



Dorothy Mae Griffin

January 27, 1943 - January 8, 2025

Born Dorothy Mae Spiers, those who were fortunate enough to love and be loved by her knew her simply as Dottie. A kind and gentle woman with unwavering faith, she passed away in Tulsa, Oklahoma surrounded by her family on Wednesday, January 8 2025, at the age of 81. She will be laid to rest at Fairview Cemetery beside her beloved husband, Gerald “Butch” Thomas Griffin.

Dottie was one of seven children. She was born on January 27, 1943, to David John Spiers and Edith Mae (Spears) Spiers in Boston, Massachusetts. She graduated with the Randolph High School Class of 1961, alongside her high school sweetheart, Butch. Dottie also attended Randolph Vocational Tech School, where she studied business. At just 15 years old, Butch was captivated by the sweet girl with auburn hair and beautiful green eyes that sparkled when she laughed. After finishing school, Dottie and Butch knew they were destined to be together forever. These high school sweethearts made their commitment official with a wedding in Randolph on May 19, 1962. The couple began their life together in Randolph, but in 1975, they moved with their four children to Talala, Oklahoma, seeking new career opportunities. Dottie brought a strong work ethic and an unwavering dedication to every role she took on. She spent most of her career in manufacturing, eventually working her way up to shipping and receiving manager at Lockheed Martin in Tulsa, where she retired in 2002.

One of Dottie’s greatest joys was the annual trip she took with her sisters,

often to a beach in Florida or the Northeastern coast. Together, they would explore new towns, enjoy fancy tea parties, soak up the sun on the beach, and reminisce over a good glass of wine. Dottie cherished these moments with her sisters, who shared her love of life and laughter.

Dottie was a woman of infinite patience, and her love of children was evident throughout her life. After retirement, she found her dream job caring for children at the Zion Hill Church daycare in Oologah, Oklahoma. She spent many years as a Sunday school teacher for the preschool class at church. She also had a creative side, enjoying sewing, cake decorating, and designing bulletin boards for her daughter Tina's classroom. Another of her favorite pastimes was making QVC purchases while watching the channel on television.

A devoted wife to Butch for 53 years until his passing in 2015, Dottie was also a loving mother, doting nana, and caring friend. She embodied the spirit of kindness, always sharing her love of Jesus with those around her. Dottie's heart was big and her love for her family and friends knew no bounds.

Her legacy lives on in the hearts of her beloved family members who include her children, Gerald Griffin Jr. and wife Kayla, Kirk Griffin and wife Lalita, Tina Jervis and husband Derrick, Aaron Griffin; her grandchildren, Adrian, Gerald III, Keagan, Kyle, Julie, Maegan, Shane, Marisa, and Clayton; her great grandchildren, Gavin, Lilly, Emmy, Zoey, and Gemma; her sister, Betty Emerson; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Butch; her parents, David and Edith Spiers; her siblings, Joan, Shirley, Martha, Alice, and David.

The family would also like to express their heartfelt gratitude to Dottie's cherished niece, Karen, and her husband Steve Onthehill, for the loving care they provided throughout the past year. We know Dottie deeply treasured the time she spent with Karen.

A visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, January 13,

2025, at Mowery Funeral Service. Funeral Service will be held 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at Harbor Church in Oologah, OK. Graveside will follow at Fairview Cemetery in Talala, OK. In lieu of flowers the family asks donations be made in Dorothy's memory to St. Jude Children's research hospital.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

Talala, OK

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 13. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mowery Funeral Service
9110 N Garnett Rd
Owasso, OK 74055
(918) 272-6244

Funeral Service

JAN 14. 10:30 AM (CT)

Harbor Church
6349 East 400 Road
Oologah, OK 74053

Memorial Fund

JAN 14. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Jude Children's Hospital
501 St. Jude Place
Memphis, TN 38105
<http://www.stjude.org>

Tribute Wall

DF

“ Dianne F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dorothy Mae Griffin.

Dianne F. - January 13, 2025 at 12:43 PM

TF

“ The Little Family purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Dorothy Mae Griffin.



The Little Family - January 13, 2025 at 11:45 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Dorothy Mae Griffin.



January 12, 2025 at 02:19 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dorothy Mae Griffin.

January 12, 2025 at 02:19 PM

KE

“ *Kindergartens at Northwest Elementary purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Dorothy Mae Griffin.*



Kindergartens at Northwest Elementary - January 11, 2025 at 05:39 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dorothy Mae Griffin.*



January 11, 2025 at 02:41 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dorothy Mae Griffin.*

January 11, 2025 at 02:41 PM

TF

“ *The Sundine family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dorothy Mae Griffin.*



The Sundine family - January 10, 2025 at 01:57 PM

AU

“ All of us. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Dorothy Mae Griffin.



All of us. - January 10, 2025 at 10:43 AM

AU

“ All of us. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dorothy Mae Griffin.

All of us. - January 10, 2025 at 10:43 AM

DF

“ I have many wonderful memories of our Auntie coming to Florida for their Sister Reunions with my Mom, Auntie Shirley, Auntie Joan, and Auntie Betty. They loved their time together, hearing the laughter just tickled my heart. They would sit around for hours reminiscing their childhood. It brought so much joy into my life. Auntie Dottie will be immensely missed. She was one of my daily text messages, and phone calls. I looked forward to our conversations. She kept me close during my mother's health issues, and during her passing. She was extremely loving, inspirational, caring, a very wise lady. No matter what was going on with her she would always ask how I was doing, very selfless. Although she is not here on earth to share our lives, I am very thankful she is no longer suffering and now in the arms of our Lord and savior. Love you always Auntie Dianne (Tatro) Fineran

Dianne Fineran - January 10, 2025 at 09:26 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Dorothy Mae Griffin.*



January 10, 2025 at 09:17 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dorothy Mae Griffin.

January 10, 2025 at 09:17 AM



“ Casey, Audrey, Kailan, and John Cloud purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Dorothy Mae Griffin.



Casey, Audrey, Kailan, and John Cloud - January 09, 2025 at 09:29 PM



“ The Myers Family purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Dorothy Mae Griffin.



The Myers Family - January 09, 2025 at 09:01 PM

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“ *Alvarado family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Dorothy Mae Griffin.*



Alvarado family - January 09, 2025 at 07:14 PM