



## Dorothy V. Burke

July 5, 1929 - April 29, 2019

Dorothy V. Burke, 89, of Oxford, Florida passed away on April 29, 2019 at her home.

She was born July 5, 1929 in Momence, Illinois to the late Walter and Florence (Bowman) Hall.

Dorothy moved to Cheyenne, Wyoming with her mother at a young age and became the unofficial mascot for the soldiers at Fort Francis E. Warren. It was there that she met her husband of 53 years, Marvin Burke Sr. They moved to a small farm in Oxford, Florida where she raised four amazing children. She was an outstanding leader of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church where she taught Sabbath School for many years. Everyone that Dorothy met as a stranger, left as a friend.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Marvin Burke Sr.; her father, Walter Hall; her mother, Florence Bowman; and three siblings: Florence (Bill) Nattkemper, Raymond (Betty) Hall, and Daisy Hall.

She is survived by her four children: Marvin (Robbie) Burke Jr. of Cleveland, TN, Donna (Frank) Sheffield of Winter Garden, FL, Gary (Judy) Burke of Oxford, FL, and Sandra (Bob) McDole of Bushnell, FL; her grandchildren: Melissa (Tony) Smith, Adam Burke, Denise Sheffield, Ryan (Imelda) Sheffield,

Sherie Donahue, Sonia Burke, Kevin (Jennifer) Burke, Rob (Robyn) McDole, and Lindsey (Adam) Staley; her 12 great grandchildren and one great great grandchild.

Dorothy touched the hearts of many and was a true blessing to all who knew her. She was kind and giving, a talented poet and crafter, a community advocate, the cornerstone of our family, and the strongest person we have ever known.

A celebration of her life will be held from 11:00am to 12:00pm on Friday, May 3, 2019 at Beyers Funeral Home in Leesburg, Florida, with visitation taking place from 10:00am to 11:00am. Interment will be held at the Lone Oak Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the National Kidney Foundation of Florida, 1040 Woodcock Road, Suite 119, Orlando, FL 32803.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Sandy and Bob,  
I am sorry for your loss. I know that you really loved your Mom.*

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**Mike McDole** - May 03, 2019 at 11:54 AM

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“ *Dear Lindsey and entire McDole-Burke Family,*

*I want you to know that I am thinking of you and send my heartfelt condolences to all of you. What I have heard about "Grandma" Dorothy warms my heart. It is obvious that she was such a beautiful person in every which way. I wish you peace; and may her memory be eternal.*

*With much love,  
Dena Strickland*

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**Dena Strickland** - May 01, 2019 at 05:27 PM