



## Sarah Vela Welch

July 26, 1939 - April 10, 2009

Sarah Vela Welch of Stevensville, MD died Friday, April 10, 2009 due to an automobile accident. She was 69.

Sarah was born on July 26, 1939 in Washington D.C. She was the daughter of the late Joseph William Wells and Vela Harmon. She graduated from Theodore Roosevelt High School class of 1957. Mrs. Welch attended Chamberlin Vocational School where she studied graphic printing. She worked for Tidewater Publishing, in Centreville, MD, Merkle Press in D.C. and DeLancey Printing in Alexandria, VA. She was a member of The Graphic Communication International Union Local #72C. Mrs. Welch retired in 2002. On August 1, 1959 she married Noel Douglas Welch of Washington D.C. They raised their family in Stevensville, MD. Sarah was always active in the Kent Island Methodist Church where she was in the choir and the United Methodist Women's Aglow fellowship. She and her husband enjoyed traveling throughout North America in their motor home. Sarah also enjoyed gardening but most importantly to her was her family.

Sarah is survived by her loving husband Noel Douglas Welch, Sr. of Stevensville, MD; three sons, Noel Douglas Welch, Jr. of Millsboro, DE, Paul Stuart Welch of Grasonville, MD, Joseph Leslie Welch of Denton, MD; three daughters Catherine Renee Siok of Arnold, MD, Patricia Anne Joyce of Guyton GA, Lois Elaine Lee of Easton, MD; two sisters, Martha White of Laurel DE and Nancy Goetz of Leesburg, FL; thirteen grandchildren; C. Stephen Bronson, Rodgers Joyce, Krysta H. Siok, William D. Platt, Jillian L.

Siok, Dallas P. Siok, Dakota T. Siok, Aaron S. Welch, Gregory D. Welch, Christopher M. Welch, Kimberly A. Lee, Liam A. Welch and Lillian G. Welch. She is preceded in death by Jennifer L. Platt.

Family and friends are welcome to attend the viewing on Tuesday, April 14, 2009 from 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm. A funeral service will be held at 11:00 am on Wednesday, April 15, 2009 at Kent Island Methodist Church, 2739 Cox Neck Road, Chester, MD 21619. Burial will follow funeral service at Woodlawn Memorial Park in Easton, MD.

Contribution may be made to KIUMC Building Fund P.O. Box 308 Chester, MD 21619.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Sarah Vela Welch*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - April 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sarah Vela Welch*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Sarah Vela Welch*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Sarah Vela Welch*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *I just happened on this viewing the net. Thank you for all you did for Noel Jr and myself. You will always be appreciated. Always...*

*Druseljc@cox.net##imported-begin##Lawrence R Perry##imported-end##*

June 28, 2009 at 05:40 PM



“ I am sorry to hear of Sara's passing. I worked with her as a print salesman at DeLancey Printing. She was a very kind and pleasant person, our thoughts and prayers go out to her family.##imported-begin##Hal and Kimberley Fischer##imported-end##

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April 15, 2009 at 09:01 PM



“ We didn't know Mrs. Welch well, but through Paul we know how important family was to her. May her family have peace in this very sad time, knowing that she is with her Savior.##imported-begin##Nancy, Mike & Andy Koval##imported-end##

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April 15, 2009 at 11:03 AM



“ To the Welch Family Chuck and I offer our condolences , We do not know all of you , I do know your sister, Kathy and of course we had met your parents a few times when we were neighbors, and your mom was very sweet person that I thought the world of in just one meeting you could feel the love she had for her Lord and her family, We lost my mom in the same way as you did, different circumstances , but an accident just the same so we know all the mixed emotions you are now having and will have for a long time to come , just know that Jesus has her in his care now and he will help you get through this just as he did us, the pain will get easier to live with but will never go away , there is now way to say good bye to a parent , she was special. Just know we are praying for you now and in the future and we know God will give you strength to go on even when you do not want to and although you miss her greatly she is in a much better place now , just take care of one another and always make sure your loved ones know they are loved , God Bless you##imported-begin##Kathy Hyde ##imported-end##

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April 14, 2009 at 07:00 PM



“ I wanted to leave a message of heartfelt sympathy for all of Mrs. Sarah's large family and many friends. To Paul, Cathy, Patricia and Lois, and all the other siblings that I haven't had the privilege to meet, my heart goes out to you during this time of loss and sadness. Your mother seemed like the most sweet, humble, Godly woman and it was clear to ALL she adored her family. We may not have known each other very well, but the way she was ALWAYS at every church service, no matter how little or often I came, and always with a daughter or special grandchild nearby, was such a blessing to me. And when asked about the others (such as my classmate Patricia or my dear friends husband, Paul) she would proudly fill me in on who was where and how they were doing. Just the sweetest, caring lady.

Family is the most important thing in the world, and I hope that all of you lift each other up with all the precious memories you share. A special hug for Mr. Noel. You may not know me personally, but I am so sorry for your loss hope you are surrounded by the love that all of your family has for you and in the knowledge that Ms. Sarah is surely smiling down on all of you from her special place in Heaven.

In love and friendship, from my family to yours.##imported-begin##Christine Ward##imported-end##

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April 14, 2009 at 03:58 PM



“ Sarah,

*I know that GOD is wrapping his arms around you. You are his faithful servant. The choir will miss your beautiful voice, your smile and your soft and easy manner. I know that you are singing to our Lord face to face. We will see you again one day.##imported-begin##John Hauprich##imported-end##*

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April 14, 2009 at 09:00 AM



“ You will be missed, Sarah... love Bob and Janette##imported-begin##Janette and Robert Anderson##imported-end##

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April 13, 2009 at 10:02 PM



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April 13, 2009 at 10:02 PM



“ My most-sincere condolences to Noel and other family members. I will miss seeing Sarah in our church choir.##imported-begin##Eileen Roys##imported-end##

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April 13, 2009 at 02:59 PM



“ We were so sadden to hear of Sara's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.##imported-begin##Gene and Kathy Fleshman##imported-end##

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April 13, 2009 at 10:23 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss.  
Sarah and I worked together in the prep department at Tidewater Publishing many years ago. She was one of the sweetest ladies I have had the pleasure to work with. She always spoke so well of her husband and family. I know she will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. My prayers are that you will have peace in your faith in God.  
Dee Chambers, Church Hill, MD##imported-begin##Dee Chambers##imported-end##

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April 13, 2009 at 08:47 AM



“ Joe and family, We are so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. You are in our thoughts and prayers, please let us know if we can do anything for you.##imported-begin##Bernie and Peggy Hammer##imported-end##

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April 12, 2009 at 09:00 PM



“ WE SHARE IN YOUR HEARTACHE AND SORROW.... WE WILL BE THINKING OF YOU,

VERLA AND FRED ARNOLD  
PO BOX 9  
BECKER, MS. 38825##imported-begin##VERLA AND FRED ARNOLD##imported-end##

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April 12, 2009 at 07:08 PM