



I felt the light of heaven
it was shining down on me,
I heard His voice, He called my name,
“my child, come follow Me;”
There is no pain, there is no hurt
nor sadness anywhere,
In heaven there is joy and love
and I’ll be waiting there;
For on the day I left this earth
I felt your many tears,
And now I watch you from above
and keep you very near;
It hurts to be apart from me, but
be patient for the day,
When we meet again in love and peace
when you too come this way.

-Stephanie Clarke

In Loving Memory of

Karen May Haskin

October 27, 1943 ~ June 14, 2025

Mass of Christian Burial

St. Margaret’s Catholic Church, Kimball, SD
10:00 a.m., Friday, October 24, 2025

Officiating

Father Richard Fox

Eulogy

Chuck Konechne

Lector

Lisa Perrier

Kathleen Tanner

Ann Richards

Gift Bearers

Norm & Len Konechne

Altar Servers

Joseph Rybak

Joshua Rybak

Music

Eileen Kroupa ~ Pianist

Becky Teichmeier ~ Cantor

Military Graveside Rites for Jerry R. Haskin

Drips American Legion Post No. 130, Kimball, SD

Interment

St. Margaret’s Catholic Cemetery, Kimball, SD

Arrangements By: Hickey Funeral Home, Chamberlain, SD

Karen May Haskin, 81, of New Orleans, Louisiana, passed away peacefully on June 14, 2025 in Durham, North Carolina at Duke University Hospice, surrounded by family. She was born on October 27, 1943 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Chamberlain, South Dakota and grew up on a farm near Kimball, South Dakota, where she developed a deep appreciation for hard work and family.

Karen moved to Omaha, Nebraska and acquired her diploma in nursing with a specialization in anesthesia. She became a dedicated nurse anesthetist, providing compassionate care to countless patients throughout her career, which she carried with her to New Orleans, Louisiana in 1975. In New Orleans, she spent the majority of her life, married to her husband, Jerry Richard Haskin MD, and raising their two children, Ashley and Jason. She was also a devoted member of the Roman Catholic Church, living her faith through both service and compassion. She took mission trips to Nicaragua with her church to support communities in need, and she also gave generously of her time and heart to help those in her own local community.

Beyond her personal and professional achievements, Karen was known for her love of tennis and her enthusiasm for watching sports of all kinds. She especially enjoyed watching her New Orleans Saints. She cherished time spent with family and friends, finding joy in the simple pleasures in life.

Karen is survived by her children, Jason Haskin (Zara Stepanyan) and Ashley Haskin Cho (Tara Cho); her grandchildren, Scarlett Haskin, Elliott Cho, and Whitt Cho; her stepchildren, Barbara Haskin and Daniel Haskin; her siblings, Norm Konechne (Sande Konechne), Anne Konechne Richards (Dennis Richards); Leonard Konechne (Linda Konechne); and Chuck Konechne (Susan Konechne); and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Ellen and Charles Konechne; her husband, Jerry Richard Haskin; and her siblings, Raymond Konechne, Marge Konechne Todd, and Mary Konechne Calvin.



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