



Donald John Welke

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Donald John Welke 71 of Eustis passed away in The Villages on Thursday October 1, 2009. He was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and moved to Eustis from Casselberry in 1980. Mr. Welke was retired from the United States Postal Service and had served as the Postmaster for Grand Island, Florida, he was also a former officer in the Florida Post Master Association and was the Past President of the Spina Bifida Association of Central Florida. Mr. Welke was an avid auto racing fan attending several Indianapolis 500s and the last Daytona race on the beach and the first Daytona 500. He was also a Green Bay Packer fan and an active table tennis player, a member of the Smart Car Club of the Villages and loved to travel the world. He was a Veteran of the United States Navy, a member of Eustis Lodge 1578 B.P.O.E. and of St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic Church of Eustis. He is survived by his wife of 49 ½ years Maryann, his children, Cynthia (Frank) Fogarty of Sorrento, Brian (Teresa) Welke of Eustis, Paul Welke Hathcox of Tavares and Georgeta Welke of Eustis, his grandchildren Frank Fogarty, Caitlin Fogarty, Christopher Welke and Alexander Welke his brother Marvin Welke of Brookfield, Wisconsin and his stepmother Elizabeth Welke of Brookfield, Wisconsin. The family requests memorials to Mt. Dora Lions Club Ritterband Foundation, P.O. Box 131, Mt. Dora, Florida 32756 or the St. Vincent DePaul Society at St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic Church of Eustis. Friends called at the Hamlin & Hilbish Chapel on Monday, October 5. The Funeral Mass was held in St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic Church of Eustis on Tuesday, October 6, 2009 with interment following in Greenwood Cemetery, Eustis.



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Anonymous posted:

This is a painful time for you and your family but we would like to send our thoughts of deep sympathy. May you continue to endure these days with the help of Almighty God (Ps.147:3) and loving friends. Mr. Welke touched the lives of others and will be sadly missed.##imported-begin##The Kindred Family##imported-end##

November 15 at 3:38 AM



Anonymous posted:

Don was such a lovely person to know and be with. We are so sorry for your loss and will pray for you and your family.##imported-begin##Carol Sauer and Bill Conner##imported-end##

October 7 at 12:21 PM



Anonymous posted:

I am sorry I could not attend Don's service. Don worked for me at the CasselberryPO and was one of the best employees we had. I was very proud of him when he got the promotion to Postmaster. We will miss him and his great efforts he put forth to help others. God Bless You All,Bob Kelly##imported-begin##ROBERT D. KELLY##imported-end##

October 6 at 8:58 AM



Anonymous posted:

Maryann and family:My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Don was a wonderful husband and father. God Bless##imported-begin##Linda Michner##imported-end##

October 5 at 4:06 PM



Anonymous posted:

MaryAnn, My heart goes out to you at this tragic time. I am not able to attend the services as I am in North Carolina, but my thoughts and prayers are for you and your family at this sad time. Sincerely, Linda##imported-begin##Linda Mohring##imported-end##

October 5 at 9:39 AM



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Anonymous posted:

Was so sorry and shocked to hear of Don's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Maryann and your family.##imported-begin##Pat and Art Bowker##imported-end##

October 5 at 7:51 AM



Anonymous posted:

Thinking of the family during this very difficult time and praying for peace and comfort.##imported-begin##Holly Stratton##imported-end##

October 5 at 6:48 AM



Anonymous posted:

On behalf of St Thomas Episcopal Church ECW, Eustis, I would like to express our deepest sympathy to Maryanne and her family. May God bless you.SincerelyTrish IgnaoPresident ECW##imported-begin##St Thomas Episcopal Church ECW, Eustis##imported-end##

October 5 at 6:26 AM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Maryanne,I just wanted to let you know you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.Sincerely,Gina Lindsey##imported-begin##Gina Lindsey##imported-end##

October 4 at 12:30 PM



Anonymous posted:

On behalf of the Lake Dora Women's Club, I want to express our sincere sympathy to Maryanne and her family during this sad time. You are in our thoughts and prayers.Sincerely,Gina LindseyCorresponding Secretary##imported-begin##Regina Lindsey##imported-end##

October 4 at 12:28 PM



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Anonymous posted:

I've known Don & Maryann through both The Villages Table Tennis club & The Villages Sheepshead club. Both have shone themselves to be kind & considerate people. On Oct 1 Don, I and several others played table tennis from 11:30 to 1pm when I left to go home. We all had great fun talking & laughing about the shots during the game. A real happy fun time for all of us including Don. Don will be missed!!! Be prepared to meet The Lord like Don!! We never know how much time we have!!!
##imported-begin##Chuck Jaeger##imported-end##

October 4 at 10:35 AM



Anonymous posted:

May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.
##imported-begin##Carl & Jean Thomas##imported-end##

October 4 at 10:09 AM



Anonymous posted:

I was sad to hear of Don's passing. I really enjoyed playing sheepshead and cribbage with him. My deepest condolences to all of his family.
##imported-begin##Clark Greehling##imported-end##

October 4 at 8:51 AM



Anonymous posted:

Maryann, we were so sorry to read of Don's passing. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.
##imported-begin##Carla & B.E. Thompson##imported-end##

October 4 at 6:43 AM



Anonymous posted:

Mariann and family,- Our Deepest Sympathies go out to you. You are in our thoughts and prayers. May God give you much comfort during this time. And know, we are your friends and are close to you.
##imported-begin##Pat and Don Pierce##imported-end##

October 3 at 6:18 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are will you all. Donald will be sadly missed by those lucky enough to have know him. xx##imported-begin##Maxine Mostyn##imported-end##

October 3 at 8:59 AM



Anonymous posted:

It is so hard to let someone go who means so much to so many people. Let memories warm your heart every time you are feeling a loss.With Deepest Sympathy,Sylvia and Don##imported-begin##Sylvia and Don Barto##imported-end##

October 3 at 8:22 AM



Anonymous posted:

##imported-begin##Kimberly Parker##imported-end##

October 3 at 7:33 AM



Anonymous posted:

My heart goes out to Maryann and her family. Donald will be sorely missed but never forgotten. He will live in a part of our hearts forever.##imported-begin##Jennifer Volkmar##imported-end##

October 3 at 7:01 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Donald by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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