



Karen Sue Boyette

January 12, 1943 - November 27, 2025

Karen Sue Ellison Boyette, age 82, of Perryville, Arkansas, passed away on Thursday, November 27, 2025. She was born January 12, 1943, in Ada Valley, Arkansas, the daughter of Oliver Carl Ellison and Essie Faye Wroten Ellison. She was the widow of Clyde Dale Boyette after 63 years of marriage.

Karen was many things: loving, outgoing, a social butterfly, but more important, stubborn and independent. She went back to school to finish her senior year and graduate with her two oldest sons. She received a standing ovation and won the family bet of making the highest grades and won the trip to Florida. She worked as the Executive Assistant to the Principal at Perryville High School. She was everyone's Mother and loved by all. She loved her family fiercely, working in the yard with her flowers, sitting on the porch looking at the water, talking on the cell phone, and scrolling Facebook once she learned how. She loved to cook and it wasn't uncommon after church for her to feed 10-20 people. If you came by, you were guaranteed to be offered something to eat. Daddy said she was always happiest when babies were around. Her grands and greats were the light of her life.

She is survived by her three sons, Clyde Boyette, Jr. of Perryville, Anthony Boyette of Perryville, Derik (Christie) Boyette of Perryville; daughter, Susan (Jason) Boyette-Greene of Little Rock; and a nephew Michael Ellison raised as her own; seven grandchildren, Anthony Boyette II, Kaleb (Mallory) Boyette, Kalee (Crystal) Boyette, Derik Boyette II, Jordan (Kevin) Graham, Gracie (Jacob) Boyette, and McKinley (Monte) West; five great-grandchildren, Daniel

Boyette, Samuel Boyette, Sawyer Boyette, Stella Grace Boyette, and Lily Elyse Boyette; sister, Betty Kingrey of San Diego, California; and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends. Other than her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her grandson, Dillon Boyette; brothers, Millard Ellison, Willard Ellison, Billie Ellison, Edward Ellison, Jimmy Don Ellison, and Gordan Ellison; and sisters, Thelma Hickey, Ila Mae Worth, and Mary Green.

Please join us in celebrating Karen's life well lived at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, December 6, at Harmony Baptist Church, 3915 AR Highway 10, Perryville, Arkansas, with Bro. Dennis Corder and Tony Harris officiating. Burial will immediately follow at Harmony Cemetery by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton. A visitation will be held at 10:00 a.m. for friends and family.

Pallbearers will be Clyde Boyette, Jr, Anthony Boyette, Anthony Boyette II, Kaleb Boyette, Derik Boyette II, Monte West, Jacob Guy, and Shawn Taylor. We want to extend a special appreciation to the staff at Fox Ridge Senior Living Chenal for loving our sweet Momma like their own. We will be forever grateful.

Cemetery Details

Harmony Cemetery

3195 Highway 10 E.
Perryville, AR 72126

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Harmony Baptist Church
3195 Highway 10 E.
Perryville, AR 72126

Funeral Service

DEC 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Proverbs 31 best describes Karen Boyette. She loved her Family fiercely & was so good to me always. She had strength & wisdom & I admired her greatly. She once told me she wouldn't get any rest until the Lord took her Home... & now that He has I just want to say I was privileged to know her for the last 27 years.*



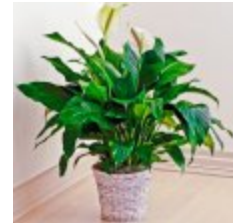
I look forward to seeing her beautiful smile again...

May Christ Jesus comfort the Boyette Family with Peace always..

Kim Fryer - December 13, 2025 at 10:18 PM

MF

“ *Millsap Family purchased the Floor Plant for Sym pathy for the family of Karen Sue Boyette.*



Millsap Family - December 05, 2025 at 12:20 PM

MF

“ *Millsap Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Karen Sue Boyette.*

Millsap Family - December 05, 2025 at 12:20 PM

AG

“ Ann Marie Gibbs purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Karen Sue Boyette.



Ann Marie Gibbs - December 05, 2025 at 09:16 AM

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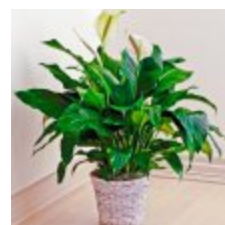
“ Ricky Finkbeiner purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Karen Sue Boyette.



Ricky Finkbeiner - December 04, 2025 at 03:17 PM

SF

“ Scott, Lisa, Aaron, Tanner, and Faith purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Karen Sue Boyette.



Scott, Lisa, Aaron, Tanner, and Faith - December 04, 2025 at 08:23 AM



“ Calm & Comfort Bouquet for Sympathy - Florist Choice was purchased for the family of Karen Sue Boyette.



December 03, 2025 at 10:18 PM

RP

“ Robert & Carol Price purchased the Multicolor Bright Sympathy Basket for the family of Karen Sue Boyette.



Robert & Carol Price - December 03, 2025 at 08:34 AM

JE

“ I only knew you a short while but so enjoyed learning about you and your family..Susan your such a beautiful person..so happy I came to know you a bit ..your a lovely young lady..and clyde we used to sing at nursing homes ..it was a joy to get to know you a bit

Jackie Ellison - December 01, 2025 at 07:00 PM



“ White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Karen Sue Boyette.



November 29, 2025 at 11:11 PM

VF

“ Karen was a very special lady, I have a lifetime of memories of her.. and nearly everyone of them
Have that beautiful smile on her face!
Love and prayers for her family. I love you all,
Val

Val Frith - November 29, 2025 at 08:22 PM

KC

“ I loved her so much!! One of these days I will tell you guys a a story about her car!!

Kate Cole - November 29, 2025 at 08:13 PM

KR

“ I have known Karen since I was a teenager in the 60,s, when her parents lived in a house with a big rock porch in Thornburg across from our store. Always a smile, years went by but Karen seemed to never change. I know she will be missed, prayers for all her family

kathy rankin - November 29, 2025 at 07:34 PM

BK

“ What can I say about my little sister. She was kind Loving very giving sweet the last thing she gave me was a Robe I will keep it and treasure it. I will miss her but I am so happy she is no longer in pain and suffering she is with Jesus. Love you Sister Karen will miss you everyday until we meet one day in Heaven. Your sister Betty.

Betty Ellison Kingrey - November 29, 2025 at 02:19 PM