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1941 — *Deanna* — 2022

Deanna Doris Welch

April 24, 1941 — April 6, 2022

Benton

Deanna (“Dee”) Welch, 80, of Benton, AR, formerly of Superior, WI passed away peacefully in her sleep on April 6, 2022.

She was born April 24, 1941, in Superior, WI to Clyde and Esther (Anderson) Waltenburg.

She is survived by son, Tim Welch and wife Kim of Henderson, NV; son, Jim Welch and wife Karen of Alexander, AR; daughter, Cindy Hauser and husband Wes of North Richland Hills, TX; daughter, Missy Chamblee and husband Jeff of Grenada, MS; ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren with one more on the way.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Richard "Dick" Welch; parents; six siblings; and one granddaughter, Rebecca Welch.

Dee was a devoted Christian, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend and will be forever in the hearts of her loved ones.

In her working years, Dee was a Licensed Practical Nurse and worked as a school nurse. She volunteered for many years at Saline Memorial Hospital. She was a dedicated servant to her family, community, and church. She was a member at First United Methodist of Benton and volunteered with her husband at CJOHN in Benton. Dee crocheted beautiful afghans for each of her family members, which are loved and cherished. She also made handmade gifts of Christmas ornaments, scrubbers, and so many other special items. Dee was an incredible cook and made the most amazing desserts. Some of her specialties included scotcheroos, almond bars, brownies, cut out and decorated sugar cookies, spritz cookies, and many other delectable desserts. She and her husband would make delicious dinners together, which were not complete without at least a few of her favorite salads. Family always knew when they would come home to visit, she would have their favorite foods and desserts waiting for them. Family was most important to Dee. She was grateful for the rich family heritage that started in Superior, Wisconsin and has remained constant through the years.

Visitation will be held from 1:00-2:00 PM, Monday, April 11, followed by memorial service at 2:00 PM, at First United Methodist Church, 200 N. Market Street in Benton, Arkansas. Memorial donations can be made to that same church.


Services entrusted to Smith-Benton Funeral Home.

Online guestbook: www.SmithFamilyCares.com.

Service Schedule


Past Services


Visitation

 Monday, April 11, 2022
1:00 - 2:00 pm (Central time)

 **Benton First United Methodist Church**
200 N Market St, Benton, AR 72015

Memorial Service

 Monday, April 11, 2022
Starts at 2:00 pm (Central time)

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