



THE WILDERNESS CENTER

AND



*Present the winners of the Most Romantic
Story Contest for the
The Eighth Annual
Romantic Moonlight Serenade
Saturday, June 26, 7-10 p.m.*

June 11, 2010

Dear Mary & Bill Westphal of Canton, OH:

Here is their story:

“A mutual friend tried to set up a date for my future husband, Bill and myself. At the time, Bill didn’t want to call me first because he knew his half-brother had a crush on me in school, so..... I called him. Our dating consisted of all the usual stuff, movies, eating at our favorite restaurants, making lots of plans, etc. and after he found out I like to fish and hunt... well, we have been fishing and hunting together ever since. He is always telling his buddies that I’m the only one he wants to fish and hunt with.

We’re not just married, but best friends. We have had our ups and downs like most couples, but have always worked hard to make a good life for ourselves.

We had just celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary last spring when Bill was diagnosed with cancer and given only 6 months to live. We are now fighting the biggest fight of our lives as we both were not ready to give up... after radiation and continuing with chemo - he is doing better and has outlived the original 6 months and happy to say that we are fishing again. Bill is truly one of a kind, as he knows how to make me laugh when I’m down and I try hard to do the same for him. We make every day that we are together count now more than ever, and we look forward to celebrating the next 25 years together.

Contratulations Bill and Mary. They have won tickets to Romantic Moonlight Serenade, a large picnic basket, a long-stemmed rose and an overnight stay compliments of the Amish Door Inn.

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