



Karen Hardin

December 8, 1954 - March 17, 2025

Wantage - Karen Hardin, age 70, passed away on Monday, March 17, 2025 at Newton Medical Center. Born in Jersey City to the late Horace and Irene Newton, Karen grew up in Clifton before moving to Sussex County. She was employed as a medical assistant for the office of Dr. Goldfarb in Montclair for several years. While working there, Karen was very dedicated and showed a deep commitment towards all the patients. She had a huge heart and her patients had true appreciation for her. After moving to Sussex County, her passion for animals; especially horses became foremost in her life. She had a deep devotion for being involved in horse rescues and was a supporter of Mylestone Equine Rescue in Phillipsburg. Karen took pride in caring for her horses and enjoyed having the property for them. Karen also enjoyed working alongside her husband at Hardin Auto Body in Sussex, where she was the office manager before her retirement. She is survived by her devoted husband of 41 years, Laurens "Jim" Hardin; her sons, James Hardin and his fiancé Amanda of Houston, Texas and Jarrod Hardin and his girlfriend Ali Kulsar of Wantage; her daughter, Lindsay Hardin of Fairbanks, Alaska; her brother, Glenn Newton and his wife Alison of Mendham; and her cherished granddaughter, Luna. Private cremation services have been entrusted to the Pinkel Funeral Home, 31 Bank Street (Route 23), Sussex. A celebration of Karen's life will be held in the future. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Karen's memory to Mylestone Equine Rescue, 227 Still Valley Road, Phillipsburg, NJ 08865 or the Kaeli Kramer Foundation, 309 Trotting

Lane, Westbury, NY 11590. Online condolences may be offered to the family at www.pinkelfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Private Cremation Services

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUL 12. 4:00 PM (ET)

Hardin Family Residence
61 Coykendall Road
Wantage, NJ 07461

Tribute Wall

JR

“ I met Karen thru Andover A.H. when she brought in a dachschund mom with a litter of puppies who ended up being Nash’s Mom; our very 1st Dachschund before we knew it, we were going to be Dachschund-loving parents from that point on of 3 more of Karen’s beautiful Dachshunds, who we still have today❤️ She was truly a beautiful lady and will be sorely missed: my deepest condolences to her family & friends! 🙏🙏❤️

Janice Rogers - March 25, 2025 at 10:02 AM

SA

“ Our sincere condolences to the family.

Sussex Fire Dept Auxiliary - March 24, 2025 at 08:26 AM

DK

“ We were referred to Karen to look at some new Doxie pups almost 19 years ago. I remember her sense of humor, warmth, and the great love and adoration she showed towards her pets and rescues. I am shocked to learn of her passing. The rainbow bridge will be full of all her beloved fur babies and may she walk amongst the clouds with them until we meet again.

dawn kelly - March 23, 2025 at 08:07 PM

MB

“ I met Karen though the love of our horses and our doxies. She always spoke fondly of her children and how proud she was of all of them and she was always there to support everyone at the horse shows along with her sweet little Trinket. My deepest condolences to Jim and the kids, may you all find peace in knowing that she is at rest with her beloved CD, her dogs and those that passed before her. Sending love and hugs.

Missy Brucato - March 23, 2025 at 02:20 PM

CL

Karen was my friend and neighbor for over 20 years. We used to joke about seeing each other in the spring-she would be out with her horses and I'd be in my gardens. We talked about our joys, our concerns, everything under the sun. Karen was rightfully proud of her children, and she loved Jim with all her heart. We both were passionate about how much we loved our homes, and how this is the best place to be. My heart hurts thinking those days are gone. Karen was a loving, compassionate woman who loved her family and her animals without reservation. The world has lost a truly wonderful woman. To Jim and your family, my prayers are with you.

Carla Lindsay - March 23, 2025 at 07:12 PM

MP

“ I've known Karen since about 1980. We both shared our love for horses, that's how we became friends. We showed together over the years. Fond memories for sure. I remember when Karen met Jimmy and then a beautiful marriage of two beautiful people. Karen, I know you are riding CD in some Dressage events right now. R.I.P. my dear friend.

Marion T Porrino - March 23, 2025 at 01:41 PM

BD

“ Sorry for your loss sending prayers to your family Jimmy!

Bethann DeFroat - March 23, 2025 at 10:51 AM

DR

“ So very sorry for your loss Jimmy. Prayers to you and your family.

Dave Rome - March 23, 2025 at 08:35 AM

JC

“ Condolences to the entire Hardin family. We wish you all strength and healing in the coming days. The Cards.

Jon Card - March 22, 2025 at 10:12 PM

PF

“ I'm very sorry Jimmy, and the Hardin family altogether. I'm sure you already know but Karen loved all of you so much.

Phil Fabiano - March 22, 2025 at 10:01 PM

JL

“ Thoughts and prayers goes out to the entire family. Will be missed.
❤️ Jake & Colleen Little

Jake little - March 22, 2025 at 09:12 PM

RR

“ Our deepest sympathy to the family. May your memories keep her close to you always.
Bob and RuthAnn Regavich

Ruth Regavich - March 22, 2025 at 08:22 PM

LM

“ So sorry for your loss Jim.
Larry Morris

Larry Morris - March 22, 2025 at 06:23 PM



“ *Deepest condolences to you, Jimmy, and your entire family.*

Kim Cortright (Stewart) - March 22, 2025 at 05:58 PM



So very sorry for your loss Jim and to your family

Anne Gibson VanderWiele - March 22, 2025 at 07:44 PM



Sorry for you Loss Jim. May your wife Rest in Piece

Wayne Clark Jr - March 22, 2025 at 08:43 PM



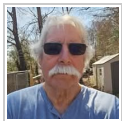
Dear Jim and family, wishing you hope and healing during this difficult time and smiles and happiness while remembering the wonderful days you all shared, with hugs and wishes that the days are fonder and your pain is lessened. Our hearts and prayers are with you, sincerely, the Gibson Family

Gibson Family - March 23, 2025 at 03:28 PM



Jim and family, So very sorry for your loss, Karen was a sweetheart! We are praying for all of you! Roy & Audrey Little

Audrey Little - March 24, 2025 at 08:20 PM



I just saw this now. Condolences Jim, so sorry. May she rest in peace.

Nelson Struck - June 03, 2025 at 03:25 AM