



## Paula Anne Karleskint

July 14, 1934 - September 5, 2020

Paula Anne Karleskint, went to be with our Lord and her heavenly family on Saturday, September 5, 2020 in Lakewood Ranch, FL. Born July 14th, 1934 in Muskogee, Oklahoma, she was one of six children with four younger sisters and one older brother. She graduated from Muskogee Central High School and attended the University of Virginia and Hillcrest Nursing School in Tulsa, Oklahoma where she earned her diploma in nursing.

While attending nursing school, she married Charles John Doran and had one daughter. When his untimely death left her a widow and expecting her second child, she completed nursing school with two young daughters and the assistance of her sisters, mother and grandmother. In July 1958, she married Albert John Karleskint and had four more children. Raising her family in Tulsa, Oklahoma where Albert practiced as a Dentist.

She loved nursing and worked as a nurse after her children started school, she also was an avid volunteer, with such organizations as Neighbor for Neighbor, Meals on Wheels, Student Exchange Group which many students from Mexico joining their family, Red Cross providing emergency assistance after floods and tornadoes, in addition with many other charities and groups. She was an active member of Resurrection Parish in Tulsa in addition to exposing her children to various churches throughout Tulsa so that they could understand that our Lord was present for all people.

Left to cherish her memory are her six children, Ann Davis, Robin Karleskint, Julie Karleskint (Richard Yunker), John Karleskint, Michael Karleskint (Jane)

and Matthew Karleskint (Jo Ellen) and 18 grandchildren, Amy Moore (Omar), Joseph Davis (Bettina), Andrea Maras (Lucas), Ashley DeRomanis (Jeremy), Alyssa Davis, Jonathan Davis, Aaron Karleskint, Adam Karleskint, Nathaniel Yunker, Samuel Yunker, Gavin Karleskint, Anthony Karleskint, Rachel Karleskint, Allyson Karleskint, her sisters Ellen Jacobs, Katherine Browne, Leda Conner (Ralph), Elizabeth Clary (Beau), sister-in-law Barbara Beshara (Joe) and her many nieces, nephews and other friends.. In addition to thirteen great grand children and two great great grandchildren. She is met in heaven by her husband Albert John Karleskint, her mother Mary Francis Diffendaffer, father Phillips Ralston Brooks, brother Phillips Ralston Brooks II, great grandmother Doris Ellen Paul, great grandfather, Carl Edward Paul in addition to many other friends and family. A life well lived and loved by many.

There will be a celebratory mass on September 26, 2020 at 10 AM at the church at the church of Saint Mary 1347 E. 49th Pl., Tulsa, OK Donations in her memory may be made to the Tidewell Foundation, 5955 Rand Boulevard, Sarasota, FL 34238 or at <https://tidewellhospice.org>

# Tribute Wall

JD

“ *Grandma- Your smile was contagious, you were a beautiful grandmother, servant leader to the community of Tulsa, and more than anything a fighter! Watching you overcome so many challenges throughout life yet persevering through them all showed the grit you had! Thank you for taking care of us, being there for us, and showing compassion and support for anything we set our minds out to accomplish. You showed us that ALL PEOPLE ARE VALUED! Being there for all highlights that kids face and dreams to achieve is something I will never forget. I love you and miss you miss! I aoes ya admired your and papa's relationship, trips in the plane, adventures around the world, and how you put others first always! Jesus has been by your side this whole time and we are thankful for him bringing you home! Keep heaven and our surrounding angels in line, until then I look forward to seeing you again! Love you dearly! We're lucky to call you grandma/Mimi* ❤️❤️  
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**Joseph Davis** - September 10, 2020 at 05:34 PM

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*Mom, you will be missed greatly, You passed down those great values of integrity, morals and values. You showed us how to love all God's people and creatures, You let us have lots of pets. You taught me to cook and clean at an early age so I could be Mama's little helper, by teaching me to cook, and take care of my younger siblings. And then you would write nice notes to me, for helping you and put them under my pillow. You taught me how to go through the thick and the thin of life..And never give up. You were there for me, during having my 6 children, Going through college and babysitting my children especially my last 2, so I could work dayshift, days history, 5 yrs you saved me tons of daycare. You taught me how to volunteer at neighbor for neighbor free health clinic, and I went with you many times to help you with meals on wheels. You taught me to respect every human being. You loved serving others. I loved being in your plans when you planned parties. You did them as good as Granny not leaving any detail out. I loved hearing your nursing stories. And all our long talks. You were so fun to hang out with, going to arts and craft festivals, shopping. And the Christmas festivities. I always loved our Colorado vacations, we went on as a family. I, I'll never forget the Jesus tent revival meetings you took all of us kids to. And I thought you were crazy, But now I, I, eternally grateful for those meetings. I just don't know where I would have been without you after my divorce, you were always there for me and my children paying for things we couldn't afford. I don't know where I'd be today if I hadn't had help from you and Jesus. You were truly the best I know you're looking down on us and can't wait to see you again.*

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**AnnDavis** - September 11, 2020 at 04:22 AM

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*“ I miss you Mom. Your smile and kindness towards others will be missed. I hope you are in a better place and will be there to greet me when it is my turn to go. Love you always. Matthew.*

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**Matthew Karleskint** - September 10, 2020 at 03:49 PM