



## Dorothy Lee Slater (McWilliams)

January 9, 1938 - May 9, 2024

### IN REMEMBRANCE OF DOROTHY LEE SLATER

Our beloved Dorothy Lee Slater peacefully gained her wings on May 9, 2024. She was 86 years young.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Matthew and Edna Slater, Sr., whom she adored; Seven siblings: Catherine Goodall, Leroy Slater, Matthew Slater, Jr., Ruby Wiggins, James Slater, Rosalie Slater, and Alfred Slater.

Dorothy was born in Sumter, SC on January 9, 1938. Shortly thereafter, her parents relocated to Richmond, VA. She grew up in the Church Hill area. She attended Richmond City Public Schools. Upon reaching adulthood, she then entered into the work force, married, and began raising a family. To know her was to know she loved her family. She was well known back in the day for her good cooking. She could “throw down” in the kitchen. Dorothy was also known for her weekend socials, decorative skills in and outside her home, and her fashion. She took pride in herself and had her very own jazzy style. She loved her suits and wore them well.

Dorothy was affectionately known by many names, which she answered to them all with a smile. She was called Ma, Momma, Mumma, Mother,

Grandma, Gran, GiGi, Auntie, Dudlee, Dosalie, Dot, Ms. Dorothy, Ms. D, Mother Dorothy, and Momma T. (There is a story to this one). I'm sure you have your own special name and she loved them all.

She showed so much love and compassion to all. Dorothy fed anyone hungry and those who needed help getting food. Dorothy was a hard-working woman and always made sure her family had what they needed. She worked for many years and well after her retirement age. This was because she thoroughly enjoyed her job, the people she worked with, and the children she engaged with daily. They all referred to her as "Grandma". Dorothy was known for giving encouragement and great advice.

Above ALL else, she loved Jesus Christ and would proudly let everyone know it. She felt compelled to share the love of Christ to everyone she encountered and would boldly witness to God's immeasurable love and healing power. Dorothy accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior in her adult life. She was a member of New Covenant Apostolic Church. Prior to coming to New Covenant, she attended Grace and Mercy Church. She LOVED her church! She would have gone every day, if she could have. That's just how much she loved the "Word" and enjoyed worshiping with her church family. She would stand and testify, telling of the goodness of God, and all He had done in her life. One of her favorite sayings was, "ALWAYS put God first".

Dorothy's faith in God was strong. She had many trials and tribulations during her 86 years of life, but her faith in God never wavered and God honored that. He never left her side and kept her in the midst of it all. She firmly believed in the power of prayer. She prayed daily to keep her connection and her relationship with God strong. The Word of God and prayer is what got her through any situation she faced. Dorothy was an avid believer in prayer and would often go up for prayer at the end of services. If prayer was offered, she took it and if it wasn't, she would ask for it. Prayer gave her the peace, the

comfort, and the reassurance that only God could give. She was also a huge believer in forgiveness. Why? ...because GOD said to do it. She taught her family to forgive, even when others hurt or mistreated them. Dorothy had such a loving heart and a kind and gentle spirit. She was a classy lady who demonstrated tremendous strength, grace, poise, and integrity. She was loved and cherished by many and will be greatly missed.

Dorothy leaves to honor and cherish her memories her devoted children: Willie Turnage, Jr., Brenda Robinson(Anthony), Michael Turnage, Denease Jones(Antonio), and Odell M. Foster(Andre'); Sisters: Hannah Mathis(Bill) and Barbara Slater; Grandchildren: Dominick Spell(Natalie), Chasity Adkins(Jeff), Naja Robinson, Keymon Satterwhite, Anthony Robinson, Jr., Deandre' Foster(Jermiah), and Daisha Foster; Great grandchildren: Dominick, Jr., Desmond Spell, Deandre' Foster, Jr., Aubree Adkins, and Jiya Foster; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, church family, and many friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road  
Richmond, VA 23223

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 22. 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Ave.  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Family Hour

MAY 22. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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## Celebration of Life

MAY 23. 12:00 PM (ET)

New Covenant Apostolic Church  
2129 Ford Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23223



# Tribute Wall

RB

“ *Rest well Auntie. Condolences to the family.*

*from Rosalyn Bagby, Waverly sr, Waverly jr, kyana, kiesha, Tyrell,  
Zay and Mir*

Rosalyn Bagby - May 23, 2024 at 06:50 AM



*Thanks Cuz* ❤️

Odell Foster - May 31, 2024 at 06:43 PM

TJ

“ *“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.”  
(Matthew 5:4) May many joyous memories bring you peace and  
comfort at this time. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Love,  
Lawrence, Theresa and Brielle Jones (Owings Mills, MD)*

Theresa Jones - May 22, 2024 at 10:27 PM



*Thanks so much!*

Odell Foster - May 31, 2024 at 06:41 PM



Odell Foster - May 31, 2024 at 06:44 PM

AM

“ We will truly miss our sweet and precious friend. We will forever cherish the many years of laughs and tears we have shed over the years. While we will miss hearing her soft spoken words and seeing the love in her eyes whenever she saw us, we know that she is peaceful in the arms of her Savior. We love her and will keep you in our prayers.

Sis. Annie Morgan and Tee-Tee

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**Annie Morgan** - May 22, 2024 at 06:28 PM



Thank you. We appreciate it!❤️

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**Odell Foster** - May 31, 2024 at 06:43 PM

KB

“ Kirk and BK purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Dorothy Lee Slater (McWilliams).



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**Kirk and BK** - May 21, 2024 at 07:46 AM

SF

“ Satterwhite and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dorothy Lee Slater (McWilliams).



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**Satterwhite and Family** - May 19, 2024 at 03:41 PM

HF

“ *Hannah and Bill Mathis and Family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Dorothy Lee Slater (McWilliams).*



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**Hannah and Bill Mathis and Family** - May 19, 2024 at 01:20 PM

KE

“ *My deepest condolences to the family. Im so sorry to hear the news of yall mom passing. Such a sweet lady. Praying for yall family to get the strength you need. Much love to you all. (Keyvette)*



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**Keyvette** - May 17, 2024 at 07:21 PM



*Thanks Keyvette ❤️ We appreciate it.*

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**Odell Foster** - May 31, 2024 at 06:45 PM

JB

“ *I would like to express my condolences to the family of Ms. Dorothy as we call her at Market Village MamaT. What a beautiful soul we would talk about them Soap Opera all the time. I know she will definitely be missed. May God be with the family at your time of need he will guide you through.  
Janet #329*

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**Janet Bland** - May 16, 2024 at 04:32 PM



*Thank you so much! You know she loved talking about The Young & The Restless and Bold and the Beautiful.LOL Thanks for always treating her with kindness. She enjoyed talking with you 😊*

**Odell Foster** - May 31, 2024 at 06:48 PM



*“ Wow, what a beautiful picture of Aunt Dorothy. Anyone can look at this and tell she was a kind and tender spirit. She will be missed by many. I extend my condolences and prayers to the family during this time of grief.*



*Niece Lesa Thomas*

**Lesa Thomas** - May 16, 2024 at 02:10 PM



*Yes fam, she will be missed. Thanks for your condolence. We appreciate it ❤️*

**Odell Foster** - May 31, 2024 at 06:50 PM



*“ Aunt Dorothy was always so sweet and kind to me. I loved her. I will miss her smile. Rest in Heavenly Peace dear Angel.*

**Debra S Bagby** - May 15, 2024 at 04:14 PM



*My condolences to the family*

**Debra S Bagby** - May 16, 2024 at 09:54 PM



*Thank you ❤️*

**Odell Foster** - May 31, 2024 at 06:50 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.

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**March Funeral Homes** - May 14, 2024 at 03:50 PM



We Thank you for your kindness and Professional services. Thanks for your care of our Beloved Mother. It means more to us than you know.



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**Odell Foster** - May 31, 2024 at 07:01 PM