



Mrs. Joyce Karen Oswald

April 26, 1934 - September 9, 2017

Joyce Karen Oswald, age 83 years, passed away on September 9, 2017, in New Hampshire.

Joyce was born to Walter and Bertha Ackerman on April 26, 1934, in Hackensack, NJ and grew up in Midland Park, NJ.

Joyce Karen moved to Cairo, NY, with her three children and started a 34-year career with the Cooperative Extension Services of Greene County in 1962.

JK loved family, poetry, old buildings, and country music. After retirement, her hobbies were rebating, and antiquing, calling it “running the roads”, and knitting countless hats and gloves for needy school children. She and her husband would summer in the peninsula town of Port Clyde, Maine, at Turkey Pond, her favorite place. She loved spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, and they loved spending time with her.

Mrs. Oswald was an avid patriot, being so proud to be a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She will be best remembered for her unselfish dedication to our nation’s service men and women. JK hand packaged hundreds of necessary products, as well as comforting treats, to troops all over the world. She wanted to make sure everyone received mail from home. For Christmas, she would wrap each item in its own festive wrapping paper. For her efforts, the DAR, various chapters of the VFW as well as the local Chamber of Commerce, acknowledged her with awards of gratitude.

Joyce Karen was predeceased by her husband of 38 years.

She is survived by her three children; Walter Stout, and his wife, Teri, Valerie Eriksen and Steven Stout, and his wife, Paula. Mrs. Oswald was known as "Grandma" to seven grandchildren; Amy, Britta, Laura, Tara, Cory, Rebecca, and Joanna as well as 8 great-grandchildren.

Relatives and friends are cordially invited to attend calling hours at Richards Funeral Home, 29 Bross Street, Cairo, NY, on Friday, September 15, 2017, from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. and also on Saturday, September 16, 2017 from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. Funeral services will take place on Saturday, at 11:00 A.M. at the funeral home with Pastor Rick Snowden of The Community Life Church in Catskill, N.Y. officiating.

Interment will follow in the family plot of The Round Top Cemetery, Round Top N.Y.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Joyce Karen's memory may be made to Friends of Hyder Family Hospice House, (FHFH), 285 Country Farm Road, Dover, N.H. 03820.

Condolences may be made at www.richardsfuneralhomeinc.net.

Cemetery Details

Round Top Cemetery

South Road
Round Top, NY 12473

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **15**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Richards Funeral Home - Cairo
P.O. Box # 383
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Tribute Wall

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“ I came across this loss of Joyce Karen, never knew she had passed as i no longer live in cairo. My mother Susan McNulty and her close friend Jean Wolf have predeceased so no contact w the losses. Joyce karen taught me so much working at Cooperative Extension...she was my supervisor, and yes sometimes we would sneak off on afternoon and go to a Antique Auction. Rest in peace my.friend, teacher, trainer,sorry again for not finding out till now. God bless



Deborah Statham - October 12, 2021 at 09:03 PM

CP

“ So very sorry for your loss! I helped Joyce Karen pack the boxes and read the letters of thanks she got in return, I will miss her phone calls.,thank you all for sharing her with me, Lloyd and I both knew Ozzie too, we would meet at Milk Run for lunch, my friend Pauline and I visited them both. Bless you all. Sincerely Clara and Lloyd Potter

clara potter - September 14, 2017 at 03:34 PM

BC

So sorry for your loss joyce karen was a wonderful lady it was my please to work with her she will be missed Barbara LNA

Barbara cipriani - September 18, 2017 at 04:59 PM

CP

“ Dear Walter, Valerie, and Steven,
My sincere condolences to all three of you and your families on the loss of your mother. You were blessed to have her for so many years.
You may or may not remember that I had the honor of having you all as students in math class at Cairo(-Durham) Central School.
Caroline Benton Pflieger

Caroline Pflieger - September 14, 2017 at 10:09 AM

CF

*Dear Walter Valerie and Steven . My deepest sympathy in the loss of your Mom. I am thinking of all of you and especially Walter who my husband Freddie an I chaperoned on your class trip to Bermuda. Walter you never left us with a dull moment and it was so good to see you at your 40th clas reunion! Good memories and I mean that ! Your Mom was a very special woman in your life. Always remember her with love! RIP Joyce
My love to all her family. carol spohler*

carol spohler and family - September 24, 2017 at 11:09 PM