



Dorothy Friend Byrd

September 6, 1933 - July 11, 2016

The Life of Dorothy Friend Byrd

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful servants. PSALM 116:15

God has called another angel home. Having been hospitalized at Memorial Regional Medical Center, on July 11, 2016, Dorothy Friend Byrd entered into eternal rest with our Lord and Savior. She was born on September 6, 1933 to the late Gertie Mae and Alexander Friend, Sr. in Amelia County. Dorothy was the oldest of ten children.

After moving to Richmond, Dorothy met her husband, the late William E. Byrd, Sr. They were united for 64 years and built a nice life together raising their children.

At an early age, Dorothy joined Union Baptist Church in Amelia County where she was very active serving the Lord. Church and its gospel have always been a part of Dorothy's life. After moving to Richmond, she joined two other churches that were close to her neighborhood before making her final church home at Rising Mount Zion.

Because of her love for helping others, Dorothy received a nursing certification from MCV. She worked as a Supervisor in the central sterile

supply area for 20 years before retiring. For the next 20 years, she worked as an in-home health care nurse until her health failed.

Dorothy found joy in serving and caring for others. She was truly a loving caregiver. She enjoyed traveling, going to dances and dressing to the nines. She loved talking on the phone with her sisters and brothers.

In her later years, Dorothy's grandchildren and great-grandchildren brought her so much joy. She really cherished spending time with them. At any given time, usually once a month, she would host a keeping the family together party, as she liked to call it. She will definitely be missed by all.

Dorothy leaves to cherish precious memories, three children: William Byrd, Jr. (Bernice), Diane Turner and Connie Seabron (Tyrone); six sisters: JoAnn Thompson, Auna Wilson (Clyde), Mae Taylor, Mary Simmons (Alphonso), Maria Davis (Jarues) and Martha Smith (Douglas); three brothers: Alexander (Ella), George (Shirley) and John (Charmane); five grandchildren, one of whom she raised, Lamont Standberry; fourteen great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Previous Events

viewing

JUL 15. 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel
Richmond, VA 23222

Family Hour

JUL 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Rising Mt. Zion Baptist Church
2705 Hartman St.
Richmond, VA 23223

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothy Friend Byrd*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Condolences to the Byrd family from the Scott, Booker family of Amelia VA.*

Thomas&Barbara Booker - July 16, 2016 at 12:13 PM



“ *To the Family of Mrs. Dorothy Byrd*

The late Mrs. Dorothy Byrd and my family have been neighbors for over 50 years. We will always cherish the times we shared as neighbors and friends. As neighbors we cared a lot about each other. Your kindness to me and my family will never be forgotten. It has been a pleasure being your neighbor. You will be missed. Today we pray that the Byrd Family find peace and comfort in knowing that you are no longer in pain. May the family find peace and comfort in knowing that although we dearly love you it is God who loves you best. Our heartfelt sympathy to all of you.

Mrs. Wilnette Johnson Green and Family

Mrs. Wilnette Johnson Green - July 16, 2016 at 11:19 AM

TJ

“ To the Family of Ms. "Dot", my heart goes out to you on your loss of such a wonderful lady. Connie & Diane don't forget the patio luncheon (Girls Day) that she scheduled just to make sure we continue to have a good time and enjoy each other. Ms. Dot thank for the memory



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Tonua Johnson - July 15, 2016 at 07:25 AM

RH

“ Please accept my sincere condolences to the family and friends of Dorothy Byrd. The Bible reveals that it is God's purpose to restore the dead to life by means of a resurrection to a paradise earth, where sickness and death will be no more. Jesus said: "The hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out."— John 5:28, 29; Revelation 21:1-4. I hope that this scripture message bring you some comfort during your time of distress.

R Harris - July 13, 2016 at 07:52 PM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

March Funeral Homes - July 13, 2016 at 03:06 PM