

KAREN RUTH MAHLA HILLGROVE



Age 74, of Pinehurst, NC, went to her heavenly home on June 25, 2024. In her final days, she was surrounded by family and close friends in Jackson, WY. Born in Pittsburgh, PA to Ronald and Elizabeth Mahla, she was the eldest of seven children and spent her life caring for her family. Karen was a devoted mother to four daughters and four grandsons. A talented and creative homemaker, her many recipes will be made and

shared for generations to come. Family and God were the center of her life and she was the center of our lives. She was a pious Catholic and performed weekly adoration at Sacred Heart Catholic Church for over 10 years. Karen Ruth lived a life full of love, kindness, forgiveness, and service. She worked at the Pinehurst Resort for 20 years in hospitality. She is predeceased by her parents; her sister, Diane Mahla; her brother, John Mahla; and her eldest daughter, Kerriann. She leaves behind her siblings, Dick (Monica) Mahla, Sue (Steve) Cosgrove, Liz (Dan) Winters, Chuck (Lisa) Mahla; daughters, Diane Hillgrove (Eric Wood), Allyson McKinlay, Meredith (Jerome) McMillen; four blessed grandsons, Conner (Sloan) Hillgrove, Gavin McKinlay, Jack and Nolan McMillen; and 13 beloved nieces and nephews. Memorial details to follow at a later date.

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