



## Joyce Elaine DeWeerth

January 14, 1933 - December 16, 2023

Mrs. Joyce Elaine DeWeerth, age 90, of Arab, Alabama passed away Saturday, December 16, 2023 under hospice care at her residence. Mrs. DeWeerth was born January 14, 1933 in Peoria, Illinois daughter of William Millard and Mary Boundy Millard. She and her husband, Bernard “Butch” DeWeerth, enjoyed over 63 years together. They have resided in Arab for several years after relocating from Burlington, Iowa. Joyce spent her career working in the finance and banking business. She was an active member of Arab First United Methodist Church. She gave her full support to the various mission programs sponsored by the church. She especially supported the nonprofit United Methodist UMCOR, where 100% of donations are directed to earmarked projects and /or relief efforts.

Joyce loved traveling and visited overseas several times. She was always involved in something. Those activities might be involving church, crafting, wood painting and decorating, sewing, supporting basketball and baseball, or making her beloved Holly Hobbies.

Services for Joyce will be January 6, 2023 at the Arab First United Methodist Church in Arab, Alabama. Friends and family will gather for a visitation from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. The Memorial Service will immediately follow at 11:00 a.m. The Reverend Henry Prater will officiate.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to either Arab First United Methodist Church (1058 N. Main Street, Arab, AL 35016) or to Shepherd's Cove Hospice (408 Martling Road, Albertville, AL 35951).  
Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel, Directing

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Arab First United Methodist Church  
1058 N Main St  
Arab, AL 35016

## Memorial Service

JAN 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ We have wonderful memories of Butch and Joyce, as they were great friends of my parents, Bev and Tony Sorcic. They met at the donut shop in Arab years ago, shared a table, and decided to meet every Saturday in the future for donuts and fellowship. They became close friends and this friendship spilled over to Jay and I. We so enjoyed the company of Butch and Joyce, picking cherries in our back yard, or seeing them out and about. Butch-the love you showed Joyce was/is so amazing and you guys were an inspiring couple to all who knew you both. Please know that Jay and I are thinking of you at this time and will continue to keep you in our prayers. Love Always-Jay and Tracie Bayer

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**Tracie Bayer** - January 08, 2024 at 02:38 PM

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“ Heaven gained an angel. My dear Aunt Joyce. I will always cherish all the summers spent in Burlington with her and Uncle Butch. So many memories of crafts, cooking, baseball games and shopping. My condolences to you Uncle Butch. Much love always.  
Your niece,  
Danielle DeWeerth

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**Danielle** - January 06, 2024 at 12:56 PM

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“ Our deepest, heartfelt condolences to Butch. Joyce and Butch were my parents (Vi & Abe) closest loving friends while I was growing up. They extended their love to my wife Patti and we had many memorable outings with them. I'm forever grateful to Butch when he hired me @ Consolidated Freightways during my summers in college. I worked for him and additional year after my graduation before I left for a successful career @ Caterpillar Inc. Congratulations too Joyce and Butch on a long, loving marriage of 63+ years. Godspeed Joyce.

*Don & Patti Abel  
Morton, IL*

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**Don Abel** - December 21, 2023 at 11:38 AM