



## Donald E. Welch

February 1, 1940 - April 9, 2020

Donald E. Welch, age 80 years, a resident of rural Vienna, passed away Thursday morning, April 9, 2020, at 7:25 AM at the Ray and Kay Eckstein Hospice Care Center in Paducah, Kentucky.

Donald was born February 1, 1940 in Perkins, Missouri. He was the son of Elige and Nettie A. (Neely) Welch.

On February 1, 1958, Donald was united in marriage to Elva Jean Gore by Pastor Dunn at the minister's home near Vienna.

In addition to his wife, Jean, Donald is survived by: 2 sons – Scott (Marcia) Welch and Jeff Welch all of Vienna; 2 granddaughters – Courtney (Thomas) Jones of Vienna and Kimberley (Joe) Burdzy of Kennesaw, Georgia; 3 great grandchildren – Hayden and Logan Jones and Adalyn Burdzy; as well as nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends, including a dear friend – Lucy Conley.

In addition to his parents, Donald was preceded in death by his sister – Clea Goins.

Donald was a heavy equipment operator. He was a 50+ year member of the International Union of Operating Engineers – Local # 318. He also was a

skilled carpenter.

Donald was a member of the New Burnside Community Church. He was also a member of Saline Masonic Lodge # 339 A.F. & A.M. at Goreville.

Donald had a lifelong passion for motorcycles and motorcycling. He was particularly fond of Honda motorcycles.

A private family visitation and service will be conducted at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Pete Slivinski will officiate.

Burial will be in the Cypress Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Stroke Association, National Center, 7272 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, TX 75231 or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1905.

# Cemetery Details

## **Cypress Cemetery**

5847 State Route 37 South  
Cypress, IL

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall



“ *Donald E. Welch*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *Sorry to hear of Donald's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.*



**Darla and Mark Brown** - April 17, 2020 at 06:29 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss, Marcia and Scott!*



**Toni Taylor** - April 13, 2020 at 02:47 PM



“ *Courtney I am so sorry to hear of your father's passing. You are in my prayers!*

**Karen Reagan** - April 12, 2020 at 03:47 PM



“ *Jean, Jeff & I are were so saddened to hear of Don's passing. Praying for you and your family during this time. We love you!*

**Cindy VanCleve** - April 12, 2020 at 01:08 AM



“ So sorry to hear this. May God be with you.

Cynthia Mathis - April 11, 2020 at 09:26 PM

WD

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Donald. I feel as though, I have known him all my life. He was always an inspiration for other. Jean, if I can do anything for you, please feel free to contact me.



Wayne Dunn - April 11, 2020 at 07:00 PM

KB

“ Kenny And Diane Baker lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch



Kenny and Diane Baker - April 11, 2020 at 02:56 PM

DH

“ Dennis And Pat Harner lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch



Dennis and Pat Harner - April 11, 2020 at 10:27 AM

MR

“ Jean, Tracy and I are saddened to hear about Donald. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.



Mark and Tracy J. Racey - April 10, 2020 at 10:54 PM

AS

“ Angie Street lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch



Angie Street - April 10, 2020 at 08:40 PM

NA

“ I am so sorry to hear about Donald. It seems like I have known him all my life,



Norma McHugh Adami - April 10, 2020 at 04:55 PM

LM

“ Linda And Jeff Mathis lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch



Linda and Jeff Mathis - April 10, 2020 at 03:03 PM

JW

“ Jane Ross Wright sent a virtual gift in memory of Donald E. Welch



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**Jane Ross Wright** - April 10, 2020 at 02:21 PM

JW

Jean, So sorry to hear of the passing of your husband. May God comfort you and your family.  
Clearon and Jane Ross Wright

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**Jane Ross Wright** - April 10, 2020 at 02:23 PM

JE

“ Thought and Prayers to the family. Sorry for your loss.



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**Jill & JR Evers** - April 10, 2020 at 01:22 PM

LM

“ Larry And Carolyn McGill lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch



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**Larry and Carolyn McGill** - April 10, 2020 at 11:43 AM

TP

“ You are all in my heart and prayers as I rejoice knowing Donald is in his new home and that there will be a glad reunion day coming! ❤️🙏



Tina Penrod - April 10, 2020 at 10:46 AM

LJ

“ Lois & Jacob lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch



Lois & Jacob - April 10, 2020 at 10:31 AM



“ Anita Duer lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch



Anita Duer - April 10, 2020 at 10:00 AM

JH

“ Justin & Tricia Hartline lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch



Justin & Tricia Hartline - April 10, 2020 at 09:22 AM

JT

“ Jerry & Ann Toler lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch



Jerry & Ann Toler - April 10, 2020 at 06:46 AM

BJ

“ Brittany Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Donald E. Welch



Brittany Johnson - April 10, 2020 at 12:59 AM

PW

“ Pat Womack lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch



pat womack - April 10, 2020 at 12:35 AM

AC

“ April Lynn Calvert lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch



April lynn Calvert - April 09, 2020 at 11:40 PM



“ *Kathy Meyers lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch*



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**Kathy Meyers** - April 09, 2020 at 11:06 PM



“ *Carolyn Spurlock lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch*



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**Carolyn Spurlock** - April 09, 2020 at 10:38 PM



“ *Our prayers are with you all. Mike, June, Brylee and Kiera.*

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**June Hartline** - April 09, 2020 at 10:09 PM



“ *Vicki Eastwood lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch*



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**Vicki Eastwood** - April 09, 2020 at 09:11 PM

JR

“ Jean, I was stunned by the news. My condolences for you and family. We go back almost 70 years with a lot of great memories with you and Don. We spent a lot of time running the country side in and around White Hill. One memory of Don stands out from our fishing excursions. We never caught many fish, but we did drown a bunch of worms. Very sorry for your loss.  
Jim McNeely



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J R - April 09, 2020 at 09:09 PM

JR

“ James And Diane Rainbolt lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch



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James and Diane Rainbolt - April 09, 2020 at 08:26 PM

MA

“ Mike & Teresa Anderson lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch



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Mike & Teresa Anderson - April 09, 2020 at 08:01 PM

AS

“ *Angie Street lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch*



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**Angie Street** - April 09, 2020 at 06:59 PM

JS

“ *John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of Donald E. Welch*



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**John Slack** - April 09, 2020 at 05:48 PM

LK

“ *Linda Koehler lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch*



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**Linda Koehler** - April 09, 2020 at 05:46 PM



“ *Mike Crews lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch*



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**Mike Crews** - April 09, 2020 at 01:00 PM

TM

“ *Tom And Carmen Murrie lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch*



Tom and Carmen Murrie - April 09, 2020 at 12:52 PM

TM

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you Jean and your family. Praying you feel comfort and strength that only God can give.*

Tom and Carmen Murrie - April 09, 2020 at 12:54 PM

JB

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. He was a great man!! Your family is in our thoughts and prayers. Ted, Joy and girl's.*



Joy Beggs - April 09, 2020 at 12:32 PM

CS

“ *MY heart breaks for you, Jean. Sending prayers for comfort and peace, in Jesus Name.*



Christina Slivinski - April 09, 2020 at 12:22 PM

KB

“ *Karen Brumley lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch*



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**Karen Brumley** - April 09, 2020 at 11:49 AM

KB

*Jean, I am so very sorry for your loss. Prayers for comfort at this time.*

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**Karen Brumley** - April 09, 2020 at 11:50 AM

TM

“ *I'm So Sorry for your loss Sending Prayers to you and ALL of your Family!!*



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**Theresa McKenzie-Trovillion** - April 09, 2020 at 11:40 AM

MH

“ *Mary Lou Hynes lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch*



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**Mary Lou Hynes** - April 09, 2020 at 11:33 AM

BB

“ *Billy&Nancy Belford lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Welch*



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**Billy&Nancy Belford** - April 09, 2020 at 11:31 AM