



## Dorothy Mae "Dot" Keys Kerce

August 10, 1927 - October 11, 2020

Dorothy Mae "Dot" Keys Kerce, age 93, of Milledgeville, passed away Sunday, October 11, 2020. A Celebration of Life for Dot Kerce will be conducted Sunday, October 18, 2020 at 2:00 PM in Victory Baptist Church with Rev. Kenny Walker officiating. Interment will be private. The family will arrive at the Victory Baptist Church at 1:30 PM on Sunday, October 18, 2020 for anyone who would like to visit.

Born in Byron, Georgia on August 10, 1927, Dorothy Mae Keys ('Dot'), was born the daughter of the late Walter Hill Keys and the late Vallie Ailene Stokes Keys. She married the love of her life, Johnny Ashley Kerce, Sr., 13 days after her 15th birthday. They were married for 58 1/2 years when he went to heaven in December 2000. This year she stated in celebration, that she and 'Daddy' have now been married for 78 years. She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Deborah K. Bailey, and by her sister and all three of her brothers.

Her claim to fame and goals in life were being the best wife, and the best mother to her four children. Dot's love, dedication, optimism, gentleness and strength ensured that she exceeded those goals. She was so much more than her self-proclaimed job title of 'domestic engineer'. Her sweet spirit and perfect example of being a Godly woman reached far beyond family, and touched everyone she knew. Just being around Granny Dot helped to make you a better person because she set the perfect example and had high

expectations of everyone!

Dorothy Kerce's family celebrates her life, love and legacy, knowing that she is now dancing on streets of gold and loving her Lord Jesus, reunited with family in her new heavenly body.

Dorothy is survived by: her children, Johnny Ashley Kerce, Jr. (& Nancy) of Macon, Linda K. Kerce (& Bob) of Milledgeville, and Brenda K. Veal (& Richard) of Lugoff, SC ; 8 grandchildren ; 18 great grandchildren ; and 12 great great grandchildren.

The family has asked that those who wish, make Memorial Contributions to the church that she adored, Victory Baptist Church, 640 Meriwether Road, NW, Milledgeville, GA 31061.

Condolences may be expressed online at: [www.williamsfuneral.net](http://www.williamsfuneral.net)

Williams Funeral Home and Crematory of Milledgeville is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

# Previous Events

## **Celebration of Life**

OCT 18. 2:00 PM (ET)

Victory Baptist Church  
640 Meriweather Rd.  
Milledgeville, GA 31061

# Tribute Wall

JH

“ Have known “Miss Dot” for many years. She was so special. Always the same, sweet, smart and beautiful. Also a sweet Christian! My sympathy for the family 🙏 Jackie Holsenbeck

Jackie Holsenbeck - October 19, 2020 at 12:07 PM

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FUNERAL HOMES & CREMATORY

“ 1 file added to the album Service



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - October 19, 2020 at 09:29 AM

JP

“ Johnny Pulliam lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Mae "Dot" Keys Kerce



Johnny Pulliam - October 18, 2020 at 11:33 PM

EE

“ I have never met Dorothy Kerce personally but I know some of her family members. Also how much they love her I know from that she was a good person. I'm so sorry for everyone's lost. One day in the future we don't have to lose anyone in death anymore.

Erin English - October 16, 2020 at 10:52 PM

KB

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Kelby Bellante - October 16, 2020 at 01:27 PM

KB

5 generations

Kelby Bellante - October 16, 2020 at 01:28 PM

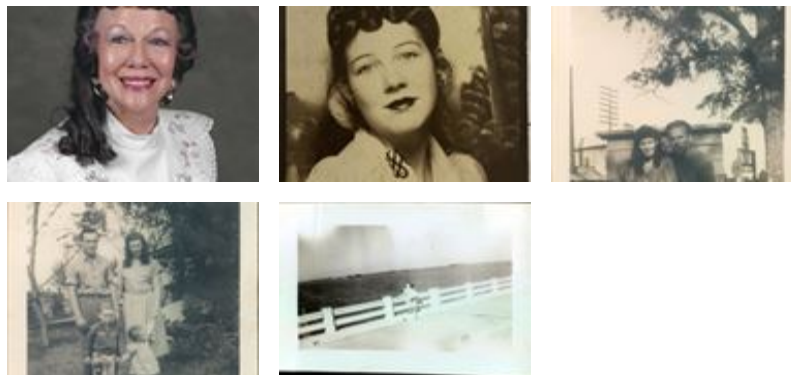
MH

*Dear Linda and family, I know your hearts are breaking with the loss of this dear sweetwoman. Dot And I met at senior exercise and became instant friends. I loved her like a sister and was so happy Linda let me tell her goodbye. She is now in heaven with her sweet Johnny whom she loved so much . A beautiful woman inside and out . She loved and lived her faith . I will miss our phone calls. Love Mary Hayworth*

Mary Hayworth - October 17, 2020 at 01:56 PM



“ 90 files added to the album Life Tributes



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - October 16, 2020 at 12:14 PM

JS

“ *Joyce Stephens lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Mae "Dot" Keys Kerse*



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**Joyce Stephens** - October 15, 2020 at 07:32 PM

JG

“ *I first met Ms. Kerse around 1976 when she and Mr. Kerse were coming to the Assembly of God. She was so friendly and generous. Anytime she thinned put her clothes closet she would pass them to me. I absolutely loved going through them and trying them on. I had never seen such unusual and beautiful outfits. I'm so thankful I got to speak to her at Serenity several months ago. She was loved and admired by many.*

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**Jana Gilliland** - October 15, 2020 at 03:47 PM

PB

“ *Ms Linda I'm so very sorry for your loss of your precious Mother. She was a jewel and you have so many wonderful memories. We are praying for your and your precious family to have peace & comfort during this difficult time. We love you Posey & Chris Burns*

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**Posey Burns** - October 15, 2020 at 03:16 PM

DP

“ *Ms.Linda we are praying for you and your family. We know you are assured of where your sweet mama is now. Mrs. Dot was always such a treat. We had not seen her in some time, but we will always remember her fondly. God Bless you now and always.*



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**Dennis and Ginger Peavy** - October 14, 2020 at 01:52 PM

JM

“ *Dot was my cousin and I haven't seen her for several years but I'll always remember her as one of my MOM's favorites. My Mom was Ida Keys Watts and we use to visit often to see her MOM and Dad. She and Johnny were so cute together and you could tell it was true love even though they both were young. My prayers go out to the family and may GOD bless all of you!*



*Much love to all,  
Janelle Watts Mansfield*

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**JANELLE Mansfield** - October 13, 2020 at 04:57 PM

JM

“*Dot, Johnny and Linda were delightful friends of ours years ago. We lost touch over the years. My late husband Paul Robert's (aka P.I.) worked with Johnny 'Million' as he called him years earlier. We had Linda to build a truss room on our house to be a music room. When finished we had them over for a get together and Johnny and Linda sang for us. Johnny and Linda were Awesome singers! It was lot's of fun!*  
*I'm So Very Sorry for the Loss of Your Precious Mother.*  
*Your Family is in My Thoughts and Prayers.*  
*Sincerely,*  
*Jackie Mosley*

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**Jackie Mosley** - October 13, 2020 at 02:07 PM

LM

“*Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Luther & Berta and Friends at Johnnie McDade Grocery.*



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**Luther Minor** - October 13, 2020 at 10:17 AM

MG

“*Ms. Dot was a very special lady. We had some great conversation at riteaid. She was one of a kind.. Linda an family prayers to all yall...she has definitely got her wings an will watch over her family...*

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**Marsha Garner** - October 13, 2020 at 07:54 AM

SP

“ So sorry to hear of Miss Dot passing. She was such a sweet person. My prayers are with you all.



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**Sheela R Pounds** - October 12, 2020 at 09:36 PM

CL

“ Carolyn Leverette-Searcy lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Mae "Dot" Keys Kerce



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**Carolyn Leverette-Searcy** - October 12, 2020 at 07:54 PM

EC

“ Linda, I am so sorry to hear of Ms. Dot passing away. She was such a sweetheart. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Elaine Campbell Carpenter

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**Elaine C Carpenter** - October 12, 2020 at 06:18 PM

VB

“ Linda, our prayers are with you and your family during this time. Vickie and Jimmy Bustin.

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**Vickie Bustin** - October 12, 2020 at 05:47 PM