



## Karen M. Rigney

November 8, 1940 - December 13, 2023

Cohoes, NY

Karen M. Rigney, 83, died peacefully at home on December 13, 2023 surrounded by her family after a brief illness. Born in Cohoes and a life long resident she was daughter of the late Warren and Madeline Connery Chicoine. She graduated from Cohoes High School and had been a self employed seamstress. She had also worked for C-R Productions at the Cohoes Music Hall as a seamstress. Karen was a communicant of Holy Trinity Parish in Cohoes. She was wife of the late John Diotte and Edmund Rigney.

Mother of Caryn Robinson, Michael Skriptshak, Mark (Stephanie) Skriptshak, Daniel (Carolyn) Skriptshak and Sandra Schnapp. Sister of Girard "Tony" Chicoine. Stepmother of Kim Diotte. Foster mother of Dawn (Frank) Grimmick. Grandmother of Brittany Farley, Michael Farley, Kira St. Andrew, Michael Schnapp, Matthew Schnapp and Austin Schnapp. Great grandmother of Everly Farley. Also survived by several other grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff of Hospice and dear friend Barbara LaMarche for their care and compassion during Karen's time of need.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 4pm from the Marra Funeral Home. Calling hours are Wednesday from 2-4 prior to services.

# Previous Events

## Service

DEC 20. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Marra Funeral Home  
246 Remsen Street  
Cohoes, NY 12047  
(518) 237-0206

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DEC 20. 4:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Sister Jackie Power lit a candle in memory of Karen M. Rigney*



Sister Jackie Power - December 19, 2023 at 08:22 PM

SP

*Karen was a volunteer sewing teacher at the Roarke Center Art Program, in the former St. Anthony School, for many years. I've known her since August 2019 when I began working with the program. She gave generously of her time to the sewing class. She was so sorry she could not teach when she got sick this past spring. It was just a few weeks ago when she said her condition was inoperable and that she definitely could not return. I will remember her kindness and generosity and I will miss talking with her. My sympathies to her family. Sister Jackie Power, CSJ*

Sister Jackie Power - December 19, 2023 at 08:37 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Karen M. Rigney.*



December 19, 2023 at 06:20 PM

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“ *The Miron's planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Karen M. Rigney.*

The Miron's - December 19, 2023 at 06:20 PM

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“ Karen and I bonded over the library. We both loved books and reading and started a book club together. But she was so much more. She was talented and generous with her time and talents - and oh, was she talented! I'll miss you, Karen. Anne Marie

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**Anne Marie Koschnick** - December 17, 2023 at 02:36 PM

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I loved spending time with Karen. She was always thinking of ways to help someone. One day i was telling her about a young boy with only a few fingers on each hand and she immediately took the clothes i had for him and replaced all closures with velcro. She then offered to always do that for his clothes. She brought such comfort to his family and to countless other people. We always had a good laugh. I will miss this wonderful soul.

*Kathy Kavanaugh*

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**Kathy Kavanaugh** - December 20, 2023 at 08:26 AM