



ALUMNI PROFILE

KAREN (LEE) WICKENS

1948-1956

Karen Anne Lee Wickens attended Saint Brigid Catholic School from 1948 to 1956. She had been baptized at St. Brigid Catholic Church previously in 1941. She earned a Bachelor of General Studies from U of M, a Master of Theological Studies from Harvard University, and a Doctor of Theology from Harvard University with a dissertation in military ethics. She feels that God has always been with her and that Saint Brigid set her on the right path. She worked at several hospitals including St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor, MI, at St. Vincent Memorial Hospital in Los Angeles, CA, at the University of California Medical Center, San Francisco, CA, and Illini Hospital in Silvis, IL, and Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, FL. Karen established and maintained a project of purchase of historical aboriginal lands located in Arizona and deeding them over to appropriate Native American tribes. She was a Chief Warrant Officer in the military and served as a counterintelligence agent in assignments in Asia, South America, Europe, and the US. Karen was highly decorated and received a legion of merit award, a meritorious service medal, three army commendation medals, two good conduct medals, three reserve components achievement medals, two national defense service medals, a global war on terrorism service medal, a Korea defense service medal, an Armed Forces service medal, an armed forces reserve medal, a NATO medal, and a Joint Meritorious Unit Award. After her military retirement, Karen joined the Arizona Rangers and volunteers for security services at rodeos, horse shows, and art festivals in Arizona.

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