



## Dorothy T. Byrd

December 16, 1933 - April 14, 2021

On Wednesday morning, April 14, 2021, Dorothy T. Byrd, age 87 entered into eternal rest and gained her wings. She was born on December 16, 1933 to the late William H. Tynes and Bertha E. Tynes-Batten.

In her early years she attended Christian Home School and then went on to attend Ebenezer School. She finished her education at Isle of Wight Training School where she only completed the 6th Grade as she prepared to start working early in life. Her first job was at the Oyster House when she was a young teenager. In her later years she went on to work at the Smithfield Packing Plant, Dominion Power, General Electric and the School System as a bus driver when needed and a cafeteria worker. She retired from Westside Middle School in 1998.

At an early age she gave her life to the Lord and was baptized at New Jones Grove. In her early twenties she was married to the love of her life James H. Byrd as she so affectionally called "JB" at Ebenezer AME Church on August 3, 1957. If you knew Dorothy, you knew that she loved her "JB" and from their union they raised two loving sons. Several years later when Ebenezer AME merged with Brown's AME she became a member of Brown's AME Church where she was a faithful and dedicated member until her health failed and she was no longer able to serve. Dorothy sang in the choir, was a part of the culinary team, worked as a missionary, a stewardess and was always willing

to help wherever needed.

Dorothy loved the Lord, her family and her church. She always believed in preparing her outfit for Sunday service, as well as anyone else's outfit in the house that was going to attend worship with her and always prepared dinner on Saturdays. Sundays for Dorothy was about singing, praising the Lord and spending time with family. She was a mean seamstress and knew how to bring a simple pattern to life. No one would enter her home without being fed one of those awesome meals she prepared. Dorothy was known for giving advice and could talk to you late into the midnight hour. Her style was truly classy, with a hint of sassy and it was not uncommon for her to wear a hat with every outfit. She loved to shop till she dropped and then shop some more. There was nothing she would not do for her family and the way she loved her grandchildren was second to none.

She was preceded in death by her parents William H. Tynes and Bertha E. Tynes-Batten, husband James H. Byrd, son Frederick Tynes, grand-daughter Duwanna Barnes, brothers William T. Tynes, James L. Tynes and Franklin A. Tynes. Dorothy leaves to cherish her memory one son Pernell Byrd (Lillian), five grandchildren Felicia Warren, Shelby Boykins (Donald), Bruce Warren (Cassandra), Kristina Green (Riccardo), Claudia Martin (Carl), 11 great grandchildren, 7 great- great grandchildren (special acknowledgement to Marquil & Monyell Birchette who lived with her and helped care for her). Two sisters Virginia Blow and Maxcine Hilliard and one brother Wilbert Tynes (Lorraine), four aunts Martha Whitaker, Mary Frances Everette, Clarice Uzzle (Walter) and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Ebenezer Cemetery

Windsor, VA 23487

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **22**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Chapman - J. T. Fisher Funeral Services  
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# Tribute Wall

VB

“ To my big sis: I love you, I'm going to miss you. We were always very close, although we were miles apart we were connected by our heart. You would play Lil jokes on me and I would believe them. Later you will say you silly girl it was a joke. We would laugh and start having a fashion show. She was always the model. We would sew cook and have lots of fun. We spoiled our baby sister. We didn't let our baby sister have to do any of the work. She was our little Jewel. My mom was so proud of us. You wet home to be with God. Love you sis, my forever best friends .

Virginia Tynes Blow - April 23, 2021 at 12:09 PM

VB

“ Virginia Tynes Blow lit a candle in memory of Dorothy T. Byrd



Virginia Tynes Blow - April 23, 2021 at 10:26 AM

VT

To my big sis:I love you and miss you. We lived miles apart but we were connected by our heart❤️. I understand you went home to be with God. Rest in peace.you are my forever best friend.

Virginia T.Blow - April 23, 2021 at 12:43 PM

BJ

“ To the family of Mrs. Byrd I would like to offer my condolences as well Mrs. Byrd you will be miss RIH

Bruce W Williams Jr - April 22, 2021 at 02:54 PM



“ 27 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - April 21, 2021 at 04:49 PM



“ Condolences to the Byrd family. Keeping the family in my thoughts and prayers. To Marquill keep your grandmothers memories in your heart and make her proud. Joseph A. Spratley III.

Joseph Spratley III - April 21, 2021 at 04:42 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dorothy T. Byrd.



April 20, 2021 at 10:56 AM

WB

“ With love from the Byrd Sisters, Catherine Johnson, Gloria Kelly, Ruby Wyche, Deloris Edwards & Veronica Byrd purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dorothy T. Byrd.



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**With love from the Byrd Sisters, Catherine Johnson, Gloria Kelly, Ruby Wyche, Deloris Edwards & Veronica Byrd** - April 20, 2021 at 10:32 AM

KR

“ Kitty, Jasmin and Raywkon purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Dorothy T. Byrd.



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**Kitty, Jasmin and Raywkon** - April 20, 2021 at 09:58 AM

EB

“ My sincere condolences to the Byrd family. May the memories you hold in your heart and the prayers of friends give you comfort. God bless you all.

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**Evelyn Hamlin Blount** - April 20, 2021 at 09:43 AM

AV

“ and Linwood Byrd & Family of Hampton VA purchased the Sweet Solace Spray for the family of Dorothy T. Byrd.



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**and Linwood Byrd & Family of Hampton VA** - April 19, 2021 at 05:04 PM

SW

“ To the family of Mrs. Byrd ,it is with a broken heart that I offer my condolences. Mrs. Byrd was a very sweet woman, but if you did something wrong she would let you know in a way that it wouldn't be done again. She watched all of the Middle Street kids grow up to be adults. She was the last Middle Street neighbor in our era to journey home. She will be truly missed. Love you Mrs. Dorothy

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**Sherri Winnegan** - April 18, 2021 at 10:51 AM

SJ

“ My deepest Sympathy to the family Dorothy will never be forgotten D Bryd as we called her was a great friend to both me and my mom as we were coworkers to her Mom at Smithfield Packing and me in the cafeteria of Westside Elementary School We loved her and shared a lot of good times together Remember D. Byrd being late for work frequently her excuse was she couldn't get out of Jersey Park We laughed Rest on D. Bryd Fond memories

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**Sandra Gatewood Johnson** - April 17, 2021 at 10:22 AM

EH

The daughters of the late George and Grace. Watkins ( neighbors) extends our heartfelt sympathy to the family Byrd family in the passing of your loved one, Mrs. Dorothy. Just hold on to the pleasant memories, for God will take care if you. With loving memories.

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**Evelyn W. Harris** - April 17, 2021 at 06:22 PM