



Karen E. (Rice) Seiberlich

January 2, 1949 - September 16, 2020

Karen E. Seiberlich (née Rice) died unexpectedly at home in Rockville, Maryland on September 16, 2020. Karen is survived by her only son Erik M. Seiberlich, her mother Dessie Rice, sister Rhonda Rice, ex-husband Stephen Seiberlich and grandchildren Hope, Mark, and Aiden Seiberlich. She is preceded in death by her father, Wilbert Irving Rice.

Karen was born on January 2, 1949 in Morgantown, West Virginia to Dessie and Wilbert Rice. She graduated from Richard Montgomery High School. Karen went to work directly after finishing high school and continued to gain professional experience and respect as an enthusiastic, reliable, and caring employee wherever she went. Her wealth of work experience includes over 30 years work in the legal community, as a Legal Assistant, Paralegal, Notary and Client liaison and in law enforcement as a Deputy Sheriff in the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office. She also held jobs in Sales and Marketing, Accounting, Medical Insurance Sales, Real Estate and Construction. Karen is warmly remembered as an intelligent and extremely giving person who made those around her feel comfortable and secure. A memorial service for Karen Seiberlich will be coordinated by the Herod-Rishel Funeral Home in Point Marion, PA on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 10:00 am. Her urn will be buried alongside her father, Wilbert Rice, in the Little Arlington Cemetery section of Evergreen Memorial Park in Point Marion.

All are welcome to celebrate Karen's life by adding to the memory book online which will be shared with her immediate family and friends. Link: <https://www.herod-rishel.com/>

In lieu of flowers and in accordance with Karen's wishes, it is preferred that donations in Karen's memory are made to Lab Rescue LRCP, a non-profit volunteer organization that rescues, fosters, and finds forever homes for abused, neglected, and abandoned Labrador Retrievers in the states of Virginia, Maryland, West Virginia, Delaware, Pennsylvania, and North Carolina. The link for their website is: <https://www.lab-rescue.org/>.

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Memorial Park

7500 Morgantown Road
Point Marion, PA 15474

Previous Events

Graveside Service

OCT **14**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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7500 Morgantown Road
Point Marion, PA 15474

Tribute Wall

KC

“ *Kendis Campbell lit a candle in memory of Karen E. (Rice) Seiberlich*



Kendis Campbell - July 20, 2021 at 01:46 PM



“ *Carol Rice Sine lit a candle in memory of Karen E. (Rice) Seiberlich*



Carol Rice Sine - November 12, 2020 at 11:30 AM

ES

“ *I will miss my Mom more than I can express in words. My Mom loved me and cared for me, she always did everything she could to help me have a better life and I will forever be grateful for her kindness and generosity. My Mom was a genuinely kind and caring person and the world is in need of more people like my Mom. In these weeks after my Mom's passing I have been reflecting on so many memories of her and She will forever live not only in my memories, but my heart as well. Mom,I love you.*

I would like to thank all who have shared their memories and kind words in honoring my Mother. I know she touched your hearts through her kindness and friendship.

Erik Seiberlich - October 14, 2020 at 08:11 PM

PR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Philip Rishel - October 14, 2020 at 11:25 AM

JP

“ Karen what is my legal assistant since February, 2007, over 13 1/2 years ago. So many clients made a special note to tell me what a pleasure she was to meet. She got to know some clients well and they sought her out and got the help they needed. She is one of the few that enjoyed my sense of humor, especially my impersonations of some famous politicians. When I hired her, I expressed concern that her background included that she served as a Deputy Sheriff for Montgomery County, and I am a criminal defense attorney. That concern was completely unnecessary and misplaced. She proved to be very understanding and sympathetic to the plight of people charged with crimes, many of whom were innocent. She reacted in horror at some of the abuses of government committed by some judges, prosecutors, and police officers. She was disturbed at the direction our country has been taking and would have really wanted to see the outcome of the upcoming election. Karen had a wonderful sense of humor. She was just a very kind-hearted and warm person. She loves animals, and dogs in particular, especially her dog 'Jake'. She always had my back in the office, in many different ways, and with difficult people. She was beloved by my wife and children and me. We will miss her forever.

JAMES PAPIRMEISTER - October 14, 2020 at 09:53 AM

RW

“ *Randi Wortman lit a candle in memory of Karen E. (Rice) Seiberlich*



Randi Wortman - October 14, 2020 at 09:18 AM

DW

Karen was my close friend and I was hers. In the office she always had something to say to me the minute she saw me!! She never missed a beat. Whether from the awful news of the day or the cutest animal video or a photo of her new grandson. We confided in each other. She called me her Doctor, but she was mine too. Because of the Coronavirus I started working from home. I will always wish I never left my sweet friend because maybe I would have known something was wrong. I miss her so much. She was one of the smartest, funniest, and bravest and strongest women I've ever called my dearest friends. Rest in Power ol gal, we will meet again.

Dr. Randi Wortman - October 14, 2020 at 09:35 AM

YZ

“ *The Karen I had the privilege of working with for nearly ten years was intelligent, resourceful, and dedicated to fulfilling her professional responsibilities. Her ability to communicate with and help a diverse public in need of legal assistance was masterful. Her sense of humor was comforting and charming given the day to day pressures of our working environment. She cared deeply for ordinary people, those who work hard, who find it challenging to get ahead, who don't seem to be able to catch a break. It will be impossible to forget her friendship and humanity. Yitzchak Zimmerman*

Yitzchak Zimmerman - October 14, 2020 at 09:15 AM

YZ

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Yitzchak Zimmerman - October 14, 2020 at 08:51 AM

SD

“Karen worked in my husband's Law Office for over 13 years and when I joined the office four years ago we had a opportunity to work side by side. Karen was intelligent, proficient, and capable of completing a diverse variety of assignments for several attorneys. Her good natured attitude and sense of humor endeared her to many of our clients. They felt very comfortable talking with her and often asked for her when they phoned the office. Other people and attorneys in the area stopped by our office to catch up with Karen because she always made time to hear about what was going on and really listened to people. Over the years, Karen went from being an office colleague, to a member of our extended family. On occasion, she joined us for family holidays, barbecues and other outings. She became a favorite for my daughter to visit when she stopped by.

Karen took care of her elderly Mom Dessie for may years. Karen shopped, made meals and took care of medical visits for Dessie. Another member of their household was Jake, Karen's lumbering lab mix who lifted Dessie's spirits. They say you can tell how kind a person is by how their dog reacts and that was reflected in the gentle behavior of sweet Jake.

Another bright spot in Karen's life was her son Erik. She talked about his accomplishments and skills, and was very proud of his work ethic and that he was a pilot. She was also excited about Erik's son Aiden and had photos of her grandson up at the office. Most recently, she was making plans to visit Aiden in Texas over the holidays. Karen lived her life with plans and dreams of the future always in mind. She never slowed down and maybe that was how she wanted it to be.

She will be missed in the office and by our family. People keep calling the office and ask for her and emails from the friends she made over the years continue to arrive. We pray that her family and especially her son Erik find comfort in the legacy that she left behind.

- Sherry Dauerman (and James Papirmeister)

Sherry Dauerman - October 14, 2020 at 01:20 AM

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Philip Rishel - October 13, 2020 at 06:14 PM

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Philip Rishel - October 13, 2020 at 06:11 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Karen E. (Rice) Seiberlich.



October 13, 2020 at 02:42 PM

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Sherry Dauerman - October 13, 2020 at 03:15 AM