



Dorothy Tatum

December 12, 1929 - November 10, 2023

Dorothy (nee: Hess) Tatum, 93, passed away on November 10, 2023 at The Villa at Lincoln Park.

She was born to the late William and Daisy (nee: Mormon) Hess on December 12, 1929. Dorothy was united in marriage on February 12, 1949 to Dewayne Tatum in Port Washington, WI. She enjoyed gardening, knitting and sewing. Most of all, her time spent with family, was the most enjoyable.

Dorothy is survived by her children, John (Maryann) Tatum, Susan (Ken) Jensen, Debbie (Terry) Dallia, Cathy (Joe) Nixa, Tim (Laurie) Tatum, Amy (Mark) Carr and Todd (Sherry) Tatum. Dorothy was blessed with 17 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren, other relatives and friends.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Dewayne Tatum on April 20, 2009; brothers, William and Eugene Hess and sisters, Ruth Hoppe and Joyce Verley.

Tribute Wall

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“ There's so much I could say about Grandma. I'll start by saying she was the strongest woman I'll ever know. Many things remind me of her like windmill cookies, strawberry milkshakes, sailor men, salt and pepper shakers, decorative plates, clocks, bean soup, red garbo Keychains, lemon drops, peppermints and jingle cookies just to name a few. I would bring her a milkshake everytime I visited her and she'd always say "I haven't had one of these in years". She would sing in the car to How Great Thou Art, which was one of her favorites from her cassette tape when she would take my sisters and I for a drive when we were younger. She would make sure everyone had something to eat when anyone would come visit her at her house. The best times of my childhood were at her house with her, Grandpa and my family (I love you all). I don't have one single bad memory of Grandma. It was extremely hard to see her sick before she passed, but I did get to see her on her last good day which I'm extremely grateful for. She told me it was peaceful and she enjoyed watching the leaves fall from the tree out of her big window. She talked about her brothers and sisters, her 7 kids, her house (even though she hadn't been there for a while and hadn't been able to take care of it, she said) and she was so full of love and had a glow to her. When Grandma looked at my Mom, my sisters and I and said "I love all you girls" that was a truly special moment engraved in my heart. She loved her family and we all loved her. I find peace knowing she isn't suffering anymore and that she's with Grandpa.

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“ *May you Rest In Peace my friend, your kindness to my family will never be forgotten, and the love you gave my children is still remembered today, especially by Adam. Our love to the entire family.*

Nacho, Juli, Angel and Adam Serrato

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