



Dr. Karen J. Harshman died at Kaiser Hospital in Ontario on Jan. 22, 2019, at the age of 79.

Karen is survived by her husband of 59 years, Robert L. Harshman; daughter, Kristyn Coulson; two grandchildren, Robert and Matthew Coulson; and sister, Margaret Hendrickson, of Grand Rapids, MN. Karen is preceded in death by her twin sons, Robert Steven and Jeffery Scott.

Karen was born on March 10, 1939 in Eveleth, MN to Harold and Florence Johnson. She graduated from Utah State University where she met and married her husband, Robert, six weeks after meeting on a blind date. In 1962, following graduation, they moved to Fontana, where her husband was employed by Kaiser Steel. In California, Karen went on to receive her Masters Degree from Chapman University and a Doctorate Degree in education in 1984 from the University of La Verne.

Karen had a long and successful career in education, starting as a Fontana Unified School District substitute teacher and retiring in 2003 as the superintendent of the district.

A memorial service was scheduled for 10 a.m. on Jan. 30, 2019 at Montecito Memorial Chapel in Colton. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Karen's life.