



**I'm a real Annette Funicello fan since the first day she was a Mouseketeer, but had lost my own childhood paper dolls of her. I managed to get these this week: Vintage 1958 and original cost was 15 cents! Never too late to have fun!**

**Stephanie Hammonds  
Boston, Massachusetts**

My wife and I have enjoyed watching Annette, and following her life story, ever since she was on the Mickey Mouse Club back in the 50's. I thought she was the cutest girl on the show, the most talented and my special sweetheart. My wife wanted me to say that she is one of the only celebrities she likes because Annette has never had bad news come out about her. My wife met Annette and her husband at a Costco book signing several years ago, and thought she was "delightful". We wish her the best,

**Matt and Joan Dixon  
Bellevue, Washington  
(Pictured in Naples, Italy)**



Annette used to play a character named Dee Dee I wanted to change my name! Tell her she's got yet one more fan who was awestruck by her and never forgot. She never let me down in any way. In fact, she is inspirational! Tell her, she is cherished

*Susan in Berkeley*

I never had the honor to meet her in person. I am 10 years younger than her, so I grew up with the Mickey Mouse Club, and have been a HUGE fan ever since. I have tons of movie mags, and I am a passionate scrapbooker, so I plan on doing myself a Annette scrapbook with all my photos and articles. I was THRILLED to see that your magazine had her on the cover and did an article. Thank you soooo much for remembering her. A #1 fan...

*Debbie Emamalie*

In the early nineties during a shopping trip with Annette in Encino, she pointed out a pair of foam shoulder pads "that were the best."

Of course, I bought a pair and yes, they were really great. I was dismayed when a few months later I lost one of them on another marathon shopping day. I live in Canada and couldn't find them anywhere. When I told Annette, she just laughed and said that it had happened to her too.

"No problem, I'll mail you another pair." (See handwritten note below.)

A couple of weeks later a brown envelope arrived with the pads and her note. It said, "I'm sure the mailman thinks these are falsies and actually they could be used for that. Hope you enjoy them either way. Love ya, A."

This is only one of many humorous memories I have of Annette and many also of her mom, Virginia. The Funicello family gave much too many. I'm glad you asked for friends and fans to share memories, it's nice to remember the happy times.

**Mary Lou Fitton**

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**I've had the wonderful privilege of knowing her and Glenn for at least 20 plus years. We first met when we opened the Walt Disney World Studio Park. They were asking some of us "older" Managers, who remembered how to drive 50's cars with stick shifts on the column, to drive the invited Stars for the Grand Opening Parade. I told the person making the arrangements, a friend of mine, that I would volunteer but only if I got to be Annette's driver. I was! We worked together many years with the Bear and Doll Fair. Annette and Glen often used my office as a place to rest, get away from the noise and confusion, or have a soft drink.**

**Rev. Spencer Craig  
Orlando, Florida**

