



Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell

October 21, 1935 - December 22, 2021

Elizabeth “Liz” Jewell Bedwell died on December 22, 2021, at her home in Denton, MD. She was 86 years old.

She was born in Lynch, MD, on October 21, 1935, the daughter of George Alan and Birdie Kendall Jewell. She graduated from Chestertown High School in 1954 and was a resident of Lynch for 75 years. Soon after graduating, she married the late Bernard Bedwell on July 30, 1954.

Mrs. Bedwell worked for Town Stationary while she was in high school, and then became the secretary for Grieb’s Realty. After ten years off from working, she became a bus driver for Kent County Schools in 1968. She drove school buses for 20 years before transitioning to the School Board as an administrative assistant. She was eventually promoted to the Supervisor of Transportation, and then retired from the Board in 2003. She then went on to work for Dr. Johnson for another seven years and then in 2010, she moved to Denton, MD, and officially retired.

She was a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Denton and a prior member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Chestertown. She enjoyed sewing, crocheting, and spending time with her children and grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bernard Bedwell; and sister,

Joyce Willis.

She is survived by her children, Linda Stutzman (George), Barry Bedwell (Lora Lee), and Susan Lewis; sister, Patricia Carter; grandchildren, Jason Stutzman (Miranda), Jewell Bedwell (Joshua), Emily Bedwell, and Noah Bedwell; and great-grandchildren, Tess Stutzman, Lewis Stutzman, Jillian Stutzman, Mathew Sparwasser, and Russell Short.

Services will be held on Tuesday, December 28, at 11:00 am at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Chestertown. A visitation will be held the night prior on Monday, December 27, at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home in Chestertown from 5-7pm.

Cemetery Details

Still Pond Cemetery

Still Pond, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 27. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home
130 Speer Road
Chestertown, MD 21620
<http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com>

Service

DEC 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church
508 High Street
Chestertown, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell* ”



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - December 27, 2021 at 09:12 AM



“ *Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell* ”

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell* ”

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell* ”

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Joyce Nicholson lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell* ”



Joyce Nicholson - January 10, 2022 at 04:13 AM

CC

“ Linda, Barry, and Susan. I am just reading of the passing of your Mom. There are countless memories I have from a very young age at your house in Lynch, picnics, and swimming at the “bar”. The list goes on and on. I know she leaves an empty space in your hearts but hold on to those sweet memories. With Love ❤️

Chris Nicholson Clough - January 09, 2022 at 03:20 PM

DA

“ Linda and family,
I am just hearing of Ms Liz's passing. I was so sorry to hear this news and that I missed the service. She was definitely a "spark" and a sweetheart and I know you all will miss her dearly. You're all in my thoughts and prayers.
Sincerely,
Debbie Alexander

Debbie Alexander - January 08, 2022 at 07:39 PM

SD

“ I’ve known Miss Liz most of my 57 years. She was a quintessential Eastern Shore mom. Hard working, faithful and kind, with a good dose of humor. When I was 4 years old my mom, Peggy Thompson, also school bus driver, had to go to her house for something bus related. That was the day I met Miss Liz’s daughter, Susan. Susan and I remain close friends today, about 53 years later. I think one of the things that brought us together was being the kid of a bus driver. We often shared stories of how our moms would take us on runs during our preschool years (no babysitter needed) and we would sit on the floor near the door and hold on tight as they drove the manual transmission through its gear. You learned quick to hang on as to not end up in the step-well and you better be quiet as to not cause a scene. BDK (bus driver kids) could be smacked by the bus driver for insubordination...I think it was a good deterrent for misbehaving kids on the bus. If the bus driver could do that to their own kids what could they do to us?!

Susan and I joke that we both learned how to drive a manual transmission from listening to our moms change gears at the right moment as we sat on the floor next to the stick shift...holding on for dear life!

Fast forward years later Miss Liz and Susan joined us at a Dodgers vs Phillies game in Philly. My husband a true Phillies fan and Miss Liz a HARDCORE Dodger fan had fun bantering throughout the games. She had nicknames for most of the Dodger players...some too funny to mention here. At one point during warm ups Miss Liz got up out of her seat and walked down to meet any of the Dodger players. We watched her from our seats chatting it up with an older gentleman. We wondered who and what she was doing. She came back after a while and said she was talking to the manager Dave Robertson’s dad...just like they had known each other their whole lives, she never met a stranger. Well, she was a Dodger fan from the time they were in New York, yes she was faithful. I daresay the Dodgers have lost their #1 fan but I’m sure she will be rooting for them from heaven.

I could go on and on with humorous antidotes, but along with that I extend my deepest heartfelt sympathy to Susan, Barry, LoraLee, Linda, George and the rest of her family. She will be deeply missed. She loved each and every one of you. You were blessed to call her mom.

Susan Thompson DiBona - December 31, 2021 at 09:53 AM

MC

“ Ms. Bedwell Knew My Family Better Than I Did! She Was A Good No Nonsense Woman And Shall Be Missed!! RIP!

Marion Chance - December 27, 2021 at 10:55 PM

SW

“ Sis & Ron Weippert lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell



Sis & Ron Weippert - December 27, 2021 at 08:48 PM

SW

Susan so sorry to hear about your Mom's passing. We will keep your family in our prayers. Call me 410-310-5739. ❤️

Sis & Ron Weippert - December 28, 2021 at 05:21 PM

DN

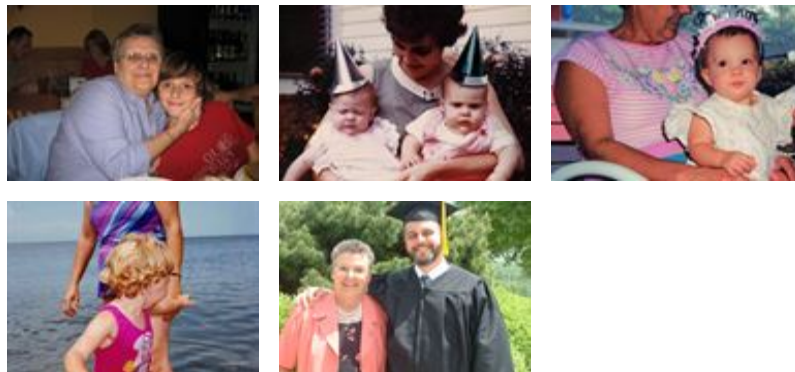
“ Debbie & Bob Nickerson lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell



Debbie & Bob Nickerson - December 27, 2021 at 11:00 AM



“ 77 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - December 27, 2021 at 09:13 AM

CB

“ Cathie Blakeney lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell



Cathie Blakeney - December 27, 2021 at 08:11 AM

CB

Linda, and family, so sorry to read of Liz's passing. I have many fond memories of when I worked in Lynch.

Cathie Blakeney - December 27, 2021 at 08:14 AM

BW

“ Aunt Liz, I have SO many wonderful memories of our family times and picnics together growing up. I know there will be little resting in peace as you are cutting up with all of the other Jewel's ! You will be missed here amongst us. Love you Forever.



Barney Willis - December 26, 2021 at 10:20 AM

MP

“ Monique Saunders Patrick lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell



Monique Saunders Patrick - December 26, 2021 at 07:16 AM

KM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.
Kip and Monica Matthews



Kip & Monica Matthews - December 25, 2021 at 09:18 AM

KA

“ Kay lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell



Kay - December 24, 2021 at 12:58 PM

EF

“ *Ms.Liz was my bus driver when I was in elementary school she was very loving and compassionate person she greeted us all with a smile when I grew up I worked as a bus aid she was the supervisor and was still the same person God only picks the best*

Elise Felton - December 24, 2021 at 11:27 AM



“ *You are reunited with Barney and I know Levi and Hannah are glad to see you! We will miss you forever and love you always.*

Lora Hart - December 23, 2021 at 07:29 PM

JS

“ *Julie Slagle lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell*



Julie Slagle - December 23, 2021 at 05:29 PM

DT

“ *Dan Towers lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell*



Dan Towers - December 23, 2021 at 03:19 PM

FD

“ Frankie & Jane Dill lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell



Frankie & Jane Dill - December 23, 2021 at 02:40 PM

KS

“ Ken And Louise Stonesifer lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell



Ken and Louise Stonesifer - December 23, 2021 at 09:33 AM

DH

“ Donna Hollingsworth lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell



Donna Hollingsworth - December 23, 2021 at 08:59 AM

TS

“ Todd & Diane Smith lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell



Todd & Diane Smith - December 23, 2021 at 08:24 AM

SM

“ *Susan Martinez lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell*



Susan Martinez - December 23, 2021 at 08:23 AM

CH

“ *Cheryl Hurd lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell*



Cheryl Hurd - December 23, 2021 at 07:40 AM

BC

“ *Barbara Coleman lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell*



Barbara Coleman - December 23, 2021 at 07:37 AM

JS

“ *Jeanette Stubbs lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell*



Jeanette Stubbs - December 23, 2021 at 07:21 AM

CF

“ *Connie Fithian lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell*



Connie Fithian - December 22, 2021 at 11:56 PM

FL

“ *Many fond memories of Liz and Barney. Keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers.*



Frankie and Cathy Legg - December 22, 2021 at 08:53 PM

PS

“ *Patricia And Billy Sutton lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell*



Patricia and Billy Sutton - December 22, 2021 at 07:53 PM

CC

“ *Please accept our deepest sympathy. Miss Elizabeth is part of my earliest memories, as she was one of my mom's best friends from high school on. She was always one of the nicest, easy-going people you'd ever hope to meet.*

Connie Connolly

Connie Connolly - December 22, 2021 at 06:05 PM

JN

“ *Joyce Nicholson lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Jewell Bedwell*



Joyce Nicholson - December 22, 2021 at 05:47 PM

KP

“ *One of the best! I remember working with her in the mid 70s when we played end men in the Dixieland Jubilee, a fundraiser sponsored by the Kent County High and Chestertown Middle Schools' PTAs. Her role as Cornball along with Screwball, Highball, Eightball, and others made for great antics for not only the audience, but also those who were on stage.*

Kay Pinder - December 22, 2021 at 03:43 PM