



Duane Francis Welton

December 17, 1928 - June 3, 2022

Duane Francis Welton, age 93, of Mattoon, IL passed away at 12:01 AM, Friday, June 3, 2022, at Odd Fellow-Rebekah Home in Mattoon, IL.

A funeral mass in his honor will be held at 10:30 AM, Monday, June 6, 2022, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 320 N. 21st Street, Mattoon, IL 61938. A committal service will immediately follow at Calvary Cemetery in Mattoon, IL with Military Rites performed by Mattoon VFW Post 4325. The visitation will be held from 9:00 AM until the time of service at the church. Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938 is in charge of services.

Duane was born on December 17, 1928, to the late Clarence Andrew and Elizabeth "Ella" (Stuckey) Welton. He married Mary Nanette "Nan" Rowe on April 24, 1954, in Mattoon, IL. She preceded him in death May 5, 2019. He is survived by his four children: Mark Welton and wife Kim of Mattoon, IL, Gary Welton and wife Ellen of Effingham, IL, Ann Jarvis of Effingham, IL and Susie Messman and husband Steve of Philo, IL; eight grandchildren: Laura Welton of Mattoon, IL, Hillary Ellington and husband Logan of Effingham, IL, Macey Welton of Mattoon, IL, Creighton Scott of Mattoon, IL, Kyle Messman and wife Shelbie of Philo, IL, Cassandra O'Rourke and husband Mitch of Effingham, IL and Brianna Messman of Philo, IL; two great grandchildren, Sawyer Alice Messman of Philo, IL, Harper Grace Ellington of Effingham, IL. He was preceded in death by one brother, Carl Welton and one infant granddaughter, Emily Grace Welton.

Mr. Welton honorably served his country in the United States Army as part of the Military Intelligence Corps while stationed in Germany. Following his honorable discharge, he went on to earn his Bachelor and Master of Education from Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, IL. Committed to his profession and students, he was guidance counselor for numerous years for Mattoon Community Unit School District until his retirement in 1990.

Duane later cofounded The Area Educational Credit Union, serving as a Board Member for thirty years and Chairman of the Board for many years. Furthermore, he was a past member of the Illinois Education Association, Mattoon Education Association, and Mattoon American Legion Post 88.

A man of great faith and serving others, Duane was a devout lifetime member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Mattoon, IL, and a member of the Knights of Columbus for sixty-five years, where he also served as their Financial Secretary for twenty-five years.

He loved spending his winters in Fort Myers Beach, FL, traveling on family cruises, and cheering for the Chicago Cubs. Above all else, Mr. Welton's pride and joy was his family. He leaves behind a legacy filled with many wonderful memories and was a true inspiration to all.

Memorials in his honor may be made to The Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

Please www.mitchell-jerdan.com or www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome to light a virtual candle in his honor or share a memory with the family.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

Mattoon, IL 61938

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 6. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
Mattoon, IL 61938

Service

JUN 6. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

FO

“ My family has many fond memories of Duane and Nan Welton. Our families were active in our younger days and would go camping, especially around the Effingham area. When I was in grade 6, I was confirmed and Duane Welton was my sponsor. I was always so grateful that he sponsored me during my younger days. Eternal rest grant unto his soul, O Lord and let the perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God. Rest in peace. Amen. Fr. Edward Ohm



Fr.Edward Ohm - September 25, 2024 at 10:40 PM

TB

“ He was a great guy glad to have served him as an RA at copper creek

tyler ball - December 15, 2023 at 11:10 PM



“ Duane Francis Welton

October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM

CD

“ I was the flower girl in Uncle Duane's wedding. I will always remember him as being kind and mild mannered .Love and sympathy to my cousins!

Colleen Welton Dunagan

COLLEEN DUNAGAN - June 13, 2022 at 12:44 PM

GP

“ *Mr. Welton was a true gentleman and a fantastic neighbor. Condolences to the entire family.* ”

Greg Powers - June 07, 2022 at 12:33 PM



“ *So sorry to hear this! My thoughts and prayers to all of you.* ”



Michelle Servis - June 04, 2022 at 04:58 PM

SP

“ *My condolences to the family* ”



Susie Pruett - June 04, 2022 at 03:21 PM

SM

“ *He was my HS counselor and I appreciated his guidance that influenced me to go on to college. I'm sorry for your loss-he was a great guy.* ”

Sue Meyer - June 04, 2022 at 09:22 AM

KC

“ *Kathi Janssen Cobble lit a candle in memory of Duane Francis Welton*



kathi janssen cobble - June 04, 2022 at 08:42 AM



“ *Mr. Welton never demanded respect like some in his field. He simply deserved it!*

Charles Henry - June 03, 2022 at 07:01 PM

BE

“ *So sorry for your loss, Duane was a wonderful man and I enjoyed our little talks, Love Beth Easton*

bethany easton - June 03, 2022 at 05:59 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Duane Francis Welton.*



June 03, 2022 at 05:41 PM

FO

“ I have fond memories of Duane and his family. He was a great and humble man to know. He will be missed. I will add him to my Mass Intentions and Rosaries.



Eternal rest, grant unto his soul, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him.

May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen. Requiescat in Pace

Father Edward U. Ohm - June 03, 2022 at 05:19 PM

TT

“ Mr Welton was one of the nicest and most humble man you could ever meet... He was always there if you ever needed him... 🙏🙏



Tonya Tinsman-David - June 03, 2022 at 04:08 PM