



## Jeanne (Beary) Church

January 22, 1955 - December 20, 2012

Jeanne (Beary) Church, age 57 of Lovilia, died Thursday, December 20, 2012 at Mercy Medical Center in Des Moines.

Jeanne was born January 22, 1955 to John Francis and Dorothy Irene (McGrath) Beary at Smith Hospital in Albia. She married Ted Church on May 3, 1980 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Weller, IA. They were blessed with two children, Andi and J.T.

A graduate of Albia High School, class of 1973, Jeanne went on to receive her Bachelor of Science degree in Dental Hygiene from the University of Iowa. She worked as a dental hygienist in Morton, WA for ten years and also Torrington, WY for 13 years.

Jeanne was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Albia. She was a very giving person and enjoyed volunteering. She was a certified softball umpire, a volunteer at the local emergency food bank, and was very active in her church. Jeanne enjoyed the community theatre, singing and was a lifelong learner. Most important to Jeanne was her children and family. They were everything to her.

Jeanne is survived by her husband, Dr. Ted Church, M.D. of Lovilia; children, Andi (Skip) Hancock of Rockport, TX and J.T. (Chelsea Chavez) Church of

Las Vegas, NV; five sisters, Kathy (Carroll) Woollums, Cheryl (Denny) Crall, Jackie (Paul) Maddy, Barbara (Wayne) Rosenkrans, and Carole (Ron) Wycoff; and six brothers, Dr. John (Bianca) Beary, Michael (Marilyn) Beary, Bernard (Vicky) Beary, Bill (Cindy) Beary, Mark (Angie) Beary, and Paul Beary. She is also survived by numerous relatives and many friends in many communities.

Jeanne was preceded in death by her parents.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be 11 a.m., Friday, December 28, 2012, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Albia, with Fr. Michael E. Volkmer, C.P.P.S. officiating. A private family burial will be held at a later date.

Visitation will open to the public at 11 a.m. on Thursday, December 27, 2012, at Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Jeanne's family present throughout the day and evening. A rosary will be led at 4 p.m., provided by St. Mary's Altar and Rosary Society, with a Christian Wake Service beginning at 6 p.m., Thursday evening at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to St. Mary's NCYC Trip or to the Monroe County Hospital Foundation.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jeanne (Beary) Church*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Jeanne (Beary) Church*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *I thought I'd write a short note about my friend Jeanne. She was a bright, shining star who loved her children more than anything. I remember when our daughters were in cheer and dance together. We worked the taco booth for dance team and she was a never tiring worker when it came to helping out with things for the girls. I loved her smile, her laugh and that we did a lot of...Ted, remember her smile and the fun times you had, I myself will. It took me a while to write on here, but I just couldn't believe that she is gone. That love of life she showed always helped rejuvenate me when I was down. Thank you God for sharing her with us, and now you have a super angel helping you.*

*Denise*

**Denise Heilbrun-Ellis - Torrington, WY - friend** - May 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Was out of town, and just heard about Jeanne. She was such a special person, and we enjoyed the privileged of knowing her. I know she will be missed by all of you. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you, Andi and T.J.*

**Doug and Teri Armstrong - torrington, WY - friends** - January 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *Dr. Church and Family: I have been out of town and when I returned I found out about Jeanne's untimely passing. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. Jeanne always had that cute little smile that would cheer anyone up when she entered the room. Torrington has missed all of you and now we pray even harder for you in your loss.*

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**Stes Stellflug - Torrington, WY - friend** - January 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ *Dr. Church & Beary Family,*

*We are so sorry for your loss. You have been and will continue to be in our thoughts and prayers.*

*The Teno Family  
Mark, Laura, Max, Megan & Morgan*

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**Laura Teno - Albia, IA - Friend of the Family** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *Ted and family,*

*We were shocked and saddened to hear about Jeanne. I have fond memories of her as a supportive kindergarten mother when JT was in my kindergarten class. She dearly loved her children and seemed to be willing to help them succeed in any way she could. Your family has been missed since your time in Morton but not forgotten. Our thoughts are with you at this difficult time.*

*Janet and Bobby*

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**Janet and Bobby Collier - Glenoma, WA** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ My heart continues to break for Uncle Ted and cousins Andi and J.T. Some of my most favorite childhood memories were times spent with all of you. I will always remember Aunt Jeanne's laugh and the way she could fill a room with joy and love. I know that Grandma welcomed her into Heaven with open arms, but also that she will be forever missed here. Sending my prayers that you can take some comfort in knowing she will now forever be at your side.

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**Sunny (Nilson) Nunogawa - Tacoma, WA - Niece** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Dr. Church, Andi, JT, and families-

We are so sorry for your loss. We have had a couple of conversations over the last few days about Jeanne and you all. I just remember her enthusiasm with everything. Especially when she shopped for gifts at the flower shop and how much fun she was to visit with and talk to. I hope you can all find comfort in happy memories. Will be thinking of you often. The Torrington community remembers you all fondly. Prayers to you all. Miss you. Destry, Jennelle, and family

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**Destry and Jennelle Werner - Torrington, WY - friend** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ i am sorry for your loss. Jeanne was a wonderful person. A great mother an wife.  
I will always remeber her smile!!

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**kelly matlock - torrington, WY - friend** - December 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ *Our condolences on your loss.*

*Curt Meeks  
Dr. Mariannette Miller-Meeks*

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**Curt Meeks - Ottumwa, IA - Friend of Family** - December 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ *My heartfelt prayers go out to all the family at this time!*

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**Deb Moore - past Activitiy Director Oakwood9** - December 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *Jeanne was always kind and had a wonderful smile that would brighten the day. I will remember her warmly.*

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**Carol (Visser) Rozenboom - Bussey, IA - Classmate** - December 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *i am sorry for your loss. Jeanne was a wonderful person. A great mother an wife.I will always remeber her smile!!*

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**kelly matlock - torrington, WY - friend** - December 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *Ted, Andi, JT, and the Beary family,  
We mourn with you at the loss of Jeanne. We were fortunate to have her in the family, never seen without a broad smile. She was loved and will be missed by so many. Our loss is Heaven's gain. Our thoughts and prayers are with the immediate family in the difficult days ahead. We trust sharing all of the precious memories will bring God's Peace and Comfort. . Wish we could be there to here the story. Hugs and love from us to all of you!*

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**Mike and Deslie Church - sister-in-law** - December 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Dear Ted, Andi, and JT:

*It is clear from reading these messages that Jeanne touched the lives of a huge network of friends and family in Morton Washington, Torrington Wyoming, and of course Monroe County Iowa.*

*Growing up in a family of twelve kids seemed completely normal to us, but with the passage of time we can see what an amazing accomplishment it was for our mother and father.*

*There are three key networks that explain how you are connected to the great majority of Monroe County citizens.*

*First, Jeanne's mother... Dorothy Irene McGrath is descended from the Melrose McGrath family and the Georgetown Judge family.*

*Second, Jeanne's father... John F. Beary, Jr is descended from two Weller families, the Beary and the Molloy clans.*

*Finally, there has been a member of Jeanne's family at Albia High School since September 1961 when I started.....to May 1981 when Carole Anne graduated.*

*Love and Condolences from John & Bianca*

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**John F. Beary, III, MD - Cincinnati, OH - Brother** - December 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Marilyn and I both remember Jeanne as having lots of enthusiasm and smiles in what ever she did. Let us all have hope and the knowledge that Jeanne is in a much better place where her family can join her later. Louis

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**Louis and Marilyn Kuhnel - Torrington, WY - friend** - December 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ So very sorry to hear about your beautiful wife. The Beary girls have been special in this community and Jeanne will be a great loss to all who knew her. Please know my thoughts and prayers are with you.  
*Roberta Farrington*

*HN2jH*

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**Roberta Farrington - Lovilia, IA - patient of Dr. and friend of fam** - December 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *Sympathy and prayers to all of your family at this difficult time. May your hearts find some peace among the memories and love that you will forever hold near and dear.*

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**Carol King - Creston, IA - friend of Cheryl Crall** - December 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ *Our deepest sympathy to Dr. Church and his family and also the Beary family, in the loss of your loved one. May God give you strength and comfort in this difficult time.*

*Love & prayers,  
Ed & Cheryl Scieszinski*

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**Ed & Cheryl Scieszinski - Albia, IA - Friend** - December 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *I as so shocked when I heard of Jeannie's passing. My heart is breaking for u guys. Thinking of you all love to all.*

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**Tami Brown - Lingle, WY - Friend** - December 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Dear Ted and family I am so sorry to hear of Jeanne's passing. I was glad to get to meet her this last summer at our family reunion. Times like this are very tough but over time the hurt will subside. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you!!

God Bless

Lynda Miller and family

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**Lynda Coberly Miller - Anamosa, IA - Cousin** - December 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TI

“ SO SORRY to hear about JEANNE GOD BLESS ALL.

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**tish sinnott - albia, IA** - December 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Our hearts are heavy with you as we mourn your loss. We were blessed to have Jeanne in our Family. We pray that God will comfort you and keep her memories close and dear to your hearts.

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**Bill DePriest Family - Corydon, KY - Cousin** - December 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PI

“ Dr. Church and children, Beary family,  
How quickly life changes....I am so very sorry to hear of Jeanne's sudden, unexpected passing. May God strengthen you and may you find comfort as your family and friends gather together.

Patty Hannam

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**Patty Hannam - Albia, IA** - December 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ As one of Jeannies classmates at St. Marys and a member of Class of 73, know she was always loved and will be missed. Deepest sympathy to the family.

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**Mary and Don Carr - Urbandale, IA - friend** - December 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Sending our prayers for peace for your family. May God hold you in his hands and comfort you in your time of need.

*Diana and Steve Mote*

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**Diana Mote - Torrington, WY** - December 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Sorry to hear about Jeanne. I will always remember the lunches that we all had together while you both lived in Torrington, the New Years parties and the times that we had with you and Jeanne. I will always remember that she always had a smile and was very enjoyable to be with. My condolences to you and Andi and JT. She will be missed by all that knew her.

*Joe and Sally*

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**joe and Sally Welte - Torrington, WY - Friends** - December 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MI

“ I am so very sorry for your loss to the Church and Beary families. You all will be in my thoughts and prayers. My love to everyone,  
*Mary Jo O'Brien Wright*

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**Mary Jo O'Brien Wright - Mt.Pleasant, IA** - December 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ To the Church & Beary Families;  
Our family sends our deep heartfelt sympathies out to the Ted Church family & The Beary families for their loss of Jeanne Beary Church.  
although we never knew her Im sure Jeanne was raised much like many of her siblings and we can see alot of her thru them like sis Jackie Maddy, who I and my 3 children grew up knowing as this wonderful, caring, patient person who loved Family, Friends, The Church & our Lord, she is a great teacher and mother and sibling also.  
I went to school with Paul Beary, he also shares some of the same values.  
Know that Jeanne is in our thoughts and prayers.  
Sending Hugs your way,  
Love The Ballalatak Family  
Jim & Deb  
Kristin Ballalatak-Kirk & Ryan, SammyJo and Andrea

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**Jim & Deb Ballalatak - Albia, IA - family friend** - December 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ To Jeanne 's Family we have all been touched by Jeanne.....we miss her and love her...please know that....she was funny, caring, loving, and above all a true freind....there will be a hole in my heart forever....Mj

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**Merrijane Morgheim - Torrington, WY - friend** - December 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MI

“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Our deepest sympathies go out to your family and the Beary family at this difficult time.

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**Mike and Donna Judge - Albia, IA** - December 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MI

“ Mark and I are so sorry to hear of the Beary Family loss. We are with you in our thoughts and prayers. With such a large family, I believe there will be lots of great stories being told.

*Mark and Cecilia Wilson*

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**Mark Wilson - Bussey, IA** - December 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WF

“ So very sorry to hear of Jeanne's passing. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time. Love to all, Joe and Wanda Flahive

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**Wanda & Joe Flahive - Albia, IA - friends** - December 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ Dr. Church and all of the Beary family--We were so shocked to hear of Jeanne's death. We are thinking of and praying for Dr. Church and his children as well as the entire family. We have known the Beary family since the late 1920's. Agnes made her First Communion with Jeanne's mother in Melrose. More recently, Rita and her sister went to school with the five youngest Beary children, and we know Jeanne's sister, Jackie, through her work at St. Mary's. Finally, Agnes is a patient of Dr. Church. Jeanne left us too early, and the only true comfort is our belief that she is heaven with God--may this belief provide comfort and peace to Dr. Church and the extended Beary family.

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**Agnes and Rita Gergely - Albia, IA - Friend and Patient** - December 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Kenny and I are so very sorry for your loss. We really got to know Ted and Jeanne when we lived in Morton, WA.

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**Brenda Cooperman - Houston, MO - cousin** - December 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ *Ted and Family,*

*We were so very sorry to hear about Jeanne. You will all be in our prayers as Our Lord sweeps over you and gives you peace and comfort in this time of pain.*

*Ken and Family*

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**Ken Cooperman - houston, MO - cousin** - December 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ *Dr Church, I just wanted to let you know I am thinking of you and your family during this sorrowful time.*

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**Wanda Stephanie - Former nurse at MCHC** - December 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ *Mere words are inadequate to express the sadness we feel about your loss of wonderful Jeanne. Dr. Ted, hold tight to your memories of Jeanne for comfort, draw on your faith and your friends for strength and always remember how much we care for you. Although no words can truly ease the pain of loss you bear, remember that you are daily in our thoughts and prayers. May the peace drawn from the memories of the love you and Jeanne shared comfort you now and in the days ahead. And may God hold you in the palm of his hand.*

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**Paul & Vickie Puebla - Torrington, WY - Friends** - December 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Dear Ted and family...  
We are at a loss for words ... sending our deepest condolences and hugs.  
I hope it is reassuring to you to know that God's people never say goodbye for the last time. We can look forward to a great reunion in Heaven.  
May  
this bring you and your family peace.  
Love and prayers,  
Jerry & Sheryl Lindsay

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Sheryl & Jerry Lindsay - La Verne, CA - cousin - December 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Dr Church and family;  
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your wbeautiful wife, mother, sister, aunt, and to many a dear friend. I know that death is never easy to accept, but I know that when it is so unexpected it adds to the grief. Please remember:  
  
Death leaves a heartache  
No one can heal;  
Love leaves a memory  
No one can steal

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Karey Brandon - Albia, IA - Friend - December 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ my prayers are with all. I WISH WE COULD HAVE been able to, have seen each other more..I would come to the funeral had we enjoyed better weather. SHE will be there with Grandma Judge and your mom and dad,,,,,, and mom.... Prayers and love Dorothy Irene curran steinberg God Bless all

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dorothy irene curran steinberg - mason city iowa, IA - her mom was my first cousin - December 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM