



Ella Marie Waterhouse

January 28, 1947 - September 26, 2024

Waterhouse, Ella Marie (nee Melvin) of the Dogtown neighborhood of St. Louis, Missouri, was born January 28, 1947 in St. Louis, Missouri to Johnnie and Geraldine (nee Lewis) Melvin and entered into rest Thursday, September 26, 2024 in Webster Groves, Missouri at the age of 77 years.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Johnnie and Geraldine (nee Lewis) Melvin and her husband, former St. Louis Alderman William (Bill) Waterhouse.

She is survived by her children, John (Lisa) Waterhouse and Laurie Waterhouse (Tony Mueller); three (3) grandchildren, Michael "Mike" Waterhouse, Allison "Allie" Waterhouse, and Ryan Waterhouse; and great-grandchild, Grace Olivia Waterhouse; along with numerous other extended family and friends.

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of a beloved woman, cherished by her family and community.

Ella, better known as Marie, was a loving wife, a devoted mother, and a doting grandmother and great-grandmother who found her greatest joy in spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A proud resident of the Dogtown neighborhood in St. Louis, Marie believed in

giving back to her community and took immense pride in her city, serving for many years as the St. Louis Democratic Committeewoman in the 24th Ward and supporting her husband during his tenure on the St. Louis Board of Alderman.

For over 30 years, Marie worked at the St. Louis Post-Dispatch as the personal assistant to the esteemed owner and founder, Joseph Pulitzer III. Her dedication and loyalty were hallmarks of her career, and she made lasting contributions to the publication during her time there.

After Marie's retirement, she found a love for leisure and fun, and could be found frequenting the St. Louis casinos to play the slot machines and was always up for meeting friends for a good margarita or a last-minute invitation to Seamus McDaniel's in Dogtown.

Marie's Irish roots remained a central part of her identity, and she never lost her passion for celebrating her heritage. A true fighter, she battled cancer with immense strength and courage, surviving multiple rounds before ultimately losing her final fight.

Marie will be remembered for her warmth, spirit, and the love she shared with all who knew her. Her legacy lives on through her family, friends, and the vibrant community she worked so hard to support. She will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by all who knew and loved her.

A Memorial Visitation will be held on Saturday, October 5, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. at CHAPEL HILL MORTUARY, 10301 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, Missouri 63122. A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, October 5, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. at Chapel Hill Mortuary in Kirkwood, Missouri. In lieu of flowers the family has asked that donations be made on behalf of Ella Marie Waterhouse to Mercy Hospice St. Louis, 1630 Des Peres Road, Suite

305, Des Peres, Missouri 63131.

Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at www.stlfuneral.com and follow details of this event and others in the community at www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill.

Cemetery Details

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Kirkwood

10301 Big Bend Road
Kirkwood, MO 63122
(314) 965-8228
info@stlfuneral.com
<https://www.stlfuneral.com>

Previous Events

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“ *Natalie and Joseph Corbett (Italiano) purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ella Marie Waterhouse.*



Natalie and Joseph Corbett (Italiano) - October 03, 2024 at 09:50 PM

JS

“ *Sorry for your loss Marie will be missed.*

Jon M Springmeyer - September 30, 2024 at 06:21 PM

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“ *I am so sorry to hear of Marie's passing. I truly enjoyed her company and she was a wonderful person. God rest her soul. My sympathy and prayers to Laurie and John and the rest of the Waterhouse family.*

Pam Donatt - September 30, 2024 at 04:25 PM



Ruth
Murphy

“ My late husband Bob and I have known Marie and Bill for a long time. Marie and I shared the same birthday and called each other butt buddies. We had many get-togethers through cars and our Dragster, Bill was one of the crew who always showed up in time to check the spark plugs and help Bob in any way possible. When we moved into our home, Bill (as an electrician) wired our house with another friend who passed away, Ron Zulpo. We had a chili fest yearly at our house and Marie and Bill were always present. We would go to the St. Patrick's Parade and then onto Seamus McDaniel. Laurie was always there because she lived upstairs. Marie, you will be missed, my sweet friend. I love you, Bill, and your wonderful family. RIP your fight is finally over. Fondly, Ruth Murphy

Ruth Murphy - September 30, 2024 at 04:00 PM



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“ We will miss you dearly Marie. Not only am I thankful for all the fond memories but also thankful to you for raising two of my favorite people in this world.

Lisa Allen - September 30, 2024 at 03:47 PM