



## Theodora Jane Adkins

July 3, 1927 - April 17, 2020

Theodora Jane Adkins, “Doba” to many folks. Doba’s spirit passed peacefully into eternity with Jesus her Savior early on the morning of April 17, 2020. She was Mom to Judy Baber (Ed), Donna, Dana (Diana), and Melva Jefferson (Chris) and Grandmomma to “grands” Lewis (Kim), Nick (Melina), Brooke (Julian), Daniel, Sierra, Adam and Sara and “greats” Savannah, Benjamin, Roderick, Jude, and one more. Aunt Doba also leaves behind devoted nieces and nephews. Her husband Lue Ander Adkins preceded her in death as did several of his and her siblings, but the family all of them were a part of was tremendous. Several of those siblings and their families remain to cherish Doba’s memory. She was at home (in more ways than one) at the time of her death and had been at her Charles City County home and under the care of Bon Secours Hospice and family members for the last 18 months. The family is especially grateful for the excellent care given Doba by the Bon Secours Hospice team. The family asks those of you who knew Doba to recall a fond memory of this fun and loving spirit God blessed us with for nearly 93 years. If you didn’t know Doba, the family asks that you remember your own cherished loved one and let us all give God a praise of thanks for letting us walk alongside him or her. Doba was a lifelong member of Samaria Baptist Church and there is more about her relationship with God in a touching testimony by her eldest grandchild on the Vincent Funeral Home website. Doba was also a citizen of the Chickahominy Indian Tribe. Memorial donations can be made to either the Church or the Tribe by way of their respective websites. Due to

restrictions in place related to the ongoing pandemic, there will be no visitation or viewing and the burial will be private. The family plans to have a full Celebration of Life once gathering restrictions are lifted.

Doba's eldest grandchild posted the following to his Facebook account on the day his grandmother's spirit passed into eternity:

"My sweet grandmomma has made it to the fullness of eternity with Jesus! She recognized a long time ago that her sin (just like mine and yours) had separated her from the perfect relationship God desires with His creation. She believed that the only way to fix that broken relationship with God was through the sacrifice of Jesus. She believed that the only way to restored relationship with God the Father was through surrendering to the sacrifice and Lordship of Jesus Christ. She understood that no amount of effort on her part could fix her brokenness. Only Jesus! Because she was restored to relationship with God the Father through God the Son (Jesus), she was able to be an image of God's love on this earth like I've never seen. She loved me/us with a ferociously unconditional love. I once said to her, "Grandmomma, you'd love me even if I robbed a bank." Without skipping a beat, she replied, "Baby, I'd help you rob the bank!" The Lord has blessed our family beyond measure to have been loved by Theodora Jane Adkins. I love you Grandmomma."

# Tribute Wall

WO

“ Aunt Doba was a beacon of fun-loving joy! When I think of her, I imagine her getting “tickled” by a funny story and then brought to tears from laughter. She made others laugh because of HER amusement! What a gift.  
I know the hypothetical “bank robbery” story well. It was proudly told on more than one occasion. To be loved like that...another gift.

*With loving kindness,*

*Wes & Kimberly Owen and family*

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**Wes Owen** - April 22, 2020 at 08:33 AM

RA

“ Rosetta Adkins sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Theodora Jane Adkins



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**Rosetta Adkins** - April 21, 2020 at 07:33 AM

VC

“ Velma Canaday sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Theodora Jane Adkins



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**Velma Canaday** - April 20, 2020 at 11:54 PM

CB

“ So sorry for your loss. I never met Doba but my daughter went over a lot during the summers to visit and help out with Aunt Drue. Libby has many wonderful memories of Doba and has told me over the years what a wonderful and sweet lady she was. I know she is with her husband now and Savior Jesus.

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**Connie Britt** - April 20, 2020 at 11:09 AM

SH

“ Susan Holmes lit a candle in memory of Theodora Jane Adkins



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**Susan Holmes** - April 19, 2020 at 11:03 AM

DL

“ Debbie Lewis lit a candle in memory of Theodora Jane Adkins



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**Debbie Lewis** - April 19, 2020 at 09:37 AM

DL

*Dana, Diana and family, We are so sorry for your loss. I know you will miss her and may God grant you peace!*

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**Debbie Lewis** - April 19, 2020 at 09:40 AM

NE

“ *Nancy Eustace lit a candle in memory of  
Theodora Jane Adkins*



Nancy Eustace - April 19, 2020 at 07:52 AM

KB

“ *Karen Burley lit a candle in memory of  
Theodora Jane Adkins*



Karen Burley - April 18, 2020 at 10:33 PM

KB

*Dear Family,  
One of my fondest memories of Mrs. Adkins was always being greeted  
like family whenever she was present at the Fall Pow-Wows. May she  
rest in Peace and rise in Glory. <3  
Karen*

Karen Burley - April 18, 2020 at 10:38 PM

JB

“ *Judy, Ed & Family,  
We were sorry to hear of the passing of Mrs.  
Adkins and wish to extend our sincerest  
sympathies. We're praying for you and with  
you that our great God will grant you peace,  
comfort and strength to sustain you during this trying time.  
With love,  
Warren & JoAnne Bell*



JoAnne Bell - April 18, 2020 at 08:51 PM

CD

“ *Melva, Chris, Adam & Sara so sorry we can't be there in person for you during this time, but know that we are there in spirit. Sending love to you and your entire family. ❤️*

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**Carol Davis** - April 18, 2020 at 07:51 PM

KC

“ *Judy, Donna, Dana, and Melva, Thank y'all for sharing not just Miss Theodora with me, but your dad, Mr. Lue, also. I will forever cherish the love they showed to me. They treated me as family and their kindness will never be forgot.*

*Love to all you,*

*Kerry*

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**Kerry Canaday** - April 18, 2020 at 03:56 PM