



Roylyn Colleen (Medlock) Welch

February 22, 1939 - March 20, 2024

Roylyn Medlock Welch was born February 22, 1939, in Hayden, Colorado, to Charles Velmer Maynard and Erma Woodworth Maynard. Erma died in childbirth with Roylyn, so she and her older sister Valerie (Raulston) were adopted by Roy and Jessie Medlock.

Most of her childhood and adolescence was spent in Salem, Missouri. She graduated from Salem High School in 1957, and on August 4, 1957, married her high school sweetheart, Earl Welch. Earl had enlisted in the Air Force, so they moved to Dover, Delaware to begin their life together.

Four years later, when Earl finished his duty with the Air Force, they moved back to Salem, Missouri where she lived the rest of her life.

Roylyn was truly a partner in her marriage to Earl, taking care of their family, scrimping, and saving to buy their farm which had been a dream since they were married. She gardened, canned, sewed, raised chickens, helped with the cows, gave piano and organ lessons, taught Sunday School, Bible School, worked in the nursery and her favorite activity, sharing her gift of music by playing organ for Sunday evening services at First Baptist Church, Salem, Missouri, where she was a member her entire life.

As a mother she was always willing to play the newest board game with the

kids, read to them regularly, making each of them avid readers as well. She was a regular patron of the Salem Public Library, checking out many books every week and devouring them in any free time she had. She enjoyed crafts, learning new skills, and passing on those lessons to her children when they were interested.

After the kids were gone, she started working at numerous jobs including a home health aide, tax preparer, and finally a clerk at MFA where she retired after several years.

She enjoyed traveling with the family on many vacations and would go on trail rides with Earl when time permitted. She loved museums and history and she and Marietta would wear out their family's patience due to wanting to read everything on display!

Her passion for reading has been passed on to her children and grandchildren along with her persistence to keep going even when the odds seemed stacked against her.

Roylyn entered eternal rest March 20, 2024, in Salem, Missouri, at the age of eighty-five years. She is survived by her loving children: Marietta Morhardt of Omaha, NE, Chris (Terrie) Welch of Salem, MO, and Tom Welch of Salem, MO; grandchildren: Brandon (Diana) Welch of Salem, MO, Megan Delmain of Salem, MO, Jacob (Ally) Welch of Fenton, MO, Richard Morhardt of Norfolk, NE, Joe Camden (Allee) of Springfield, MO, and Kayla Welch of Ashland, MO; eleven great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews, along with great-nieces, and great-nephews; brother-in-law: Jim (Bernie) Welch of St. James, MO; sister-in-law: Melba Seelke of Salem, MO; her biological sister: Jeanne Loucks of Broomfield, CO; extended family and dear friends.

Preceding her in death was her beloved husband: Earl Welch; sister: Valerie

Raulston; brothers-in-law: Bill Raulston and Don Seelke; daughter-in-law: Davida Welch; and her parents: Roy and Jessie Medlock.

Roylyn is now with her beloved Earl and can now rest and be at peace. She will be forever missed by those who loved her most.

Funeral Services for Roylyn (Medlock) Welch were held Monday, March 25, 2024, in the Wilson Mortuary Salem Chapel with Pastor Joel Hayworth officiating. Special Music was provided by Greg and Jamie Hitt. Serving as Pallbearers were Jacob Welch, Landon Welch, Brandon Welch, Richard Morhardt, Roy Raulston, and Joshua Delmain. Honorary Pallbearers were Dudley Raulston, Robert Seelke, and Joey Camden. Burial was in the North Lawn Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Wilson Mortuary of Salem, Missouri.

Memorial Contributions may be made in memory of Roylyn Welch to the Salem Public Library and left with Wilson Mortuary. Memorial Envelopes will be available.

Online Condolences may be entered at www.wilsonmortuary.com

Cemetery Details

North Lawn Cemetery

Salem, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 25. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Wilson Mortuary - Salem
1000 West Scenic Rivers Blvd.
Post Office Box 45
Salem, MO 65560
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Funeral Service

MAR 25. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry for your loss. Your folks were some of the most kindest people a person could ever know. God's blessings on you all. John T. and Penni (McClellan) Bouwers

Penni Bouwers John T Bouwers - May 05, 2024 at 06:43 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Roylyn Colleen (Medlock) Welch.



March 21, 2024 at 12:54 PM

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“ Sympathy and condolences to you Chris Welch and family. So sorry to hear of your loss!
Bob & Jerolyn Edwards

Robert Edwards - March 20, 2024 at 06:52 PM

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“ Marietta, Chris, and Tommy so sorry to her about Aunt Roylyn. I remember going to your farm and ride horses, Christmas' and Grandma Pankeys and going to Grandma Flossie's. Aunt Roylyn was the first person to give us Captain Crunch Cereal. Still like it.

Robin Norton - March 20, 2024 at 05:09 PM