



## Dorothy Lucretia Hughes

July 11, 1934 - July 22, 2020

Dorothy “Dot” Lucretia Hughes, of Orlando, Florida, died July 22, 2020 at the age of 86, at her home. A memorial service is to be held via Zoom on Saturday, August 22, 2020 at 2:00pm CST.

Dorothy was born July 11, 1934, in Illinois, to Roy and Edna Ransom. Along with her five siblings, she spent her childhood on a farm near Dixon, Illinois. She met her future husband, Richard Hughes, at a youth group gathering. They were married on February 12, 1954 in North Carolina. Richard, a welder in the U.S. Navy, and Dorothy lived in Virginia, Florida and Illinois along with their growing family. They finally settled in Polo, Illinois.

Dorothy held different jobs throughout her life, but her longest and most important role, was as a stay-at-home mother and homemaker. She is survived by her nine children – Terri (Jim) Sunderland, Debbie Aroche, Pam (Stan) Nichols, Cindy Bauer, Greg (Kristi) Hughes, Doug (Joellyn) Hughes, Mike (Karen) Hughes, Chris (Ben) Parker and Sarah Hughes. She is also survived by twelve grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren, with the ninth on the way.

Dorothy was one of Jehovah’s Witnesses. She had a great love of Jehovah and a strong faith in the bible and its teachings, including the hope it holds out for the future.

Dorothy was quick with a smile or laugh, and had those around her laughing with her quick wit. She found joy in music; playing the piano and, even until the very end, she could rarely be found when she wasn't humming a tune. She loved playing games, especially cards, with her family; somehow, she always seemed to win, too.

Dorothy was preceded in death by both parents, sister, Frances, and her husband, Richard.

# Tribute Wall

CB

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Cheryl Berrington - August 19, 2020 at 11:22 AM

CB

Grandma was always there when I was little. I spent as much time at her house as I did at my own. She will be forever missed. I love you.  
Cheryl

Cheryl Berrington - August 19, 2020 at 11:24 AM



“ One of my memories of Aunt Dorothy was when she made pans wedding cake. I was so awesome she did that. The more recent memory was when Pam brought aunt Dorothy and Jackie to visit my mom and she said to me I'm told I know you but o don't remember you. I did not know she was I'll. I was like 😭😭 Aunt Dorothy. She always had a smile through it all

Brenda Rice - August 04, 2020 at 01:34 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dorothy Lucretia Hughes.



August 03, 2020 at 12:25 PM

SL

“ Stan and i met dick and dorothy in 1971,when they studied with us. They remained close friends the entire time . Dorothy especially, had the greatest sense of humor, with her conntagious laugh and her giggles! she will be missed,but only for a short time...our love to the family...stan and sandy lewis

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**Sandra lewis** - August 03, 2020 at 11:33 AM



“ In the unique position of being the first of nine I have watched as Mother continued to gracefully add to her home another flower in her cherished bouquet of living roses, each of which could feel safe and loved under her care, encouraging each of us to be the best version of ourselves. Whenever I asked how she did it all she would smile and say “You just do what you need to.” I appreciate her wonderful example of loyalty and strength. Love You always Mom, Terrie # 1

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**Terrie Sunderland** - August 01, 2020 at 02:51 PM

DH

“ I walked my bike up to the porch with a flat tire and my lower lip sticking out, Mom came out with two butter knives, peeled the tire from the rim, patched the tube, put it back together, and I was pumping air back into it in what seemed like only 2 minutes. I was amazed and still am. Whether I was six or now fifty-six she'd always make any boo-boo better. I miss her. Doug, child #6

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**Doug Hughes** - July 31, 2020 at 04:01 PM

GH

“*“Number one son” was what she always called me. I think it was from the old Charlie Chan movies. She was always so quick witted. I'm still amazed at how she took such great care of us all.  
Best Mom Ever!  
Kid #5 Greg*

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**Gregory Hughes** - July 31, 2020 at 01:07 PM

BP

“*Dorothy was always very kind and cheerful. Once she gave me a hard time when I picked up my wife while we were dating on a motorcycle. She said do you know the difference between a Hoover and a Harley. I said no. She said a Hoover will only carry one dirt bag. She got the best of me that day but thankfully her daughter married me anyway. Her positive attitude and love for others is a cherished memory!  
Ben P.*

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**Ben Parker** - July 30, 2020 at 08:03 PM

CP

“*She was my favorite person. I'll miss her loving personality.  
Kid#8  
Christine Parker*

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**Christine Parker** - July 30, 2020 at 07:57 PM

CB

“ I always wanted to be like my mom, with the exception of the 9 children, of course. :-). I asked her once why she had so many and she said she loved babies. And love us, she did. She said once to me, “these are my children, these are my gold.”

*I pray my mother knew how much we all loved her and I am thankful that she doesn't have to be a shell of her wonderful self anymore.*

*I feel blessed to have her as my mother and will miss her every day.*

*Cindy Bauer, child #4*

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**Cindy Bauer** - July 28, 2020 at 10:28 AM



*Hugs Cindy*

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**Brenda Rice** - July 28, 2020 at 05:38 PM

RR

“ One of the most outstanding things I remember from years ago, was that Dorothy could hear a piece of music and then sit at the piano and play. We always wished we could do that. Glenn & Ruth Ransom

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**Ruth Ransom** - July 27, 2020 at 01:41 PM

PN

“ My Mom's smile could light up a room like you wouldn't believe. She was very quick witted and would have you laughing 😂 till your sides hurt. I miss her too 😞. I love you, Pam

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**Pam Nichols** - July 26, 2020 at 08:04 AM

DA

“ My mom loved to play cards. I will always have fond memories playing cards with Mom, Cindy and Pam when I would visit them in Florida. I miss you Mom. I love you, Debbie

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**Debbie Aroche** - July 25, 2020 at 03:29 PM

PN

Those were the best times ever! 🥰. And not sure how 🤔 but she always won 😊

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**Pam Nichols** - July 26, 2020 at 07:57 AM



Hugs Debi

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**Brenda Rice** - July 28, 2020 at 05:38 PM

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**Ben Parker** - July 29, 2020 at 09:03 PM

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**Christine Parker** - July 29, 2020 at 09:16 PM

KR

*"Dot, Bev and I used to play cards games a lot when we were young.  
So if she always wins it must be because of my training?"*

*Ken R*

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**Kenneth Ransom** - July 30, 2020 at 09:26 PM