



Karen Anne Matthews Sutton

August 24, 1965 - September 17, 2025

Karen Anne Matthews Sutton, at the age of 60, met her heavenly Father on September 17, 2025. She was born on August 24, 1965, to her parents, Kenneth and Yvonne Matthews. At the age of 30, she went country dancing with a group of friends and while dancing with Mark Sutton, she looked in his eyes and said, "I like you". That was the beginning of the beautiful love story of Mark and Karen, that spanned for 28 years and will last long after. They welcomed their daughter, Emma, who is the light of their lives. Her family meant absolutely everything to her; including her dogs Ammie, Chanti, and Bella. Karen loved babysitting, Jazzercise, shopping at Kohl's, bird watching, and watching her favorite show "Modern Family". She just adored socializing with friends and her love of country line dancing never wavered. Karen's love will forever remain in the hearts of everyone that dearly loves her.

Karen is survived by her loving husband of 28 wonderful years, Mark D. Sutton; her beloved daughter, Emma A. Sutton; her mother, Yvonne Matthews; and sister, Carol Matthews.

Karen is preceded by her father, Kenneth Matthews.

In honor of Karen's vibrant spirit and joyful personality, the family kindly requests that attendees refrain from wearing black. Instead, please wear bright, cheerful colors that reflect the light and love Karen brought into the

lives of those around her.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend a visitation in the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home 7738 Florida Blvd. Denham Springs, LA 70726, on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. until the Funeral Service at 11:30 a.m. Interment will follow at Louisiana National Cemetery in Zachary, LA at 2:00 p.m.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Louisiana National Cemetery

303 W Mt. Pleasant Zachary Rd.
Zachary, LA 70791

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 23. 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Brandon G Thompson Funeral Home Denham Springs
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Funeral Service

SEP 23. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Burial

SEP 23. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ To my beautiful Aunt Karen or as I know you KK.
I have pulled this up to write for days now and I don't think there is ever the right words to say in a moment like this...not to mention when it's someone close to you.. KK, you had such a beautiful smile. In every single room you walked in you always brought smiles & laughter. Over the past 31 years we have made so many wonderful memories together I truly will cherish every one of those moments. I always enjoyed coming to Naunas and everyone all together talking about the past things that have happened and the many giggles we get. I will cherish how you always pointed me in the direction of God, your love for him always made me smile ❤️ the many trips we used to make to Pikes Peek were some of the best of times! I am incredibly honored to be your niece & I can't wait to see you again, I love you very much
❤️ -Taylor

TAYLOR MATTHEWS - September 21, 2025 at 10:58 PM



“ I remember Karen was a fun and positive friend and gave me the lasting Home Remedy of drinking a hoddy toddy if I ever came down with a nasty cold or sore throat. Always a good hostess when our family came for a visit. May her memory be eternal! We'll see you later, sister Karen.

Christian Cate - September 21, 2025 at 09:26 PM

“ Dear Karen,
I have procrastinated writing this because I don't want to recognize that you are truly no longer on this earth.
But, we will meet again in our heavenly home, and oh how wonderful it will be.
What do I remember about you my friend?
You are a true friend (I say are, because as the ancient church says, we can now ask you to pray for us). You are not gone. You are heavenly present.
To continue, you are a true friend. Willing to drop what you are doing to lend a smile, your true attention, and a listening ear, or some stories or fun.
You might very well be the friendliest person I have ever met. Your friendly, amazing smile and kind eyes give your attention to friend and acquaintance alike, and make them feel special!!!
Your laugh and sense of humor are to be remembered! And oh did you love hearing a good story and also remembering funny things from the past and present!
You and I have been like grade school friends in adult bodies even though we met about 27 years ago when we were adults. We could fully act like little kids together. Fully accepting each other completely and laughing and accepting everything like little kids.
Oh how you love Mark. You also knew his steadfast committment was something you could count on. Thank you Mark for following through on this, even up to the end of her earthly life. Us Cates love you Mark!
And Karen, oh how you love Emma, and are so proud of all the things she has done, and especially of the amazing woman she has developed into. You are an amazing daughter Emma. Christian and I and Adam and Abbey are proud of you too, and love you!
Mark and Emma please remember you can ask her to pray for you. She will be watching you and cheering you on as a heavenly saint. You will see her again as well. But we are indeed SO sorry for you loss and that we don't have her physically present now!
Speaking of Saints . . . Oh how she loved the New Orleans Saints!
One time, my husband Christian and I watched a championship

game with Karen and Mark (and I think Emma, or maybe Emma was out hanging out with Abbey?). Their enthusiasm for the Saints was unmatched, fun and amazing! In fact, at one key point Karen jumped into the air and made herself into a cannon ball in mid air as she screamed for joy! Then she crashed to the floor still in the cannonball form, while also still smiling and cheering! She was not one bit hurt!

I still wonder, how does someone even do that with their body mid air, and also how was she not hurt!

Oh Karen, I look forward to the time when we are together in person, and can be like grade school kids again.

Love you good friend,

Dianna Cate

Dianna Cate - September 21, 2025 at 09:13 PM

CC

“ Christian, Dianna, Adam and Abbey Cate purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Karen Anne Matthews Sutton.



Christian, Dianna, Adam and Abbey Cate - September 21, 2025 at 06:15 PM

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“ Christian, Dianna, Adam and Abbey Cate planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Karen Anne Matthews Sutton.

Christian, Dianna, Adam and Abbey Cate - September 21, 2025 at 06:15 PM

ST

“ Sandy, Joni, Brian, Kati, Wes & Travis purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Karen Anne Matthews Sutton.



Sandy, Joni, Brian, Kati, Wes & Travis - September 20, 2025 at 06:53 PM

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“ Sandy, Joni, Brian, Kati, Wes & Travis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Karen Anne Matthews Sutton.

Sandy, Joni, Brian, Kati, Wes & Travis - September 20, 2025 at 06:53 PM

RH

“ Sorry mamma Yvonne but my most memorable time spent with Karen and Carol were when we spent the nite with y'all and we girls slipped out the windows for a bit of fun but we came back home safe. I can't believe my friend is gone this is so not fair she had a heart of gold and a smile that you could see for miles. I will miss her dearly and I will be looking to the skies for that smile, rest peacefully my friend and give your dad a hug from us we miss him too. Love you till we meet again.

Rhonda Hardison - September 20, 2025 at 11:23 AM

TS

“ To my life long friend whom I will dearly miss. It is a rare thing to have and keep a friend from childhood and Karen was not only that to me but also like a sister. We shared so many happy memories and adventures that it is too hard to pick just one to say that was the best memory. She truly was a loving and sweet person. So innocent in her own way and a true child at heart. I take comfort in knowing Karen is now in Heaven with my children and living a joyful life together. What a comforting thought that this separation is only temporary. I love you my dearest longtime friend. Till we meet again. Tanja Sekulich

Tanja Sekulich - September 19, 2025 at 01:42 PM

LT

“ My heart hurts right now. Karen always had kind words for anyone she met and a smile on her face. So many good times we shared. I loved our trips to Kohls. I remember when she rented Batman from the library and she and Joshua watched every episode over and over. She was also the person who introduced him to Modern Family. So many wonderful memories. We will miss you Karen, until we see you again. Mark and Emma, we love you guys. Let us know if you need anything.

Laurie Trueblood

Laurie Trueblood - September 18, 2025 at 05:18 PM