



Donna Jewell Arellano

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ARELLANO, DONNA JEWELL WILBANKS born September 13, 1963 to Jerry and Monika Wilbanks in Little Rock Arkansas, passed away on December 27, 2009 in Richardson, Texas. She was preceded in death by her father. Donna is survived by her husband, David Arellano; daughter, Ava Savannah Arellano; mother, Monika Wilbanks; sister, Cheryl Ann Francis; and brother, Scott Wilbanks. A visitation will be held at the Memorial Chapel at Restland Funeral Home on Wednesday, December 30, 2009, from 6:00-8:00 PM. Services will be Thursday, December 31, 2009, at 10:00 AM in Memorial Chapel.



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DS

Daniel Salas posted:

May God Bless you and your Family and always keep you as he did in life. I Loved you for the longest time, and you will always have a place in my Heart.

August 11 at 6:00 PM

FS

Faith Saulsberry posted:

A month ago I pulled out your banana pudding recipe. You made this for me when I was pregnant. That was the best banana pudding I ever had. Because you shared this recipe with me I now can continue to make this great dish.

July 28 at 5:22 AM

KA

Kelly Ashley posted:

Jerry and Monica, Cheryl and Scott: So sorry to hear about Donna's passing. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

March 29 at 4:30 AM

CT

Cathy Tuggle posted:

I cannot believe it has been almost a year since you've left us. I miss you dearly. You were such a beautiful person on the inside as well as the outside.

December 4 at 6:06 PM

JV

Jennifer Villarreal posted:

Donna... your laugh was contagious. I will never forget it or you. Miss you so much. My prayers are with you and your family.

February 22 at 6:12 PM

AH

Anne Holland posted:

Donna was as beautiful on the inside ,as she was on the outside. When I look back, it seems she was always in a hurry. She walked fast, talked fast ,worked fast..... I wish, just this once, she wouldn't have left us so fast. We will feel your loss for a very long time.

January 14 at 1:55 PM



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FS

Faith Saulsberry posted:

Donna, you had a great spirit. You was always full of energy and excitement. I know you are in Heaven making the angels laugh. Those who knew will always keep you in their hearts.

January 14 at 8:52 AM

RC

Randy Crabbe posted:

Donna was nothing but the best at what she did. Not just a co-worker, but a genuine person. She was loved by all who had the opportunity to work and know her. From the very first time that I met Donna I knew that she was a special person. She talked about her family constantly and I know she loved them dearly. We will miss you so much....

January 13 at 3:05 PM

EL

Erin A. Lirette posted:

David and Savanna, the two people she adored and loved the most. I am so sorry and so sad. I loved Donna. Donna was a very special friend to me. I had the opportunity to work with Donna and in these last six years, I can say that I was blessed by her being in my life. Donna was the biggest positive inspiration inside and out, she always looked at the brighter side of things. I will miss her so much. David and Savanna and family you are in my prayers.

January 11 at 6:54 PM

JS

John Steinman posted:

Donna, was a very funny and enjoyable person to be around. You made each day a little better.

January 11 at 2:40 PM

TB

Terri Barreras posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with the Arellano Family. Donna was a very good and caring person. It was an honor to have known her. I will miss her.

January 1 at 7:49 AM



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RH

Ronnie Honeysuckle posted:

My deepest condolences. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family.

December 31 at 6:14 AM

SG

Shirley Barnes Gudino posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you. Donna was beautiful person inside/out. May the Lord comfort you all.

December 31 at 4:41 AM

SG

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December 31 at 4:41 AM

CT

Cheryl Carter Taber posted:

I was blessed to go to school and live near you for 12 years, and also to be good friends with you for 40 plus years. We did some pretty crazy things, but always had loads of fun!!! You always had a smile on your face, and a bubbly personality!!! I am soo glad we had the time with friends in the summer of '08. You will forever be in my heart!! I WANT SAVANNAH TO ALWAYS KNOW WHAT A WONDERFUL, LOVING, AND CARING MOTHER SHE HAD!! I know you are in Heaven now, and looking down on her, your husband, family, friends!! Someday we will see you again!!!

December 30 at 3:45 PM

LR

Lori Rollins posted:

Will be keeping the family in our prayers.

December 30 at 3:00 PM



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PD

Paula Lewis Duran posted:

Donna I will miss your smile and laugh and all the good times we had in High School.Meeting up last year Little Rock was great and I will treasure that time always. You are truly a one of kind person, your light in your life was bright and people were drawn to you,I will miss you deeply but always smile when I think of you!

December 30 at 2:15 PM

RC

Raul & Frances De La Cruz posted:

David, Savannah & Family: Please accept our deepest condolences. Donna was a beautiful person, vibrant and so caring of others who will always be remembered with warmth and affection. May your hearts be comforted by all you shared as memories live on forever. Your Friends, Frances & Raul De La Cruz

December 30 at 9:26 AM

RA

Robin Covert Arredondo posted:

Donna – You were always such a wonderful person. I am saddened that we didn't keep in touch, but my memories from high school are forever. Yes (Guido) was one of my favorites as well. I hope your family (Cheryl – my sister Tammy thinks of you often) finds comfort in the fact that you were always true to yourself. Peace be with you.

December 30 at 5:04 AM

VF

Valerie Flynn posted:

Donna I will miss you more than you know, you were a wonderful friend and always found the good in everyone. I will remember you always. My deepest sympathy to your family. To David and Savannah, you were the love and light of her life. Valerie

December 29 at 4:15 PM

JV

Jennifer Vaughan posted:

Thank you Donna for being exactly who you were and thank goodness you were my friend. You made me laugh constantly and I love that I will think back on those things and laugh all over again. I will remember all of it forever and miss you always , Love Jennifer

December 29 at 1:27 PM



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SL

Stella Langley posted:

My heart goes out to Donna's family. I had the honor of working and becoming a friend to Donna. She was such a fun loving, caring, giving, considerate, generous, smart, beautiful person, inside and out. She always had something good to say about everyone. She was great to be around and wish we had more people in this world like her. I will miss her dearly.

December 29 at 9:49 AM

RS

Richard Sheldon posted:

David and Family, I wanted to let you know that you have my greatest sympathy, and my heart is truly saddened. My sincere thoughts and prayers are with you.

December 29 at 9:33 AM

ST

Sally Torres posted:

Donna will deeply be missed by many. She was a beautiful woman, so full of life and so inspirational. I will forever treasure our friendship and will never forget her smile followed by her unique laugh. She was definitely "One of a Kind"! I know I am not alone, as I express how cheated I feel by her passing..at the same time, I am so proud to be one of the fortunate ones to have met her.....David, Donna loved you unconditionally and you and Savannah were everything to her... My condolences.....Sally Torres..Friend...

December 29 at 8:12 AM

RV

Ralph & Delma Valdez posted:

Our heart goes out to the family during this difficult time. She will be greatly missed. -Ralph & Delma Valdez

December 29 at 7:42 AM

PE

Patsy Sky-Eagle posted:

DONNA, I MET YOU IN 1ST GRADE WE WERE BEST FRIENDS FROM THEN ON. THE MEMORIES I WILL KEEP CLOSE TO MY HEART AND I THANK GOD I HAD YOU AS A BEST FRIEND FOR 40 YEARS. MY PRAYERS GO TO YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR MANY FRIENDS I WILL NEVER FORGET YOU OR STOP TELLING MY DAUGHTER THE STORIES OF OUR ADVENTURES.. ((GUIDO)) ILL NEVER FORGET.... I LOVE YOU. FRIENDS FOREVER PATSY

December 29 at 7:20 AM



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KW

Karen (Conrad) Weems posted:

Donna was a beautiful person inside and out. Last I saw her she was so funny and made us all laugh as we talked of our childhood memories. Remembering her will always bring a smile. Donna will always be in my heart and my memories. My deepest regrets go out to her family and friends. She will be greatly missed. Karen Weems

December 29 at 3:53 AM

DW

Dymond Williams posted:

Deepest heartfelt condolences to family. Donna was and is a very lovable, caring and selfless lady. She always put others first and will be missed greatly. God Bless.

December 28 at 5:57 PM

CT

Cathy Tuggle posted:

Donna was so beautiful! I looked up to her all my life growing up! Whenever someone would say that I favored her, it was like being told that I was the "Most Beautiful Girl" in the world! That's what I thought of Donna! Donna always had a great attitude on life and everything! I wish I could be 1/2 the woman she was! David, Donna told me that you were the best husband that anyone could ever have! She was so blessed to have you in her life! She was also so happy to have such a wonderful and beautiful daughter! Savannah looks like her Mom...the "Most Beautiful Girl" in the world!

December 28 at 4:46 PM

CJ

Clarence And Shirleane Jones posted:

Donna was a very nice person. We are deeply saddened by her death. She will be missed.

December 28 at 1:06 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Donna by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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