



Dorothy Lee Butler

October 24, 1942 - April 1, 2026

Dorothy (Dot) L. Butler, age 83, peacefully transitioned surrounded by family at Maryview Medical Center, Portsmouth, VA 23707 on April 1, 2026. She was a “Soldier in the Army” as she would so passionately sing in the Ebenezer Senior Choir on Sundays. Dot bravely fought the good fight until she couldn’t anymore, for she knew to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord, 2 Corinthians 5:8.

Dot loved her children and grandchildren. She was very proud of them and would let anyone know it. She also loved reading her Bible, playing games on her tablet, and watching her soap operas and sports. Dot, also known as “Dottie the Diva”, lived up to the name because she would not leave the house unless she was dressed to impress including hair and make-up.

She is predeceased by her mother Emma M. Colbert and leaves to cherish her memories her children: Sheila W. Thomas (Anthony), Frederick L. Butler, Jr., Leisha A. Copeland (Michael Sr.), and Tammy L. Butler; Grandchildren: Donta’ L. Wilson (La’Tila), Brittany R. Wilson (Amber), Michael L. Copeland, Jr., Faven V. Agyeman (Brian), Frederick L. Butler, III, Maya L. Copeland, and Hope L. Butler; Great grandchildren: Michael L. Copeland, III and Donta’ L. Wilson, Jr.; Siblings: Mary Williams (Curtis), Patricia Colbert, June Chambliss, Beverly Brown, Richard Brown, Patricia Vaughn, Joyce Holland, and Alfreda Turner; Niece: Monica Reyes (Shakira, Jamon and Jacory); Nephew: Derek

Brown. She also has a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

A viewing will be held from 3-6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 7, 2026, at J. T. Fisher Funeral Services, 1248 George Washington Hwy. N., Chesapeake, VA 23323. A celebration of life will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 8, 2026, at Ebenezer Baptist Church, 10686 Ivor Rd, Ivor, VA 23866, and she will be laid to rest in the church cemetery. Professional services have been entrusted to J. T. Fisher Funeral Services.

Cemetery Details

Ebenezer Baptist Church

10686 Ivor Road
Ivor, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 7. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

JT Fisher Funeral Services
1248 George Washington Hwy North
Chesapeake, VA 23323
info@jtfisherfuneralservices.com

Service

APR 8. 12:00 PM (ET)

Ebenezer Baptist Church
10686 Ivor Road
Ivor, VA

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Dorothy Lee Butler



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - April 08 at 12:37 PM



“ 32 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - April 06 at 10:26 PM



“ The Dunbar Family (Neighbors) purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Dorothy Lee Butler.



The Dunbar Family (Neighbors) - April 04 at 08:53 PM

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“ Laura C. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dorothy Lee Butler.



Laura C. - April 03 at 09:47 PM

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“ Laura C. planted a </store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518>>Memorial Tree in honor of Dorothy Lee Butler.

Laura C. - April 03 at 09:47 PM