



## Karlyn Tonjes

February 2, 1937 - December 7, 2022

Karlyn Jean Tonjes, 85, of Malinta, Ohio died peacefully on Wednesday, December 7th, 2022 at the Napoleon Lutheran Home with her family by her side. She was born February 2, 1937 in Lima, Ohio to the late William Roy and Grace Mary (Schomaeker) Place. On April 28, 1962 she married Keith Allen Tonjes at Trinity Lutheran Church, Malinta Ohio and he preceded her in death on July 14, 1993.

Karlyn attended St. Mary's Catholic School and was a 1955 graduate of Leipsic High School. She attained her degree in Cosmetology from Lima Beauty Academy.

Karlyn was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Malinta, where she played the organ for many years. She was a 58-year member of the Malinta Legion Auxiliary and held many offices. She enjoyed playing piano and reading. She had worked and retired from the Napoleon Lutheran Home after 19 years of service.

Most of all, Karlyn was a loving mother and devoted homemaker to her children: Toni (Kevin) Miller, Mark (Angela) Tonjes, Tamara (Eric) Wolf, and Joleen (Chad) Brubaker. She is also survived by grandchildren, Rachel (Drew) Spears, Zachary Tonjes, Dylan (Courtney) Tonjes, Seth Tonjes, Brock Brubaker, Jayce Brubaker, Nate Brubaker, and Elijah Wolf; great grandchildren, Addison and Wesley Spears. She was also preceded in death by a sister, Shirley Casteel, brother, Kenneth Place, and infant sister, Virginia. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, December 12, 2022 at

Emanuel Lutheran Church, Napoleon, Ohio. Interment will follow at Grelton Cemetery.

Visitation will be held on Sunday from 1-6 p.m. at Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon and Monday from 10-11 a.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Trinity Lutheran Church or South Joint Ambulance District.

Online condolences may be left for the family at [www.rodenbergergray.com](http://www.rodenbergergray.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Grelton Cemetery

Grelton, OH 43523

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 11. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Rodenberger Funeral Home - Napoleon  
1010 Westmoreland Avenue  
Napoleon, OH 43545

## Visitation

DEC 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Emanuel Lutheran Church  
Napoleon, OH 43545

## Funeral Service

DEC 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

Emanuel Lutheran Church  
Napoleon, OH 43545

# Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Tribute Video*



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**Rodenberger Funeral Home** - January 19, 2023 at 02:43 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of *Karlyn Tonjes*.



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December 10, 2022 at 05:10 PM



“ *Serene Retreat* was purchased for the family of *Karlyn Tonjes*.



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December 10, 2022 at 06:01 AM



“ *"Sending You an Angel" Statue to Express Sympathy for Funeral Or Memorial* was purchased for the family of *Karlyn Tonjes*.



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December 09, 2022 at 08:46 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karlyn Tonjes.*



December 09, 2022 at 05:05 PM



“ *Your Friends at North Star BlueScope purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Karlyn Tonjes.*



**Your Friends at North Star BlueScope** - December 09, 2022 at 12:08 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Your Mom was a sweetheart. I remember being Toni's first babysitter. You was so spoiled because Mom held you all the time. Dad & Mom went on a week end trip. I decided I'd break you of that being held and rocked while you slept. Told Grandma to turn the juke box up and we'll be fine. By time Dad & Mom returned you no longer had to be held 24/7, and went to sleep when put in your bed. ❤️ Dad was so happy he gave me a twenty dollar tip!! 🤗🤗  
And none of the rest had any trouble going to bed!!  
Love you and I'm sure Das been waiting on her.*

**Vicky Kieffer Mitchell Dannemueller** - December 08, 2022 at 02:58 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Karlyn Tonjes.



December 08, 2022 at 02:45 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Karlyn Tonjes.



December 08, 2022 at 02:21 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karlyn Tonjes.



December 08, 2022 at 07:17 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Karlyn Tonjes.



December 07, 2022 at 08:37 PM

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“ So many memories of this wonderful woman growing up and living beside her. Such a sweet person with a wonderful sense of humor and a killer recipe for an apple pie. I sometimes wonder if Jim did things just to get paid with a pie. Our thoughts, prayers and love to all of you!

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**Jim and Melisa Heitman** - December 07, 2022 at 07:24 PM