



Ann Elizabeth Welch

April 29, 1935 - April 19, 2016

Ann Elizabeth Welch, beloved aunt, sister, neighbor, and friend, passed away peacefully in her home on April 19, 2016. She was 80 years old.

Ms. Welch enjoyed a 43 year career at the Corporate State Farm offices in Bloomington, where she was in the Purchasing Department. Ever active, she played slow-pitch softball, bowled regularly in leagues, was an avid Cardinals baseball fan, and enjoyed travelling to watch the ISU Lady Redbirds play basketball. One of her greatest joys was her love of travel, most particularly to Colorado and Wyoming to see her family.

Born on April 29, 1935, in Ramsey, IL, she was the daughter of Jesse Welch and Carmen Adams. She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Robert and John, and a sister, Margaret (Margie Mills).

She leaves behind two sisters, Bessie O' Dell of Greeley, CO, and Donna Hames of Vandalia, IL, as well as many cherished nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, and two very dear friends, Jean Davison and Carol Prochnow, of Bloomington.

Arrangements are incomplete.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Guardian Angels

Elder Care, Inc, or the Trinity Lutheran Church of Bloomington Illinois.

Cemetery Details

Buchanan Cemetery

3090 N 1600 E
Bowling Green Township, Fayette, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 3. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Wallace-Carroll Funeral Home
101 N Broadway
Herrick, IL 62431
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Service

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Tribute Wall

JR

“ We want to express our condolences. May these scriptures bring you comfort and hope Isaiah 25:8 "He will swallow up death forever,And the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces. The reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,For Jehovah himself has spoken it." And Isaiah 26:19 "Your dead will live.My corpses will rise up.Awake and shout joyfully,You residents in the dust! For your dew is as the dew of the morning." As it did our family during our time of loss.

JR

J Rivera - July 06, 2016 at 01:01 PM

LE

“ My sincerest sympathies to Jean, Carol, and to Ann’s most cherished family.



Loved that lady. Ann was my mentor long before it was the popular buzz-word it is today. She taught me all I needed to know at work and I think a large part of who I am today is most sincerely because of her!

I remember her “chair”, her cubicle becoming a giant slot machine, our hillbilly country serenades, updates and pictures of the nieces and nephews, tea- tea- and tea, and the even the dreaded post-it, “see aw”. I remember her taking my single quarter on her trips and usually coming home with quite a return on my investment. □

Even though her retirement and my job took us different directions I still stayed connected with Ann, even if only a Christmas card... and I ALWAYS made sure hers was “addressed” in the proper manner - I’m just sure she checked it! :)

*Thank you Ann! I’m sure all those whose lives you touched carry on some part of your legacy! That is the greatest compliment anyone could hope for to be admired and imitated and thus never forgotten!
-Peace Ann*

*Most Sincerely,
Leslie (Penney) Peterson*

Leslie - April 28, 2016 at 09:08 AM

PC

“ I met Ann 33 years ago in the Purchasing dept at State Farm. We worked together until her retirement. I always respected her knowledge and expertise. She was a "tough cookie" but was as kind as they come! She was patient with me and taught me so much. I have fond memories of working with Ann.

Ann will be missed by so many people who knew her. Your body is now healed and you are in a much better place.

Peggy (Preston) Courtney

Peggy Courtney - April 28, 2016 at 08:54 AM

JD

“ Jean Davison lit a candle in memory of Ann Elizabeth Welch



Jean Davison - April 27, 2016 at 07:10 PM

JD

What can I say after almost 59 years of friendship? From the day we first met we always seemed to be able to find something fun to do. Although I wasn't a traveler like Ann, we did cover a lot of miles together -- country music shows in Nashville, a trip to Hawaii to visit my brother's family and many other short trips. Her love of sports took us to baseball games (she even converted me from Cubs to Cardinals!), and a lot of sporting events for Olympia High School for my nieces and nephews. Since Ann didn't have relatives in the Bloomington/Normal area, she was "adopted" many years ago by my family and we all loved her dearly.

When Ann retired from State Farm, she was given the chair she had used for many years with a sign on the back that said "Ask Ann". And that's all you had to do -- just ask, and whatever it was she was ready and willing to help you.

While your passing leaves a big empty space in my life, I know that you are in a better place and are once again healthy and can see those bright blue skies and puffy white clouds that you loved so much. Rest in peace.

Jean Davison - April 27, 2016 at 08:07 PM

BN

“ *My thoughts & prayers go out to all Ann's family, she was a very special person. She will be missed by many people.. I am sorry I can not make it back for her services..*

A truer friend you cannot find, than that of my friend Ug (Ann). She was always there when you needed her, no matter what.. We always had a good time, no matter what we were doing, (playing softball, bowling, driving Go-Carts, trips, bus trips to see the Cards play, fishing, Country shows, ice skating, of course gambling, & specially celebrating our B'Day) for over 50 yrs. & no "cat fights" between us. WOW!

After I moved to Calif. & would go visit she would usually pick me up, so we could spend the nite, & gamble on the way home, & loan me her car or truck to drive.. A better person would really be hard to find..

I will miss those Blue Eyes & her wicked smile, when teasing, & those crazy B'Day cards. April 29 will be sad B'Day's for me now. I miss ya Ug..

BJ Nutt - April 26 0350 AM

BJ Nutt - April 26, 2016 at 07:28 AM

BN

“ *Betty Nutt lit a candle in memory of Ann Elizabeth Welch*



Betty Nutt - April 26, 2016 at 06:10 AM

RL

“ Roger E. Lebon sent a virtual gift in memory of Ann Elizabeth Welch



Roger E. Lebon - April 24, 2016 at 07:01 PM



“ Susie Billingsley lit a candle in memory of Ann Elizabeth Welch



Susie Billingsley - April 24, 2016 at 03:13 PM



“ Ann was always like a second mother to me! I have known her all my life and she has always been there for me and my family. I always loved it when she would babysit me and my brother....we would get to play games and have lots of fun with her. I love her with all my heart and she will be missed dearly!

Susie Billingsley - April 24, 2016 at 03:12 PM

DO

“ I remember when we were kids it was always exciting when Aunt Ann would come to visit because we always got to go to the movies and see the current Disney film! Love her "blue eyed" niece Deb

Debra O'Dell - April 22, 2016 at 01:05 AM