



Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy

July 27, 1935 - June 1, 2020

Dorothy Bess Walker Roy was born July 27, 1935, to the proud parents of the late William Walker and the late Delia Hudson-Walker. She departed this life on June 1, 2020 surrounded by her loving family.

She was preceded in death by her beloved parents, her loving husband the Reverend Bobby Joe Roy, high spirited son Cortez Maurice Roy, and three supportive brothers, Earlie B. Walker, Bobby Walker, and Charlie Walker and her angelic sister Marie Walker.

On November 15, 1958, she was united in Holy Matrimony to the late Reverend Bobby Joe Roy and to this union was born three sons and four daughters. For over 55 years, she was a loving, faithful, nurturing, and caring wife who was affectionally known as "Dear". She remained faithful to this holy covenant until death.

Dorothy Bess Walker united with Buchanan Baptist Church in Stamps, Arkansas at an early age. Later in life, she became a faithful member of St. John Baptist Church in Waldo, Arkansas and First Church of God in McNeil, Arkansas. At St. John Baptist Church, Missionary Dorothy Roy served in several auxiliaries. For years, she served as Mission President of St. John's church and the district's recording secretary for the Columbia County Baptist Association. In this role, she assisted local churches in developing and

implementing programs and activities designed to fulfill the church's community work. Also, in this capacity, she mentored several young women in the faith along with being a faithful choir member.

As First Lady of First Church of God, she served alongside her husband with the ultimate vision and mission of spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ and saving souls. She was passionate about her role as First Lady. In this capacity, she served as the church's secretary, treasury, adult Sunday School teacher, and most important was her leadership in hospitality. First Lady Roy loved cooking and serving people. For every church anniversary, Christmas play, Easter, and Mother's Day services, she was the planning committee. As the wife of a pastor and mother of two ministers, most of her life's work was attending church and serving God.

Dorothy Bess was a graduate of Ellis High School in Stamps, Arkansas. She excelled in her studies and graduated at the top of her class as Salutatorian. Her passion for styling hair led her to a vocational training school in Pine Bluff, Arkansas where she became a certified Cosmetologist and a Barber. Branded as the "pressing comb queen", Mrs. Roy had a steady clientele. She was the hair stylist for multiple generations of families and continued in this role until her health failed.

As the matriarch of this family, precious memories will be cherished by her children, which are three sons Reverend Alonzo Anthony (Carolyn) Roy of Magnolia, Arkansas, Superintendent Robert James (Helen) Roy of Lewisville, Arkansas and Reginald Bernard (Ethel) Roy of Stamps, Arkansas and four daughters Shelia Renee Roy of Waldo, Arkansas, Dr. Carla Annette (Billy) Wyrick of Magnolia, Arkansas, Drs. Lupita Denise (Al Assad) Rasheed of Little Rock, Arkansas and Cassandra Maria Roy of Little Rock, Arkansas. She leaves to cherish three brothers Willie Ed Walker of Detroit, MI, Earnest (Adelaide) Walker of Greensboro, NC and Larry (Janet) Walker of Stamps,

Arkansas and two sisters Betty (Theopulis) Morrow of Florissant, MO and Ella (John) Cridell of Stamps, Arkansas. As a grandmother/mother, she will be missed dearly by thirteen grandchildren, twenty-seven great grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Graveside Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, June 13th, 2020, at Lakeside Cemetery in Stamps, Arkansas at 1:00 p.m., under the direction of R.L. Reed Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Lakeside Cemetery

Gravel & Valley Street
Stamps, AR

Previous Events

Graveside service

JUN 13. 1:00 PM (CT)

Lakeside Cemetery
Gravel & Valley Street
Stamps, AR

Tribute Wall

AH

“ I will never forget Miss Dorothy's smile. My mother would not go to anyone else to get her hair done; she was "old school" and so was Miss Dorothy. My heart still mourns for her family as I know they miss her terribly. I love you all.



Alisha Howell - August 13, 2020 at 11:12 AM

PK

“ Patricia Kelley lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Patricia Kelley - June 14, 2020 at 04:15 PM

AW

“ Annette Watts-Hardwell And Mattie Watts lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Annette Watts-Hardwell and Mattie Watts - June 13, 2020 at 04:22 PM

DH

“ Sorry for your loss, praying for each of you



Debra Hendricks - June 13, 2020 at 02:11 PM

VP

“ Know that you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Vickie Perkins - June 13, 2020 at 09:25 AM

PW

“ Paula Jeanette White-Smith lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Paula Jeanette White-Smith - June 12, 2020 at 11:49 PM

CR

“ I love Cousin Dorothy. To all my cousins, I am praying for you all. I have great memories of my Sweet Cousin ❤️ Love, Cathy Doss Revels.

Cathy Doss Revels - June 12, 2020 at 10:38 PM

JT

“*Joyce Turner lit a candle in memory of Sis.
Dorothy Bess Roy*”



Joyce Turner - June 12, 2020 at 08:11 PM

LH

“*Louis Hayes lit a candle in memory of Sis.
Dorothy Bess Roy*”



Louis Hayes - June 12, 2020 at 06:27 PM

BG

“*Billy Gantt lit a candle in memory of Sis.
Dorothy Bess Roy*”



Billy Gantt - June 12, 2020 at 06:26 PM

AW

“*Annie Witcher sent a virtual gift in memory of
Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*”



Annie Witcher - June 12, 2020 at 06:25 PM

AL

“ Aaron Lambert lit a candle in memory of Sis.
Dorothy Bess Roy



Aaron Lambert - June 12, 2020 at 06:25 PM

DG

“ Dorothy Gantt lit a candle in memory of Sis.
Dorothy Bess Roy



Dorothy Gantt - June 12, 2020 at 06:24 PM

PG

“ Pastor Gantt sent a virtual gift in memory of
Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Pastor Gantt - June 12, 2020 at 06:23 PM

LT

“ Lola Tucker lit a candle in memory of Sis.
Dorothy Bess Roy



Lola Tucker - June 12, 2020 at 06:22 PM

DG

“ *Delma Gantt sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Delma Gantt - June 12, 2020 at 06:22 PM

RT

“ *Clara wyrick you have my Deepest sympathy we worked together for several years at Pilgrims Pride in Eldorado my Condolences to your entire Family To be Absent from the body is to be Present with the Lord*



Robinnette Thomas - June 12, 2020 at 05:40 PM

IS

“ *Irene Smith lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Irene Smith - June 12, 2020 at 12:32 PM

MP

“ *Melody Pace-Rone lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Melody Pace-Rone - June 12, 2020 at 12:19 PM



“ *Carla Dockery-Sanders lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Carla Dockery-Sanders - June 12, 2020 at 12:13 PM

PS

“ *Pamela Evette Shaw lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Pamela Evette Shaw - June 12, 2020 at 12:04 PM

PS

“ *Carla*



Pamela Evette Shaw - June 12, 2020 at 11:57 AM

PS

Carla y'all my deepest sympathy & Condolence!!

Pamela Evette Shaw - June 12, 2020 at 12:02 PM

PS

“ *Shelia you & your Roy family has my deepest sympathy Condolences* 🙏🙏🙏🙏



Pamela Evette Shaw - June 12, 2020 at 11:48 AM

BW

“ *Barbara Walker lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Barbara Walker - June 12, 2020 at 10:37 AM

EW

“ *Earsie L. Walker sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Earsie L. Walker - June 12, 2020 at 10:35 AM

RG

“ *Retha Greene sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Retha Greene - June 12, 2020 at 10:35 AM

TE

“ Teresa lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Teresa - June 12, 2020 at 10:04 AM

TF

“ To the Roy Family: On behalf of the Smith Family (Merlene, Robert Earl, Renee, Renita, Ramona, Ronald, and Shauntrae), we offer you our heartfelt condolences. Our families go way back. We pray that God will comfort you during this difficult time and may the sweet memories of your dear sweet momma comfort you during the days and years ahead. God bless you.

The Smith Family

The Smith Family - June 12, 2020 at 06:42 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy.



June 11, 2020 at 11:29 PM

Tiffani Maxwell

“ *Tiffani Maxwell lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Tiffani Maxwell - June 11, 2020 at 11:10 PM

CF

“ *Roy Family*
We are sorry for your loss
We pray Almighty God comfort and
Bless the family during this time and
During those long hard days to come.

Cotis and Joyce Franks - June 11, 2020 at 10:17 PM

ST

“ *Sandra Turner-Jackson lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Sandra Turner-Jackson - June 11, 2020 at 09:47 PM

SB

“ *Sylvia Briggs lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Sylvia Briggs - June 11, 2020 at 09:16 PM

SB

“ *Sylvia Briggs sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Sylvia Briggs - June 11, 2020 at 09:15 PM

ET

“ *Praying for strength and guidance for the family*



Eloise Tyson - June 11, 2020 at 06:52 PM

SB

“ *Stephanie Butler sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Stephanie Butler - June 11, 2020 at 06:14 PM

SE

“ *To the family of Mrs. Dorothy, I wish I could take away your pain and grief, unfortunately I can't, but I can send you prayers for comfort and strength as you go through this time of grief and a great big Hug because I care. God bless and keep you all is my prayer.*



Shelly Easter - June 11, 2020 at 06:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy.*



June 11, 2020 at 05:29 PM



“ *Wanda Ross lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Wanda Ross - June 11, 2020 at 05:04 PM



“ *Edna Rowden lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Edna Rowden - June 11, 2020 at 04:45 PM



“ *Pastor Michael Williams lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Pastor Michael Williams - June 11, 2020 at 04:06 PM

DH

“ *Diana Howell lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



diana howell - June 11, 2020 at 03:43 PM

VM

“ *Vontisha Steward Murphy lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Vontisha Steward Murphy - June 11, 2020 at 02:54 PM

AM

“ *Alethea Morgan sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Alethea Morgan - June 11, 2020 at 12:40 PM

RJ

“ *Reginald James lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Reginald James - June 11, 2020 at 01:30 AM

TJ

“ Teresa James lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Teresa James - June 11, 2020 at 01:29 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy.



June 11, 2020 at 12:39 AM

EM

“ Evelyn Mckeller lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Evelyn Mckeller - June 10, 2020 at 05:51 PM

DK

“ Sister Dorothy Bess Walker- Roy was my very first beautician.(my first big girl hairstyle) I loved and respected her immensely She was a beautiful lady inside and out. I also admired her and Brother Bobby Joe for their entrepreneurial spirits and their love for our community.
I send Love, Prayers and Condolences to their Children and All Family Members

Deloris J. King - June 10, 2020 at 01:43 PM

JT

“ Jennifer Teresa lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Jennifer Teresa - June 10, 2020 at 10:51 AM

TU

“ Technical and Industrial Division, UAHT purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy.



Technical and Industrial Division, UAHT - June 10, 2020 at 10:45 AM

BS

“ The Sears family is sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.



Becky Sharp - June 10, 2020 at 02:40 AM

BD

“ Bonnie Daniels sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Bonnie Daniels - June 09, 2020 at 05:44 PM

BD

To the Walker/Roy family, You are in my thoughts and prayers during this time of sorrow. I pray for peace and comfort during your bereavement. Bonnie Daniels

Bonnie Daniels - June 09, 2020 at 05:48 PM

KM

“ *We are so sorry for the loss of your precious mother, praying for God's peace and comfort during this very sad time. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help make this time of sorrow any easier for you and the family.*

Love, Bob & Kathi McFarland "UAHT"

Kathi McFarland - June 09, 2020 at 01:46 PM

DM

“ *Douglas And Cassandra Moss sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Douglas and Cassandra Moss - June 09, 2020 at 10:30 AM

DF

“ *Dawn Fears lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



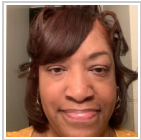
Dawn Fears - June 08, 2020 at 11:17 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy.*



June 08, 2020 at 10:13 PM



“ *Carolyn Sellers lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Carolyn Sellers - June 07, 2020 at 11:12 PM



“ *Shelia you & your family has my deepest sympathy & my condolences!! If there's anything I can do for you all just call & I am a phone call away!! I luv's all of y'all!!*



Pamela Evette Shaw - June 07, 2020 at 10:21 PM



“ *MY CONDOLENCES TO MY FAMILY. PRAYING FOR YOU AND PRAYING WITH YOU. REST IN JESUS AUNT DOROTHY ROY...*



Keisha Zackery - June 07, 2020 at 03:14 AM

RH

“ Regina Henderson lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Regina Henderson - June 07, 2020 at 01:02 AM

LB

“ Lasonia Bishop lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Lasonia Bishop - June 06, 2020 at 10:53 AM



“ Praying for you all



Dianne Williamson - June 06, 2020 at 02:19 AM

MW

“ Marie Wingfield sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Marie Wingfield - June 06, 2020 at 01:55 AM

MW

Praying for the family

Marie Wingfield - June 06, 2020 at 01:56 AM

CG

“ *Chris Garland sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Chris Garland - June 05, 2020 at 12:35 AM

CG

Praying for the family!

Chris Garland - June 05, 2020 at 12:36 AM

HJ

I am so sorry for the loss of Dorothy. You have my sincere condolences.

Hellen Jones - June 09, 2020 at 04:46 PM

LT

“ *Such a sweet lady!!! Prayers for the family* ❤️



Lana Turner - June 04, 2020 at 10:46 PM

HF

“ Hazel Smith Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Hazel Smith Family - June 04, 2020 at 08:56 PM

MM

“ Melvin Madison lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Melvin Madison - June 04, 2020 at 07:29 PM

CT

“ Carol Tyson sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Carol Tyson - June 04, 2020 at 05:42 PM

GF

“ Gantt Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Gantt Family - June 04, 2020 at 02:55 PM

TF

“ *The Gantt Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



The Gantt Family - June 04, 2020 at 02:53 PM

LW

“ *Lakesha Witcher lit a candle in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Lakesha Witcher - June 04, 2020 at 09:25 AM

GT

“ *Gracie W Tucker sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Gracie W Tucker - June 04, 2020 at 01:07 AM

GT

Prayers are with the entire Roy Family. May God's Grace abide and keep you during this very difficult time.

Gracie W Tucker - June 04, 2020 at 01:09 AM

MM

Please accept my sincere condolences to Reginald Roy and your family. Sending up prayers for your peace and comfort. (Marla M. Matthews, University of Arkansas Hope-Texarkana.

Marla Matthews - June 04, 2020 at 03:59 PM

RR

“ *Condolences go out to you and your family at this time of bereavement.*

Dr. Neich Robinson, Pastor Greenville MBC, Stamps Ark.

Rev Neich Robinson - June 03, 2020 at 06:30 PM

LC

“ *Lisa Clark lit a candle in memory of Sis.*

Dorothy Bess Roy



Lisa Clark - June 03, 2020 at 02:38 PM

CD

“ *Carla Dockery lit a candle in memory of Sis.*

Dorothy Bess Roy



Carla Dockery - June 03, 2020 at 06:04 AM

RW

“ *May God bless the Walker/Roy family. We offer our sincere condolences. Sister*

Walker was a kind and friendly lady. We pray that God will continue to bless

the family. Sincerely, Rev. Billy and Sis. Patricia Williams

Rev. Billy&Sis. Patricia Williams - June 02, 2020 at 10:03 PM



“ *Dianne Willis lit a candle in memory of Sis.
Dorothy Bess Roy*



Dianne Willis - June 02, 2020 at 07:45 PM



“ *Chinika Keener lit a candle in memory of Sis.
Dorothy Bess Roy*



Chinika Keener - June 02, 2020 at 12:19 PM



“ *Mekia Gordon sent a virtual gift in memory of
Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy*



Mekia Gordon - June 01, 2020 at 05:55 PM

CE

“ To my neighborhood family that my family and I grew up with on Adair Street in Waldo, Arkansas ; each of you have our deepest sympathy and we remember how you guys were there for us and we will be there for you with God being our help.



Sincerely,
Tearee Easter and The Family of The Late Sadie Mae Courtney.

Caldwell and Tearee Easter - June 01, 2020 at 05:43 PM

MP

“ Mary S. Pickings sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Mary S. Pickings - June 01, 2020 at 03:30 PM

SP

“ Sandra Page sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Sandra Page - June 01, 2020 at 02:50 PM

SP

“ Sandra Page lit a candle in memory of Sis.
Dorothy Bess Roy



Sandra Page - June 01, 2020 at 02:50 PM

DW

“ Deniseo Witt sent a virtual gift in memory of
Sis. Dorothy Bess Roy



Deniseo Witt - June 01, 2020 at 02:15 PM

KW

“ Kathy Witt sent a virtual gift in memory of Sis.
Dorothy Bess Roy



Kathy Witt - June 01, 2020 at 02:14 PM

KG

“ Keosha Gulley lit a candle in memory of Sis.
Dorothy Bess Roy



Keosha Gulley - June 01, 2020 at 11:59 AM