



Dorothy Rivens

July 10, 1915 - September 2, 2011

AUNT DOROTHY to some , AUNT DOTTIE to most, was born in Stafford County, Virginia on July 10, 1915 and went Home to be with her Savior on September 2, 2011. It was through God's grace and mercy that we had the privilege to love her for so very long.

At an early age, she and her family left Virginia and moved to Baltimore, Maryland; and it was here that she met the love of her life, Elijah Buster Rivens. She fondly called him "Bus" They shared a loving marriage for more than thirty-two years. They were very active members of St. John's Christian Community Church from its earliest roots on Greenmount Avenue to the present site. They also participated in various organizations of the Church. Although they childless , they became known as the neighborhood's Aunt/Uncle, Mom /Dad to everybody's child and loved all of the children the same. They never overlooked a child in need.

Aunt Dottie loved to cook and cook she did! She never prepared a meal just for the family in the house, but always prepared enough food "just in case someone stopped by..."which they usually did, especially if they thought she had baked a cake. If she did not know you , but thought you were hungry,she'd say "Come on in and have something to eat." Of course later the family would discover she really did "know" the person, except she just could not always remember their name... and to her it just did not matter, they

needed to be fed.

Thanksgiving and Christmas were special events in her house with Christmas taking first place when it came to the food. Sometimes she would be up half the night baking those white icing cakes, pound cakes, chocolate cakes, ham, turkey those different parts of the hog with their unique Combinations, collard greens, White Potatoes, rice, stuffing, green beans... well, you get the picture and oh, those sweet potatoes pies that made your toes curl up! If you wanted her to make you a special cake and she was not sure about how to make it, you had to settle for whatever she baked and you were still happy.

Her nieces, Queenie, Lucille, Helen and Annie Belle, six great-nieces, thirteen great-great-nieces, three great-great-great-nieces, three great-nephews, three great-great-nephews, and seven great-great-great-nephews will miss her dearly.

Cemetery Details

Baltimore Cemetery

Baltimore, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

SEP 6. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore
1101 East North Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21202
(410) 727-3300
info@marchfh.com

Wake

SEP 7. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St James Christian Community
Baltimore, MD

Service

SEP 7. 12:00 PM (ET)

St James Christian Community
Baltimore, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothy Rivens*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Dorothy, You were such a big part of my childhood on Paddington Road in Baltimore. I have thought of you so often over the years and so regret losing touch. Miss Emma just passed and it made me want to find you - but, I am too late. I recognized your photo right away. Thank you for being a part of our RUSSO family and being so present when mom was so ill and passed. I owe you a debt of gratitude for always being there. Much love to you in your eternal rest. Much love to you Dar! Love, Mary Russo Rau.*

Mary E. K. R. Rau - March 26, 2022 at 03:30 PM



“ *Your Neice Sharon lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Rivens*



Your neice Sharon - November 07, 2011 at 12:50 AM



You will be forever in my heart, Aunt Dottie. Now spread your wings and fly!

Your neice Sharon - November 07, 2011 at 12:51 AM

GF

“ I am so sorry for your loss. May "the God of all comfort" (2 Corinthians 1:3,4) comfort and soothe your heart. His promises, found in the Holy Scriptures, can offer much hope. It assures us at John 5:28,29 that our loved ones will be remembered and brought back to life in the resurrection. Please allow God's Word to strengthen you and help you to endure this most difficult time.

Geoffrey Ford - September 14, 2011 at 08:57 AM

EJ

“ To the family of Aunt Dorothy, I offer my condolences and sympathy. I had the opportunity to spend some time with Aunt Dorothy and she was wonderful to be around and have a conversation with. Anne don't hesitate to let me know if you need anything or just to talk.

Evette Jones - September 06, 2011 at 01:38 PM

AD

“ To the family: My deepest sympathy and condolences. please take comfort from the holy scriptures during this time of loss and grief. the Bible promises to take away death and its effects of tears, pain, and saddness forever. revelation21:3,4 says that Jehovah god will take these things away and they will be a thing of the past.we look forward to that promise.

audrian dixon - September 06, 2011 at 10:27 AM

MS

“ You don't know me but as one of Jehovah's Witnesses I would like to offer my condolences to your family. Death is such a terrible thing for a family to go through, I actually lost my mom about 2yrs ago. I'm truly grateful that I have the truth about death and look forward to the future when there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.”—ACTS 24:15. I'm sure you would love to see your dead loved one again! Any Jehovah's Witnesses that you meet would love to show you in the Bible the truth about death! Again so sorry for your loss!!

Ms Springer - September 06, 2011 at 08:48 AM

RJ

“ May our loving heavenly father comfort you in your hour of sorrow. Losing a loved one is truly heartbreaking, and I am so sorry for your loss. May the wonderful promise of the ressurection be a comfort to you in the days ahea. The bible gives us assurance that there will be a ressurection of both the righteous and the unrighteous. Acts 24:15 How wonderful it will be when our loved ones come to life again. As God promises: He will wipe out every tear from our eyes and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore.. Those former things will have passed away. May your precious memories of Dorothy give you much strength and endurance tto cope with your loss.

Rita Johnson - September 05, 2011 at 09:48 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 - September 04, 2011 at 05:09 PM