



Elizabeth Dotson Whitmore

September 12, 2012

Elizabeth Dotson Whitmore, 36, lost her battle to breast cancer on Sept. 12, 2012. A loving daughter, wife, mother, friend, and teacher, she leaves a legacy of love, courage, and strength with her parents (Bob and Daleen), husband (Wes), sons (Jack and Max), grandmother (Leona), in-laws (Betty and Dick), sister-in-law (Heather), aunts, uncles, countless devoted friends, and former students. Beth was the person who walked into a room and her smile drew you to her. Early in her life she was a member of 4-H, a cheerleader at Alexander High School in Albany, Ohio, and past Athens County Fair Queen. She attended Ohio University and received her bachelor's degree in education in 1998. Later that year she married her soul mate and middle-school sweetheart Wes Whitmore. She realized her dream of becoming a teacher, most recently with Dublin City Schools, and a mother to sons Max and Jack, in whom she will live on. When she was diagnosed with Triple-Negative Breast Cancer, in true Beth fashion, she used her strong determination, the love of her family, and support of her friends to face treatments, surgery and radiation. Beth fought for the time that she had left to be with her family and friends and make memories that will last a lifetime. She is a warrior, a hero, and a role model. She taught us that every moment of life is precious and should never be wasted. She showed that love, patience, kindness, and courage are hallmarks for which we should all strive. Beth was taken from us too early in her life, but we will forever carry her in our hearts. We love you Beth! Her family invites you to join in honoring and celebrating Beth and the

impact she had on everyone she met beginning with calling hours from 2-5 p.m. on Sunday, September 16 at RUTHERFORD FUNERAL HOME AT POWELL, 450 W. Olentangy St. (Powell Rd./St. Rt. 750/1/4 mile east of Sawmill Pkwy) Powell, OH 43065. Services will be held at 10 a.m. on MONDAY, September 17 at the POWELL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 825 E. Olentangy Street (1/4 mile west of St. Rt. 315) Powell, Ohio 43065. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you support a benefit held in her honor at www.only4bethwhitmore.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Elizabeth Dotson Whitmore

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ Dear Whitmoore Family- The five of us all had Beth as a second grade teacher from 1999-2000, her first year in Dublin. As long ago as that was, each one of us still remembers her well, and was so heartbroken to hear that she passed away. She was so special and her class was where our friendship really began, a friendship that has now lasted 12+ years. I specifically remember that year being the best of my elementary school career. I remember we had a class pet mouse named Murray, the field trip to the Franklin Conservatory we took, and even the party we chose to throw at the end of the year because it was such a special one-- no doubt that was because of Mrs. Whitmoore. Even now, as a third year at Ohio State, I have no trouble remembering how special she was, and how lucky we were to have her as a teacher. I am so sorry for your loss, my thoughts are with your family. --Rachel Salay I'm so sorry for your loss. Mrs. Whitmoore was a wonderful person and teacher. She brought my best friends for the rest of our Dublin City schools education together. I hope one day to be an elementary teacher as respected and loved as her. --Claudia Margaroli My friends and I were all a part of Mrs. Whitmoore's first class at Thomas elementary, and none of us have ever forgotten how lucky we were to be a part of that. I wanted to tell you that I am so sorry for your loss, and that none of us will ever forget her. --Bailey Farthing Mrs. Whitmoore was an extraordinary teacher and an even more amazing woman. I'm so sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers are with your entire family. --Nicki Adams

Rachel Salay, Bailey Farthing, Claudia Margaroli, Nicki Adams & Grace Rechel -
October 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Wes, we are so sorry to hear about Beth. We send you our deepest sympathy as our hearts ache for you and your family.

Eric & Bobbi Burris - September 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I worked with Beth at Thomas for several years and she was always so kind and thoughtful and an absolutely wonderful teacher. She will be greatly missed.

Jodi Cooper - September 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Bob & Daleen: We are so sorry to hear about Beth. We send you our deepest sympathy.

Bob & Sharon Horel - September 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ My sincere condolences to the family. I will always remember Beth as Athens County Fair Queen....she made 4H so fun for so many kids. Thank you Beth for your ray of sunshine!

Rebecca Starlin - September 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ May memories of Beth be of comfort to you during this difficult time. In sympathy, Jenny (Miller) Jordan & family

Jenny Jordan - September 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ I went to school with both Beth and Wes I am so sorry to hear about your loss, prayer and thought to your family.

Amanda Douglas - September 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Wes, we are so shocked to hear this news. We are thinking of you and your family and praying for all of Beth's loved ones. May she rest in peace...

Susan and Erich Stehle - September 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

HG

“ Wes and family im sending my most sincere condolences to all of you. Beth was a beautiful, courageous women. Her legacy will now live through those adorable boys. i pray u can find peace and rest just knowing she is no longer suffering. God bless u all. love, heidi

Heidi Gavrilovic - September 16, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ We are so sorry for your loss. We cannot imagine how devastating this is. You are in our thoughts and prayers

Dan and Susan Cabeen - September 16, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Thinking about you all during this very sad time. My heart goes out to each and everyone !

Lori (Turrill) Guthrie - September 16, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ My thoughts and prayers are with each and everyone of you! May God keep you strong and give some you all peace and comfort during this difficult time.

Lori Taylor - September 16, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ You all have our most heartfelt sympathy at this time. May God bless you all and we will keep you in our prayers. Words cannot express our sorrow.

Bob & Marty amoran - September 16, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Truly sorry for your loss. Mrs. Whitmore was Mady's 4th grade teacher at Dublin and a teacher that Mady will always remember. She was her favorite teacher. She will be missed greatly.

Krista and Madyson Fogle - September 16, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Prayers for your family in this difficult time.

Pat Bahr - September 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ We will never forget Beth and her beautiful smile and laugh. We will continue to pray for you and your family.

Craig and Kelli Woycke - September 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ When we were in 4H a goat stepped on my foot and broke 7 bones. I was sitting there crying my eyes out when all of a sudden a sweet girl came over to console me....now i pray that her family be consoled. Rest in peace, dear Beth. I'll love you always.

Patti Crawford - September 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ To Wes, boys and Beth's family - Our deepest sympathy. We were saddened to hear of Beth's passing but know in her life as a wife, mother and friend she brought much joy to those who had the pleasure of knowing her. We send our thoughts, prayers and strength today and in the days to come. May the Lord bless you and keep you all now and forever.

Ray and Jen Williamson - September 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Bob and Daleen, I'm so sorry! Marcia

Marcia Kieliszewski - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ Dear Bob, Daleen, Wes and family, I am so terribly sorry, words are so inadequate at a time like this. I am praying for all of you. Sending my love, Carolyn Khurshid Albany, OH

Carolyn Khurshid - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ I am very saddened by the news of Beth's passing. I have so many great memories of playing with her, watching movies, singing along to pop songs, and drinking hot chocolate with mini-marshmallows. My heart goes out to all of you. Beth was a great person inside and out. Ali

Alice Yeagley Carrier - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ Remembering with you and sharing your sorrow. *Lifting You In Prayer. II Cor.1:5 For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also aboundeth by Christ. II Cor.1:7 And our hope of you is steadfast, knowing, that as ye are partakers of the sufferings, so shall ye be also of the consolation. (KJV) All our Love, Darrell, Brenda, Jacob and Andy*

Brenda & Darrell Dotson, Jacob, and Andy - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *Wes, Bob, Daleen and family - My heart aches for you all. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Love to you all.*

Staci White - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WS

“ *To Beth's family: I remember her as a vibrant little girl lighting up the neighborhood & school with her antics. Our son Josh was in Beth's classes throughout most of their time in the Alexander School system. Please know that you are all in our thoughts & prayers.*

Wendy & Bill Serbonich - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ *Beth was a fabulous teacher to my son who had her just 2 years ago. She helped to steer him on the right track and went above and beyond as a teacher every day! We will miss her! So sorry for your loss!!*

Samantha Johnson - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ *My heart and prayers goes out the family of Beth Whitmore.*

Cathy Janes - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Bob, Daleen, Wes and boys, Beth was such a sweetheart you loved her the minute you met her. You're in our hearts and prayers. Love, Rollie and Kellie

Rollie and Kellie Merriman - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ I am so sorry to hear this... I just can't believe it. I am a former student of Mrs. Whitmore's, from her first year at Scottish Corners. I remember all the great times I had with her throughout the year, there was never a dull moment. She is such an inspiration.

Kim Maximovich - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Dear Wes, We have nothing but wonderful memories of you and the "girls" of Sigma Kappa at Ohio University. Beth was a joy to be around. I am walking the Susan Koman Walk tomorrow and I will walk in honor of Beth. Prayers to you with love. Carol and Jay Braden

Carol and Jay Braden - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Sorry for your loss and may God bless and comfort you with pleasant memories of Beth. We will pray for your family

Pat & John Moore - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

HL

“ Wes, Jack, Max, Mr and Mrs Dotson - my heart is breaking for all of you. You are all in my constant thoughts and prayers. It was an honor to be friends, sisters, and roommates with Beth. Our friendship lasted through many years and many miles and I miss her already.

Holly Limbert - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ When I got on facebook and read that Beth had passed, a flood of memories went through my head. I met Beth when she first came to Albany. Her family bought our house on Reynolds Ave. She was a very special person. My heart breaks for Wes, the boys, and the rest of the family and friends. I would like to send my condolences to you all. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Jenny Metts - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM