

Karen attended the University of Wisconsin – Stout, majoring in fashion merchandising. In the early 1970's, she relocated to Denver, Colorado, where she worked in the technology sector for several major computer companies in administrative management and sales support roles. Karen then made a successful career change, transitioning to the real estate sector in both residential and commercial, handling property management for the most prominent developer in Denver. In 2004, Karen and her husband relocated to Florida, where she returned to her love of fashion merchandising, working with several unique specialty fashion houses. Karen retired in 2015 and moved to Aiken, South Carolina, in 2020. Since moving to Aiken, Karen has spent considerable time working with local non-profits, including Halfway to Heaven Mustang Rescue.