



Bruce Karber

October 16, 1938 - January 14, 2026

Bruce Karber, 87 years, 2 months and 29 days of Magnolia, TX; passed away on Wednesday; January 14, 2026 in The Woodlands, TX. Bruce's life will be celebrated at 11AM on Monday; January 19, 2026 at Day Funeral Home with the burial to follow at Park Cemetery. Visitation is scheduled to begin at 10AM prior to the service. Bro. Nathan Hoke will officiate.

Bruce was born on October 16, 1938 in Madisonville, TX to John Dave Karber and Eunice Lois (Wilson) Karber. He attended Madisonville High School, then proudly served his country in Korea as a US Army specialist 4 military policeman. Bruce married Mary Schlesinger in 1957 and raised his family in New Jersey. He worked as a milkman for many years but longed to move back to his Texas roots.

In 1978, he moved to Magnolia, Texas, and worked as a jeweler in Houston with his brother Randell at Karber's Fine Jewelry, and later Bruce worked for IW Marks Jewelers. After retirement, Bruce returned to his farming roots by opening a worm farm in Conroe, TX. He raised worms for conservation and fishing. He became well-known for Decker Worm Sales and shipped worms all over the country.

Bruce enjoyed spending time with family, fishing, gardening, reading, and especially playing guitar.

Bruce was preceded in death by his parents; his wife of over fifty years, Mary Isobel (Schlesinger) Karber; his brothers, Kenneth Karber (Betty) and Randell Karber (Carolyn); his sister-in-law, Annette Karber, his brother-in-law, Carl

Thurman; and his long-time companion, Jackie Rogers.

Bruce is survived by his children, Mark Karber (Alfonsina) and Judy Nowlin (Randy); his grandchildren, Joshua Richardson (Tara), Zachary Richardson (Angie), and Kayla Sanders (Cody); his great grandchildren, Malaki, Isabelle, Titus, and Silas Richardson and Andrew and Autumn Sanders; his brothers, Harvey Karber and Billy Karber (Nita); his sister, Donna Thurman; many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Serving as pallbearers are: Joshua Richardson, Zachary Richardson, Jon Travitz, Bart Karber, Malaki Richardson, and Cody Sanders. Serving as honorary pallbearers are: Mark Karber, Randy Nowlin, Harvey Karber, Billy Karber, and Steve Thurman.

Cemetery Details

Park Cemetery

Madisonville, TX

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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