



Mr. Mark Leslie Karlberg

June 19, 1945 - December 12, 2023

Mr. Mark Leslie Karlberg, 78, of Becket, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, December 12, 2023. Born in Trenton, NJ, on June 19, 1945, the son of the late John and Dorothy Klenk Karlberg, he graduated from Northern Burlington County Regional High School and later from Lehigh University in Bethlehem, PA.

Mark was a Senior Field Engineer for Fire Control Systems aboard SSBNs located around the globe and the USA. He started his career with GE Ordnance Systems and retired from General Dynamics after 47 years of dedicated service. Mark then worked for several years after his retirement as a front-end clerk at The Big Y in Lee, where he enjoyed meeting and helping the customers.

Mark is survived by his beloved wife of 35 years, Karen Burns Karlberg, and their menagerie of pets; 3 llamas, 8 chickens, 3 cats and a dog. He leaves behind his sister Suzanne Karlberg Mello of Bethlehem PA and his cousin, Carla Meehan-Cooke of Williamstown. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his siblings John, Paul, David and Joan Karlberg.

Mark served as a Selectmen for the town of Becket and on the Town's Finance Committee for many years. He is described by those who knew him

as a kind, quiet, caring and good man. Mark enjoyed spending time at the home he and Karen made into their sanctuary in Becket; they spent time together watching the birds, wildlife and reading science fiction books while sitting on the deck overlooking their backyard on Shaw Pond for the past 40 years.

Funeral Notice:

Mark will be honored at a Memorial Service on Saturday, December 30, 2023 at 10 am, held at Dwyer Funeral Home, located on North Street in Pittsfield, MA. There will be a burial ceremony later in the spring of 2024 at West Becket Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Mark's memory can be made to Berkshire Humane Society or The Audubon Society in care of the Dwyer Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Service

DEC **30**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Dwyer Family Funeral Home
776 North Street
Pittsfield, MA 01201
(413) 442-5094
info@dwyerfuneral.com
<https://www.dwyerfuneral.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ Love, Your Dream Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Mark Leslie Karlberg.

Love, Your Dream Team - December 28, 2023 at 09:08 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Mark Leslie Karlberg.



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“ Jackie, Wayne, Ted, Melissa and Sean planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Mark Leslie Karlberg.

Jackie, Wayne, Ted, Melissa and Sean - December 27, 2023 at 03:37 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Mark Leslie Karlberg.



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“ Dear Karen, I'm so sorry for your loss. I always enjoyed meeting up with Mark for my egg deliveries before the Covid shut down. May his memory be a blessing. Love, Andrea Sholler

andrea sholler - December 23, 2023 at 07:44 AM

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“ I have known the Karlbergs for about 40 years and served with Mark on the Becket Finance Committee for several years. He was always informed and dedicated in his efforts. He was also a good friend who always found time to advise or support. He adored Karen and they created a wonderful island of peace and wildlife around their home near the lake. Rest in Peace, dear friend.

Ann Spadafora - December 20, 2023 at 04:17 PM