



## Van A. Webb

July 26, 1954 - April 7, 2021

Van Alan Webb, of Mattoon, IL passed from this life at the home he shared with his wife, Celeste, on April 7, 2021 at 10:45 AM.

A funeral service to commemorate Van's life will be held at 2:00 PM, Monday, April 12, 2021 at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, located at 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938. A committal service will follow at Calvary Cemetery. A visitation service will be held on Sunday evening, April 11, 2021 from 5:00 PM-8:00 PM at the funeral home.

Van was born at Castle Air Force Base in Atwater, CA on July 26, 1954, the son of Joe and Doris (Van Gundy) Webb. On August 18th, 1972, Van married his high school sweetheart, Celeste Zimmerle, at the Immaculate Conception Church in Mattoon, IL and they began their life together. Van worked as a truck driver, starting in the family business with his dad and later long hours over the road, to provide for his wife and four children. He enjoyed teaching his children the love of sports, especially softball and wrestling, and spending time with family swimming, boating, skiing and tubing, scuba-diving, hunting, fishing, and playing with his grandchildren.

Van is survived by his wife, Celeste (Zimmerle) Webb; three daughters, Theresa and Jake Rhodes, Vanessa and Brad Duncan, and Meredith and Nick Perez; eight grandchildren: Connor Rhodes, Kiefer Duncan, Katheryn Perez, Gavan Rhodes, Reagan Duncan, Alana Perez, Mia Perez, and Colton Perez. Van is also survived by his devoted mother, Doris Webb; two brothers, Mack and Matt Webb; his number one, Leann and John Polston; special

people in his life, including Dwight Fitt, Harold Van Gundy, Clyde Self, Veronica Davis; and many wonderful nieces, nephews, and cousins. To meet Van at his passing was his only son, Mitch Webb, who died in a vehicular collision at age 23 on November 2nd, 2012; Van's father, Joe Webb; and his sister, Joella Clearwater, also preceded him in death.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mitch Webb Memorial Wrestling Scholarship and mailed to Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938.

For those who are unable to attend the funeral service, a live tribute will be available at [www.mitchell-jerdan.com](http://www.mitchell-jerdan.com) or [www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome](http://www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome) .

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary

Mattoon, IL 61938

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 11. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home Ltd.  
1200 Wabash Ave  
Mattoon, IL 61938  
(217) 234-8828  
contact@mitchelljerdan.com  
<https://www.mitchell-jerdan.com/>

## Service

APR 12. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Van A. Webb*



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**Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home** - April 12, 2021 at 02:05 PM



*Cannot see, it is 3:30 and still no video.*

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**Jonnie Alms** - April 12, 2021 at 03:32 PM



“ *Van A. Webb*

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October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers to you, Celeste and your family. We have so many wonderful memories of our fun times and trips with you and Van. Jane and John Kendall*

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**John & Jane Kendall** - April 13, 2021 at 01:43 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Van A. Webb.*



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April 12, 2021 at 10:34 AM



“ *Celeste and family:  
Please accept my sincere sympathy for your loss. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Rest assured Van will be at Heaven's gate to welcome all of you when the time comes.*

*With Sympathy,  
Chris Gebben*

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**Chris Gebben** - April 12, 2021 at 08:44 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Van A. Webb.*



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April 09, 2021 at 09:31 PM

CT

“ Connie T. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Van A. Webb.



Connie T. - April 09, 2021 at 08:26 PM



“ 62 files added to the album Life Tributes



Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home - April 09, 2021 at 04:51 PM

CS

“ We had some wonderful times together, didn't we? You could kick the pants off of me in pool, but Backgammon was another story. It is impossible to say goodbye to a dear

Friend so I simply will say , "I'll see you later my friend." But for now you will leave all of us knowing the strong and independent man you were with a fierce sense of family. I shall keep this food ole time memories alive!

Love you,  
Selfie



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**Clyde Self** - April 09, 2021 at 03:52 PM

KC

*Van was a truly great guy. I remember sitting at coffee and donuts with him shortly after finding out our daughter would be our first. He shared Kevin there is nothing like it. You will always be outnumbered!! God love him!! Great example and great family man!! May he Rest In Peace!! Prayers for Celeste and all of the family. God bless!*

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**Kevin Collings** - April 09, 2021 at 06:47 PM

 Murl  
White

*Doris, I am thinking of you and all the family. You and Joe were there for Max and me through all the good and bad, the crushes, the payback for my criticism, the work highs and lows. I was able to see him through and we had good times right up until he left us on our anniversary in 2019. One of your kids should know in ever got to be a good shot, but we have it out all as long as max was able.  
Mwhitequ@hotmail.com*

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**Murl White** - April 11, 2021 at 02:56 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Van A. Webb.*



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April 09, 2021 at 01:35 PM



“ *Kathi L Cobble lit a candle in memory of Van A. Webb*



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**kathi l cobble** - April 08, 2021 at 11:09 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. May comfort and peace wrap around you all and hold you close.*



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**Dawn Zachow** - April 08, 2021 at 10:46 PM




“ *Sandy Stewart lit a candle in memory of Van A. Webb*



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**Sandy Stewart** - April 08, 2021 at 09:34 PM

SS

“ Oh Celeste! So very sorry to hear this! Prayers for you and family!  


Sandy Stewart - April 08, 2021 at 09:32 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Van A. Webb.



April 08, 2021 at 09:25 PM

JA

“ Jonnie Alms purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Van A. Webb.



Jonnie Alms - April 08, 2021 at 08:58 PM

JM

“ Lots of great memories from High School Football. Also him coming to Buffys softball games. Good man. Prayers for Celeste & family during this time of grief. Moe is thinking of you Van

john mattox - April 08, 2021 at 06:49 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Van A. Webb.*



April 08, 2021 at 05:33 PM



“ *Van always liked to remind me of how old I am. He was a good man*

**Sharon Farris** - April 08, 2021 at 05:21 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Van A. Webb.*



April 08, 2021 at 05:19 PM



“ *Celeste, so sorry for your loss. Praying for comfort for you and your family. Cheryl Verdeyen*

**Cheryl Verdeyen** - April 08, 2021 at 04:49 PM



“ *St. Jude Runs Staff and Board purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Van A. Webb.*



**St. Jude Runs Staff and Board** - April 08, 2021 at 04:07 PM

KS

“ *Celeste, I am so sorry for your loss.*

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**Karen Sampson** - April 08, 2021 at 03:42 PM

CT

*Jim and I are so sorry for your loss. Praying for you and your family.*

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**Cheryl and Jim Turner** - April 08, 2021 at 09:14 PM

 Murl  
White

*One of your kids should know, I never got to be a good shot, but max and I gave it out all as long as he was able. I am thinking of you all.*

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**Murl White** - April 11, 2021 at 03:02 PM