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**Karren E. Harder** 2018



Karren E. Harder, 75, of Shellsburg and who has family in our area, died Saturday, May 19, 2018.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, May 23, at the Oak Grove Church near Shellsburg with Pastor Matt Magee officiating. Interment was in the Dysart Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to Oak Grove Church, American Cancer Society, or Hospice of Mercy. Condolences may be left at: [www.phillipsfuneral-homes.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral-homes.com).

She was born Feb. 12, 1943, to David and Clara Malady McNamee near Dysart and graduated from Dysart High School in 1961. She married Larry Harder on June 17, 1962. They farmed for seven years just south of Dysart before moving to Newhall in 1970. Shortly after retirement in 2006, they moved to a condominium in Shellsburg.

Karren was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She provided daycare in her home for over 30 years and was very involved in her church – teaching Sunday School, serving as an Elder, attending Bible studies and was involved in several women's groups. She was an avid reader, loved traveling and wintering in Arizona, and had a green thumb which was evident by their beautiful yard and flowers.

In addition to her husband of 55 years, Karren is survived by her three children: Wendy-Kramer, Grinnell, Amy Schadle, Watkins, and Larry Harder, Swisher; eight grandchildren; six great grandchildren; her sister Betty Lincoln, Barrington, Ill.; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Lorraine Wesley.