

Joann Karlen

Jan. 25, 1936 - May 21, 1991

Mrs. Royal (Joann) Karlen, 55, of 310 Greenview Ave., Monticello, died Tuesday, May 21, 1991 at University Hospital, Madison, following an automobile accident three weeks ago.

She was born Jan. 25, 1936 in Attica, the daughter of Alvin and Anna (Zimmerli) Petersen. She graduated in 1953 from Albany High School as valedictorian of the class.

On Oct. 17, 1984 she married R. W. "Barney" Karlen in Grapevine, Texas.

She lived in California for 28 years and was a volunteer at Upland Memorial Hospital. She was a volunteer for the cancer drive and the Boy and Girl Scouts.

Survivors include her husband, at home; a son, Wade Reese of Hermosa Beach, Calif.; a daughter, Mrs. David (Rebecca) Soper, Fremont, Calif.; a brother, Nelson Petersen, Albany; and two sisters, Mrs. Shirley Johnson, Brooklyn, and Mrs. Betty Alderson, Janesville.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Phyllis Dunphy.

Funeral services are 2 p.m. Thursday at Zwingli United Church of Christ in Monticello. The Rev. Erwin Pegel will officiate. Burial will be in Ontario, Calif.

Friends may call from 11:30 a.m. until the time of service Thursday at the church lounge.

A memorial fund has been established in her name.

Stuessy Funeral Home, Monticello, is in charge of arrangements.