



## Geraldine Jackson Welty

February 17, 1920 - September 9, 2015

Geraldine Leslie Jackson Welty died on September 9, 2015, at the age of 95 years.

Originally from the Philadelphia area, she resided at Heron Point in Chestertown, MD, for the past 20 years. The daughter of Lester Jackson and Phoebe Collins Jackson, she was a graduate of Springfield High School where she was the valedictorian of the Class of 1937. She attended Pierce Junior College and worked as an executive secretary in Philadelphia and Washington. She served in the Navy WAVES in World War II, stationed in Ithaca, NY. In 1952, she married Frederick Welty, who passed away in 1994. They resided for 32 years in Moylan, PA.

She is survived by her children, Claire Welty of Philadelphia, PA, and Oella, MD, Celeste Welty of Columbus, OH, and Carl Welty of Atlanta, GA, and grandchildren, Alison Welty and Adrian Jourdan.

Mrs. Welty enjoyed working as a volunteer for the American Red Cross both in Media, PA, and in Chestertown. She loved quilting, reading, bird watching, gardening, and cooking. She will be remembered for her kindness and especially always commemorating birthdays and special occasions of family and friends with notes and gifts.

The funeral mass will be held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Emmitsburg, MD, on September 14, 2015, at 11 a.m., followed by interment at the family plot. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Heron Point Garden, Grounds, and Landscaping Fund (501 E. Campus Ave., Chestertown, MD 21620), or St. Joseph's Catholic Church (47 Depaul St., Emmitsburg, MD 21727).

# Cemetery Details

## New St. Joseph's Cemetery

South Seton Avenue  
Emmitsburg, MD

# Previous Events

## Service

SEP 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph's Catholic Church  
47 DePaul Street  
Emmitsburg, MD 21727

# Tribute Wall



“ *Geraldine Jackson Welty*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Geraldine Jackson Welty*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Zhengtao Cui & Family purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Geraldine Jackson Welty.*



**Zhengtao Cui & Family** - September 13, 2015 at 10:03 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



**Carl Welty** - September 12, 2015 at 04:52 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Geraldine J Welty*



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**Carl Welty** - September 12, 2015 at 03:32 PM

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*Geraldine J Welty, September 1947*

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**Carl Welty** - September 12, 2015 at 04:13 PM

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**Carl Welty** - September 12, 2015 at 03:25 PM

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*September 1947*

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**Carl Welty** - September 12, 2015 at 04:11 PM



“ *Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Geraldine Jackson Welty.*



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September 11, 2015 at 04:09 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Geraldine Jackson Welty.*



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September 11, 2015 at 12:51 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Geraldine Jackson Welty.*



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September 11, 2015 at 10:12 AM

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“ So many great memories of Aunt Gerry from the wonderfully warm and interesting letters she wrote to us from South Carolina, to the fun times we had visiting with her, Uncle Fred, and our dear cousins at the lovely houses in Wallingford and then Moylan. I remember being thrilled to "get stuck" there overnight during a terrible snowstorm. I also cherish the trip she organized to take me shopping for lamps for one of my first apartments at some of her favorite haunts for modern lighting designs. She very graciously hosted a terrific engagement party for me and my late husband, Alan, at her home, immediately making him feel like a welcome part of this crazy family.

During all the years of my mother's long illness, Gerry wrote to her faithfully, describing her volunteer activities, what she was growing her terrace planters, what birds she had seen and news of her beloved kids and grandkids. My mom really appreciated this ongoing communication. In recent years Gerry and I were in regular touch via email after Claire had kindly bought her an I-pad. I was so impressed that Gerry was not intimidated to learn new technology and indeed embraced it as an easy way of staying in touch with everyone and share family news. She was a kind, gracious, compassionate, warm, funny, stylish accomplished woman and I will miss her greatly.

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**Barbara Vanderkolk Gardner** - September 11, 2015 at 09:40 AM