



Dorothy C. Whitehead

October 23, 1932 - May 1, 2025

Dorothy Corina Whitehead, age 92, of West Point, VA, passed away peacefully on Thursday, May 1, 2025. She was born on October 23, 1932 in Plainview, VA to the late Samuel L and Evelyn Taliaferro. After graduating from Beverly Allen High School, Dorothy relocated to Trenton, NJ where she lived with her aunt and worked as a Nurse's assistant. On June 20, 1954, she married Richard Whitehead, Jr after which they made their home in West Point, VA. In addition to becoming a wife, she later became a mother to four children. After the death of her husband, Dorothy continued to live in West Point but later relocated to live with her son in Williamsburg, VA. As she started to show signs of early dementia, Dorothy became a resident of Brookdale Chambrel Assisted Living Facility in Williamsburg, VA where she remained until her death. She was a devoted member of Union Prospect Baptist Church where during her active years, she served as a Deaconess, an Usher and Nurse's Aide. She was also a long time member of the Order of the Eastern Star. Dot, as she was affectionately known to her family and friends, was a shining light in the lives of all who had the privilege of knowing her. Her journey on this earth was one marked by love, compassion, and unwavering faith in God. May her memory be a blessing, and may we carry forth her legacy of love and compassion in all that we do. In addition to her parents, Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband of 54 years, Richard

Whitehead, Jr; 2 brothers, George Crittendon and Vincent Taliaferro ; 2 sisters, Gladys Wright and Lillie Lemon and one son-in- law, Anthony Ashford. Dorothy is survived by her four children Deborah (Jeff) Ward, Richard R. (Crystal) Whitehead, Darryl (Linda) Whitehead and Jackie Whitehead; seven grandchildren – Christina Ward, Courtney (Clayton) Eichelberger, Brian (Chavonne) Ward, Kimberly Whitehead, RJ Whitehead, Michael Whitehead and David Whitehead; one step grandson, Antonio Ashford and four great grandchildren – Nia, Elijah and Jeremiah Ward and Corina Eichelberger. She is also survived by one sister, Blanche (Wiley) Dunsen; four brothers, Joseph (Claretha) Taliaferro, William Taliaferro, Earl Taliaferro and Hampton Taliaferro and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

A funeral service will be held 11 AM Saturday, May 10, 2025, at Union Prospect Baptist Church, 1380 Stratton Major Rd, Shackelfords, VA 23156. Viewing for Mrs. Whitehead, will take place from 5PM-7PM, Friday, May 9, 2025, at Vincent Funeral Home, 417 11th Street, West Point, VA 23181.

Cemetery Details

Sunny Slope Cemetery

King William Avenue
West Point, VA 23181

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 9. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Vincent Funeral Home, West Point Chapel
417 11th St
West Point, VA 23181
(804) 843-2550

Funeral Service

MAY 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

Union Prospect Baptist Church
1380 Stratton Major Rd.
Shacklefords, VA 23156

Tribute Wall

EW

“ Our prayers and condolences to the Whitehead family as you grieve the transition of your mother, grandmother, and sister. We pray that her legacy will stay fresh in your hearts and that you'll forever feel her love for you. She is resting in the arms of her Saviour.



Elder Reggie, Dr. Pat, RJ and ReNaya Wil - May 15, 2025 at 06:54 AM

RW

“ Rose Byrd Washington sent a virtual gift in memory of Dorothy C. Whitehead



Rose Byrd Washington - May 11, 2025 at 09:32 AM

RT

“ Rosette Byrd Turner lit a candle in memory of Dorothy C. Whitehead



Rosette Byrd Turner - May 10, 2025 at 06:47 PM

JG

“ Sending prayers to the Whitehead family in their time of sorrow. May the fond and loving memories of Dorothy help you in your time of grief.

Julie Gramb - May 09, 2025 at 03:05 PM

ME

“ *Deborah, Ronnie and Darrell, what can I tell you what can I say? I understand your grief I understand your pain remember all the memories and the lessons that they shared. To all of you and yours have my heart felt condolences. Tyrus*

Montgomery Epps - May 09, 2025 at 01:27 PM

VM

“ *My deepest condolences and prayers to the Whitehead Family! God has blessed you with a Mother who was humble, loving and caring. May God give strength in the days ahead. Vicky Maddox*



Vicky Maddox - May 09, 2025 at 09:28 AM

TW

“ *Sorry For Your Loss*



Thomas Widgeon - May 07, 2025 at 07:32 AM

TL

“ *Our deepest sympathies and prayers are with the Whitehead family during this time of mourning. May you find strength and comfort in the Lord.*

The Lawsons - Lina, Leon Jr., and LaShell

The Lawsons - May 06, 2025 at 08:43 PM

SA

My prayers are with you all.

Sammy Anderson - May 09, 2025 at 02:21 PM

JJ

“ *My condolences to the Whitehead family in the passing of your mother and my cousin. She will always be remembered for her genuine charming personality. R.I.P 🙏*

Jeffrey Jones - May 06, 2025 at 06:53 AM