



## Wanda Mae Williams

January 16, 1929 - January 17, 2016

Wanda Mae (Vandervort) Williams, age 87, died on January 17, 2016 – just a few hours after her 87th birthday of complications from Alzheimer’s. She was born in Monroe County, WI, in her grandparent’s farmhouse on January 16, 1929 to Alvin and Leola (DeWitt) Vandervort. Wanda spent her childhood and school days in Richland Center, WI and graduated from High School there. She married Merwin E. “Mel” Williams on July 26, 1948. They were married 67 years. To this union were born Sally Achenbach (friend Jerry Fischer), Sherry (Don) Hearn, and Sara (Steve) Law. Wanda is survived by her husband of 67 years, 3 daughters, 4 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, sisters-in-law Sue Vandervort & Darlene Cooley.

She was preceded in death by her parents, baby brother Billy Vandervort, siblings Gale Vandervort, Bonnie Kelley, and grandson Grant.

Wanda was a bookkeeper and office manager for car dealerships in Colorado Springs, Colorado, Tennessee, and in Wisconsin. Wanda received her end of life care from Sannes Skogdalen Heim Nursing Home in Soldiers Grove, Wisconsin. Wanda was a wonderful wife and mother. She will be deeply missed.

As per her wishes, there will be a private memorial service at a later date. Memorials may be sent to the Alzheimer’s Association in her memory. The Clary Memorial Funeral Home in Richland Center assisted the family with arrangements. On line condolences can be made at [www.clarymemorialfuner](http://www.clarymemorialfuner)

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# Tribute Wall



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**RACHEL SANTINE** - September 20, 2016 at 01:11 PM

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“ *I loved horses, from the time I could walk. My mother never fussed about such a dangerous sport, even as I got hurt several times...But I must add that she saw never real fond of the horses. I only saw her ride one time and that was on my paint mare Patches when I was 17...around in a circle and off..she had enough. She did have a special place in her heart for the colt of Patches whom I named Cherokee (Cherry) and she used baby talk on him all the time. Was a funny and fantastic memory. Love you mom. Miss you. Sara lee, the baby of the family*

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**Sara Law** - February 05, 2016 at 08:07 PM

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“ *My mother was a lovely lady. She was strong and intelligent and a positive, productive woman. She taught me how to work hard and take pride in whatever I did. Nothing ever really bothered her and I'm glad she is finally at peace and in the arms of our Lord Jesus Christ where I know I shall see her again. My sister Sally was such a treasure to her in the last months of her life and gave her love and care and attention. God bless her for all she did for a lady who gave so much.*

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**Sara Law** - February 05, 2016 at 08:03 PM

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“ Wanda (mom) was a kind, gentle wife and mother and will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her. She had such a positive impact on her family and friends, and had joyously traveled widely in her younger days, living life to the fullest. She was brave and courageous for many years in battling a debilitating disease until the very end. I take great comfort in knowing she's entered a well-deserved rest in the presence of God, and that I will see her again one day, whole and well.

*Love you mom!*

*Sherry Santine Hearn (middle daughter in Montana)*

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**Sherry Hearn** - January 29, 2016 at 02:04 PM

 Rachel Santine

“ Sherry Williams was added to the Family Tree.

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**Rachel Santine** - January 28, 2016 at 06:41 PM

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**Rachel Santine** - January 21, 2016 at 01:14 PM

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**Rachel Santine** - January 21, 2016 at 01:13 PM

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“ *I remember my Aunt Wanda as a very friendly and caring person. Mel and Wanda and the girls always lived a distance from my family, but whenever we got together they were always glad to see us, and interested in what had been happening in our families. I'm sad to see her gone now, and wish the best for Mel, Sally, Sherry, Sara and their families.*

*Love,*

*Fred Kelley, (nephew, son of Bonnie)*

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**Fred Kelley** - January 21, 2016 at 11:11 AM



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*Grandma Wanda was the greatest to me. She was intelligent, well-dressed, hard-working, and really good at remaining calm and objective if there was ever a conflict. She was a true Vandervort to the very end, dignified and polite to all around her. I am beyond sad that grammy is not with us anymore. There is truly a hole in my heart that my memories are working overtime to fill. My love and best wishes to Sally, Mom (Sherry), Sara and Grandpa, Mel.*

*Love,  
Rachel Lynn Santine  
Sherry's Daughter*

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**Rachel Santine** - January 21, 2016 at 11:26 AM