



## Diana L. Caswell

July 31, 1951 - June 27, 2009

Diana L. Caswell, age 58, of Frankfort, NY, passed away on Saturday, June 27, 2009 at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center with the love and support of her family.

Born in Meshoppen, Pennsylvania on July 31, 1951, Diana was the daughter of the late Richard L. and Reva (Abrams) Caswell. She was raised and educated in Wyalusing, PA and graduated from Kutztown University with a BS in Library Science.

Diana was employed by the Whitesboro Senior High School for 33 years and was the Media Department Chairperson when she retired. Endowed with wit and wisdom, she was a voracious reader with a keen thirst for knowledge. She dearly loved her family and was a devoted aunt to her niece and nephews. She loved traveling when she could, and her daily walks. She also enjoyed tending to her flowers and baking for her friends. She was a board member of the Salvation Army and she attended the Whitesboro Presbyterian Church.

Diana is survived by her brothers and sisters-in-law, Rick and Diane Caswell of Narvon, PA, and Bill and Lisa Caswell of Wilton, CT; her niece and nephews, Sarah, Nathan, Bryan, and Matt Caswell; and several aunts, uncles and cousins. She also leaves many dear and cherished friends, too numerous to mention.

The family wishes to acknowledge the nurses and staff of the ICU and the Special Care Unit of the St. Elizabeth Medical Center, as well as her doctors,

for their compassionate care.

In keeping with Diana's wishes, there will be no public visitation. By family request, please omit floral offerings. Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend Diana's Memorial Service and Celebration of Life which will commence on Saturday afternoon, July 18, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. at Whitesboro Presbyterian Church, corner of Elm and Main Street. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial contributions in Diana's honor to the Salvation Army or the Whitesboro Presbyterian Church; envelopes will be available at the service.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

# Previous Events

## Service

JUL 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

Whitesboro Presbyterian Church  
Elm & Main Streets  
Whitesboro, NY

# Tribute Wall



“ My most heartfelt sympathy to the entire Caswell family. Diana was most definitely one of a kind. The thing I will remember about Diana the most is the curiosity that would arise when she entered a "challenge" - that being something that she did not know (which was little to begin with). She would begin her search and would not give up until she found the answer. The look on her face when she would "win" was priceless - and once again she knew she had conquered!!! One could ALWAYS count on Diana. I shall miss her.##imported-begin##Jackie Pezdek##imported-end##

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July 25, 2009 at 07:54 PM



“ Rick and Bill-  
Remembering your sister and our great times in the WVHS Library Club with fondness. Kay##imported-begin##Kay Welles  
Homer##imported-end##

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July 20, 2009 at 09:21 AM



“ I'm so saddened by the loss of long-time friend and colleague Diana. We shared so many memories and laughs in the library and lunchroom at work. I loved her family stories and felt as if I knew her parents, brothers, niece and nephews. (I think Sarah lived in the same Riverknoll apartment at RIT that my daughter Jen lived in several years later) We were each others' "Secret Santas" many times. We especially loved the wonderful trip to Italy and France last year. As Sylvia put it, we are now the "Fab Four + 1 Angel". I'll miss Diana very much. She enriched the lives of all her friends.##imported-begin##Mary Anne Lorenz##imported-end##

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July 17, 2009 at 02:23 PM



“ I am so saddened by Diana's death--a sadness that is shared by people who knew and worked with her. Diana was so bright and so talented and so willing to share her gifts. As one who knew her throughout her career at Whitesboro, I have many memories--from our days of car pooling in the 70's and the many laughs we shared riding back and forth to work, to our meetings for work, where we often shared raised eyebrows at one comment or another, to our small summer birthday gathering, where Diana kept the record (are you surprised?), and seemed able always to find a unique gift. May you be comforted, as I am, by memories of Diana at her best.##imported-begin##Katherine Chester##imported-end##

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July 17, 2009 at 01:50 PM



“ Miss Caswell was my high school librarian. In 1986, she introduced me to a book on the recent discovery of the Titanic and it has been an obsession for me ever since. Later in life, I applied for employment at a Media Library. The Librarian there asked me if I could name my high school librarian. Proudly I said, "Diana Caswell". "Would She remember you?" She asked. I knew she would. Later I learnd that she was checked as one of my references. When asked about me, she replied "Of course I remember Mark. I would trust him with my life and my purse!" That got me the job. I still work in a library to this day. Miss Caswell was a vital part of my high school life. She was a special lady. How unfortunate that more kids won't have the chance to know her and be inspired by her. She will be missed.

Mark Tillson

Whitesboro Class of 1989##imported-begin##Mark E. Tillson Jr.##imported-end##

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July 15, 2009 at 02:14 PM



“ My deepest sympathy to Diana's family. I had lunch with Diana and listened to all her wonderful stories about her family she loved so dearly. I will miss our conversations, retirement breakfasts and "summer birthday" parties. I'm sorry we did not get to take conversational French this fall. With fond memories I say, au revoir mon amie!  
Love, Gigi###imported-begin###Georgianne (Gigi) Pirillo###imported-end##

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July 09, 2009 at 11:46 AM



“ I'm sorry to see that Diane passed away please pass on my regards to the family. I went to school with Diane###imported-begin###eugene ryan###imported-end##

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July 09, 2009 at 09:31 AM



“ I am so sorry about Diana's loss. I don't really have the words to tell you how I feel about her. She always felt like more of a sister to me than a friend. This is such an unbelievable loss to all of us. One comfort that we all have is the kind of life and tetament to the Lord that her gift was to all of us. Please know that she will be in my heart forever!  
Love,  
Susie###imported-begin###Sue and Rusty Scott and family: David, Jim, Matt, & Becky###imported-end##

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July 05, 2009 at 05:09 PM



“ We were so sorry to hear of your loss. I can still hear her laugh when she would visit the store. She will be missed. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Doris Sharer##imported-end##

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July 05, 2009 at 04:51 PM



“ I had the pleasure of working with Diana Caswell as a student and a co-worker. My sympathys on her loss.##imported-begin##Andy Frank##imported-end##

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July 04, 2009 at 09:53 AM



“ To the Caswell Family:  
I just learned of Diana's passing. Like so many others, I fondly recall all of the stories of Diana's youth and the proud stories of her brothers, their wives and the accomplishments of her niece and nephews.  
We've all learned of your parent's grocery store, we know that Diana's mom sometimes played the organ for funeral services of family pets, we've learned of Bill, Rick, Sarah, Nate and each of her younger nephews, still in Pennyslvania. She was proud of you all!  
We were all blessed to share the journey with her. The very best of wishes to you and your family in all the days to follow.##imported-begin##Tammy Smith##imported-end##

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July 01, 2009 at 10:02 AM



“ MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO DIANA'S FAMILY.

(REVA WAS MY COUSIN)

BONNIE##imported-begin##BONNIE KINTNER  
BARNES##imported-end##

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June 30, 2009 at 08:21 PM



“ I was shocked and deeply saddened to hear of Diana's passing. Please know that all of you are in my thoughts and prayers as you go through this difficult time. I hope that it will bring some comfort to you that Diana is with Uncle Dick and Aunt Reva now. My three Caswell cousins and Aunt and Uncle always made me feel so good when I got to spend some precious time with them. It was all about fun and laughs...which I desperately needed. I'll cherish those memories forever. My thoughts of Diana will always be happy ones.

With sympathy and love to Rick, Diane, Sarah, Nathan, Bill, Lisa, Bryan, and Matthew - from your cousin Janet.##imported-begin##Janet Caswell##imported-end##

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June 30, 2009 at 06:07 PM



“ Diana and I worked closely together for 30 years, sharing lesson plans, plan periods, lunches and meetings. We've discussed families so much that I feel as though I know you all. Diana was very proud of "her kids" and always had new "Aunt DeeDee" stories to tell. I, also, have a brother and we have often laughed over the "plight" of being the princess of the family! We also cried together over the loss of our parents. The retirement years have separated us from the daily encounters, but notes and retiree breakfasts have kept us in touch. The next breakfast will not be the same without her. I shall miss my friend.  
With love, Lynn Widrick###imported-begin###Lynn Widrick###imported-end###

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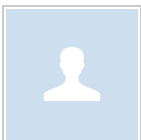
June 30, 2009 at 04:00 PM



“ Rick, Bill and families  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families at this sad time. I have lovely memories of Diana and all the other Caswell's. She is now reunited with Dick and Reva. Please know that others are sharing your loss and sorrow.  
Ron, Ree Ann Ross and Alice Hardic###imported-begin###Ree Ann Ross###imported-end###

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June 30, 2009 at 01:30 PM



“ TO DIANA'S FAMILY OUR FRIENDSHIP STARTED 21 YEARS AGO LIVING NEXT DOOR TO MY MOTHER.I WILL MISS THE LAUGHS WE HAD IN THE BACK YARD SHE WAS A GREAT PERSON WE WILL MISS HER . THE SPANFELNERS###imported-begin###JULIE SPANFELNER###imported-end###

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June 30, 2009 at 09:15 AM



“ *Our relationship began as a student/teacher relationship and it continued with a friendship of a never-to-be-forgotten mentor.*

*I am so sorry for your loss. Diana will always be remembered as the person with all of the surprises! She truly loved and spoke very highly of her family (especially her nieces and nephews). She will be missed dearly by all here at Whitesboro (especially within the library department).*

*She touched all of our lives, but I was the fortunate one to have been mentored by her and "shown the way."##imported-begin##Wendy Egresits##imported-end##*

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June 29, 2009 at 05:16 PM



“ *To Diana's Family,*

*After twenty-five years or more of sharing lunch, library time, and lots of laughs with Diana and our other colleagues at Whitesboro. I feel like I already know many of you, especially her brothers, their wives, and their children. Come to think of it, I feel like I knew her mom and dad too. She told so many wonderful stories about all of you. I remember hearing of Nate and Sarah's births, babyhoods, toddlerhoods, high school and college days, and young adulthood. She was so proud of those kids!*

*It's hard for me to fathom that Diana won't be at our next retiree breakfast, cracking jokes and telling us about the latest book she's read. I will miss my friend Diana greatly.*

*With sincere sympathy,*

*Bronny Davis##imported-begin##Bronny Davis##imported-end##*

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June 29, 2009 at 05:13 PM



“ *To The Entire Caswell Family*

*Just to let you know that you are in our thoughts and prayers as you yet lose another wonderful family member.*

*we shared some very good times with DianaShe was one lucky lady to have the love&support of her family.*

*love John&Karen##imported-begin##karen smalser##imported-end##*

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June 29, 2009 at 09:10 AM