



Anna Belle Boswell

December 8, 1924 - November 24, 2018

Anna Belle (Alsup) Boswell was born on December 8, 1924 in Ava, Missouri. She died at her home in Nanjemoy, Maryland at the age of 93 on November 24, 2018.

Anna's career began when she saddled her horse Topsy, rode to Douglas County's one room school house and taught students in grades 1 through 8. Her patriotism and sense of adventure led to enlistment in the Women's Army Corps. After military service, Anna transferred to the Pentagon where she met and married Elwood Boswell. Together they raised a family and after more than 30 years of government service Anna retired from the Department of Labor. Anna's curiosity, love of learning, and tenacity encouraged the development of her many talents. Inspired by a river vista, she created numerous paintings. In winter she liked to knit hats, sweaters, scarves, and socks. Her gardening and cooking skills produced delicious fresh fruit pies, dilly beans, fried okra, ratatouille, dandelion wine, and many other family favorites. Passionate about music and theater, Anna was a successful starring actress with the Port Tobacco Players. Her feisty spirit and tough but fair nature will never be forgotten and is well reflected in her family and all whom she lovingly invested herself.

She was the daughter of Charles Noel Alsup and Trilby Vivian Estes. In addition to her parents, she was also predeceased by her husband, Elwood S.

Boswell; her brother, Charles; and her sister, Grace.

She will be greatly missed by her brother Tom; her sister, Jane; her daughters, Cindy and Carol; five grandchildren; five great grandchildren; and a host of others.

A private family celebration of life will be held at a future date.

Memorial donations may be made to: Hospice of Charles County, 2505 Davis Road, Waldorf, Maryland 20603 or the National Aphasia Association, PO Box 87, Scarsdale, New York 10583.

Tribute Wall



“ *Anna Belle Boswell*

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Anna Belle Boswell*

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *Enjoyed spending time on the river with Mrs. Boswell and family as a kid. Thanks for the memories.*

Jonathan Moreland - December 11, 2018 at 06:58 AM



“ *We have such lovely memories of Aunt Ann. We remember her to be a beautiful, independent, creative, and caring woman. She wore a permanent smile on her face, and always extended extreme hospitality whenever you visited her. She always wanted to know what was going on in your life, and she was always so easy to talk to. Meals were always an abundant display of tasty recipes, and many of the ingredients came from her garden.*

Even though they didn't see each other often, she and my mother were "best of friends" since they had so much in common. They could talk for hours. Both women proved they could handle anything that life threw their way.

She will be sorely missed, but the angels in heaven are rejoicing that Aunt Ann is now sharing her gifts with them. Blessings to her family!

Libby Boswell - December 05, 2018 at 02:13 PM

MC

“ Grandma will always hold a special place in my heart. I loved being able to visit during summers. I have so many childhood memories of spending time with her and Grandpa. One of the most tough, loving, hard working, and caring person. I had the privelage of calling her Grandma. She will live on through us and my children. Amazing woman! I will miss most of all playing cards and enjoying meals together. Love you Gramdma

Marty

Marty Campbell - December 05, 2018 at 09:54 AM

JC

“ Carol and Cindy, sad to hear of the passing of your mother. A great lady.

John and Joyce

Joyce Candland - December 04, 2018 at 08:31 PM

CH

“ Grandma will be greatly missed! I have wonderful childhood memories of summers spent down on the farm with her and the rest of the family. The river, crab feasts, cherry cobbler, card games, and the list goes on. I loved spending time with her and Grandpa in Florida too! She was so welcoming of my friends. It was always a treat to come visit. We even went to water aerobics together!

I will forever hold her in my heart, and I feel fortunate to have grown up with such a fun and loving Grandma. I'm so happy that she was able to meet her great grandchildren too!

*Love,
Cara*

Cara Hayes - December 03, 2018 at 10:37 PM

SB

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. I have some good memories visiting as a child.*

Shaina Bates - December 01, 2018 at 02:49 PM

SA

“ *Hey guys!*

I hope these emails are still good. I guess they are if you're reading this. So sorry to hear about your mom. I was just talking to Tom about her a couple of weeks ago--wondering how she was doing. She sure lived a full life. All my memories of her and you guys are precious--especially when you helped us feed the cows. Sorry I've been so lousy at keeping in touch. Love you guys!

Steve Alsup

Steve Alsup - November 30, 2018 at 05:59 PM

KH

“ So sorry to hear of Aunt Annabelle's passing. I've been thinking about her ever since I read your email. Your mom was an amazing woman. I always admired her spirit of adventure, her willingness to try new things, and her open heart. I'm proud to have an aunt that stood up and served our great country back when women serving in the military was a novel idea. She was a trail blazer! Most of all, I really admired her strength. Auntie Belle could handle absolutely anything.

I have so many great memories of her entertaining me and my friends when I lived in the D.C. area. I can picture her so clearly in the crab house laughing, cracking crabs, and drinking beer.

Sending much love to you, Cindy, and the whole family. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

Kris

Kris Hegle - November 30, 2018 at 05:00 PM

JH

“ Sorry to hear this. She was a wonderful aunt and reminded me so much of my mother. At times I would look at her and think she was my Mom.

Her obituary was nice to read and very well written. She would be proud.

Our condolences to all.

Jim and Brenda.

Jim Huff - November 30, 2018 at 04:55 PM

MA

“ So sorry to hear that. I will miss her. I'm glad her passing was peaceful. Thank you for letting me know. You and Cindy will be in my prayers.
Margaret

Margaret - November 30, 2018 at 04:55 PM

BH

“ Carol,
I'm so sorry to here about your loss. I know how hard times like this can be. Although I wasn't able to spend a great deal of time with Aunt Anna Belle and her family, you all have always had a special place in my memories and heart. Please pass my condolences on to Cindy and her family. Hopefully our paths will cross again. Your welcome at our home in Kansas anytime.
Cousin Bill Huff

Bill Huff - November 30, 2018 at 04:48 PM

CA

“ Dear Cindy, Carol and family,

I'm sorry to hear of your mother, Anna's passing. My heart is with you at this time.

I loved reading the lovely write up of her spunky nature and accomplishments representing her zest for life.

I have warm, fond memories of your mom! She always treated me kindly. I remember her as having a fun, engaging, and interested spirit! We shared many fond memories with you, our cousins that included your sweet mom and dad. We continued to visit them in their later years because they were always so loving and interested in us. I felt like they really wanted to see me and my children and know what I was doing.

She was well loved and will be greeted now by those who have been waiting for her.

My love and sympathies to you and your family.

*Love,
Cheryl B. Mallory*

Carol - November 30, 2018 at 04:46 PM

PS

“ We are thinking of you and your family as you mourn the loss of your beautiful mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She was an amazing person, strong, kind, loving, intelligent, artistic and so much more. She was always so welcoming to me and my family and it was a privilege to know her. Yes I remember the dily beans! May she Rest In Peace.

Love Patti and Dave



Patricia Snyder - November 29, 2018 at 08:07 PM