



Dorothy "Dot" Foster Powell

January 26, 1925 - July 1, 2022

Dorothy "Dot" Foster Powell ended her earthly pilgrimage and began her eternal life on July 1, 2022, at the age of 97.

She was born in Spartanburg, SC to Holland Dean and Julia Foster. She attended Converse College, where she majored in social work. While there, she met the love of her life, a young fighter pilot in training, Richard Gordon Powell. A war time romance ensued, and they were married August 19, 1945. They would have 37 beautiful years together. After living in New York and Indiana, the Powell family settled in Houston, Texas where Dorothy resided for the last 58 years.

She was a member of Memorial Drive United Methodist Church, where she was one of the first teachers at the School for Little People. At one point, she was a member of four different PTA's.

She volunteered for many years at Memorial Area Ministries, MAM, and she was a crack bridge player having played in many groups over the years.

Dorothy is survived by her four daughters, Barbara Sparkman and husband

Robert, Jan Suhr,

Julie Vanderslice and husband Alan, Betsy Bixby and husband David. She was blessed with 11

grandchildren, Trey, Andy, Emily, Brannon, Courtney, Judge, Rob, Jessica, Alexis, Taylor, Lindsay

and their spouses. Her “cup runneth over” with 20 wonderful great grandchildren.

She is predeceased son-in-law Ed Suhr.

Her family will remember her gracious spirit and joy of life exhibited by her favorite expression,

“My cup runneth over and I’m drinking from the saucer!”

“Her children arise and call her blessed.” Proverbs 31:28

A family graveside service will be held at Memorial Oaks on July 13. In lieu of flowers, donations

may be made to Memorial Assistance Ministries at www.MAMHouston.org , Buckner International at www.buckner.org/Houston , or a charity of your choice. Visit www.DettlingFuneral.com to leave words of condolence for the family.

Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothy "Dot" Foster Powell*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Dorothy "Dot" Foster Powell*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Dorothy "Dot" Foster Powell*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Dorothy "Dot" Foster Powell*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *My sincere condolences to all of Dot's family - she was a delight to be around, and always so positive. When I would visit Parkway Place to see my mother, she would share with me the pictures and fun of each family get-together. I did enjoy her stories about her family, and she was so very proud of each one of you.*

Sally A Wallace - July 24, 2022 at 05:46 PM



“ *On behalf of the students, faculty and staff of Converse University, we wish you peace and comfort. Please accept our condolences and heartfelt sympathies.*

Jessica Eggimann - July 14, 2022 at 09:18 AM

RS

“ Rhonda, Steve and Tom Sands are so glad we got to see Dot last year. Her smile and laugh will always be remembered. It was infectious to say the least!!! Our hearts go out to you. We are blessed to have known her. Love, The Sands

Rhonda Sands - July 11, 2022 at 04:12 PM

LB

“ Dot was such a lovely woman and treated me like one of her daughters. She will be missed by many. She lived a long, full life. ❤️

Linda Brownlee - July 10, 2022 at 08:28 PM

MH

“ Sending my heartfelt condolences to Dot's family. Dot was a kindhearted friend and an inspiration to me.

Mary Hunter - July 08, 2022 at 09:18 AM

BB

“ Dot was an incredible and favorite aunt who shared her love and notes and cards with us for all our married life. Her family meant the world to her and she shared so many “bragging” telephone calls regarding her girls and their family. We loved Aunt Dot and her positive attitude and being with her was special. Chuck and I send our best to her daughters and all of her large family who knew what a blessing she was to all. Chuck and Betsy Burns

betsy burns - July 06, 2022 at 05:30 PM