



Elva Letechia "Bootsie" Dorman (Hopkins)

August 3, 1934 - October 10, 2017

Elva Letechia Dorman, affectionately known as "Bootsie" of Seaford, Delaware was born on August 3, 1934 to the late Percy and Edna Hopkins in Bridgeville, De. Elva was granted her wings with her family by her side on Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at her daughter's home, at the age of 83.

Elva was a devoted wife, nurturing mother and grandmother. Elva was known to be a soft-spoken person. She was a loving, compassionate woman who had a big heart and loved helping others, especially children.

She was raised in the Bridgeville, Delaware area. Elva attended Phyllis Wheatley School and William C. Jason Comprehensive High School in Georgetown, Delaware.

On August 24, 1956 she married Frederick W. Dorman and from this union four children were born, Michael, Raymond, Edna "Cookie" and Vanessa.

Elva, in her earlier years, worked for DelAgra Corporation, Bridgeville, Delaware and retired from Stockley Center near Georgetown, DE after 25 years of service.

In the mid-80s she became a member of Macedonia AME Church, Seaford, Delaware, under the leadership of Reverend Walter Dixon. With a servant's

heart, she participated in many facets of ministry. She served on the Trustee Board, Usher Board, Senior Choir, Gospel Choir, Youth Choir and was a founding member of the Heavenly Beams.

Elva took pride in her beautiful flower garden. She loved watching soap operas, especially *The Young & the Restless* and *The Bold and the Beautiful*; she loved Steve Harvey shows and puzzle books. In her earlier years, she loved to cook especially her corn pudding and 7-layer salad. She loved being around her family especially her grandchildren. She also enjoyed talking on the telephone with her friends.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband Frederick W. Dorman; three sisters; Hazel, Alice, Marlene; four brothers, Percy Jr, Lewis, William, Franklin; one great-grandson Charles "Trey" Laws III.

To cherish her memories, she leaves her loving children, Michael Dorman (Beverly) of Virginia, Raymond Dorman of New Jersey; Edna "Cookie" Laws, (her care-giver) and Vanessa Robinson (Gregory Sr.), both of Delaware; nine grandchildren, Marty Sr, Gregory Jr, LaKeenia, Wayne, Michael Jr, Derrick, Charles, Jr. "Bj", Lutesia, Sierra; 17 great-grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren; a brother, Albert; a sister, Anna Mae; seven sisters-in-law, Patricia Randall, Evelyn, Roberta, Claudia, Gwendolyn, Tessie, Patricia and Maggie; four brothers-in-law, Oliver, Leland, Keith Sr. and Gilbert; two god-children; and a host of special friends, nieces, nephews, and other relatives that were near and dear to her heart.

Sorrowfully submitted,
The Family

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Tribute Wall

LW

“ *Michael, Raymond, Edna, & Vanessa*

I wish to express my deepest heartfelt condolences over the loss of your mother. Ms. Bootsie was always kind, soft spoken and had a smile for everyone. There are no words adequate to ease your sorrow. Please know I will remember each of you in my prayers.

In sympathy,

Lynn Fogg Wilson - October 20, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ *Ms. Bootsie,*

I am going to miss you sitting next to me in church. Your smile, your touch, your lovely spirit, and your love for kids will truly be missed. Thank you for allowing me to a part of your life. Thank you for all you did for the youth and the Heavenly Beams.

Thank you,

Kimberly Purnell

KIMBERLY A PURNELL - October 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ *I would like to offer my condolences to the Dorman family during this time of sorrow. Always remember the great times you shared as a family, and when you think back and smile she will be there. A great lady that could always make a smile come to your face during troubled times, she will truly be missed.*

Howard E. Smack Sr. - October 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ Dear Dorman Family, I am so sorry for the loss of your dear loved one. What brings me comfort in times like these is the scripture found at Revelation 21:3,4 where God promises to soon get rid of all sickness and death. Please accept my heartfelt condolences and may Jehovah, the God of all comfort, be with you during this most difficult time in your life.

H. Fields - October 16, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ Grief can be so hard, but our cherished memories help us to cope. Hold tight to those memories. Lean on each other for support. And may you find comfort in God's promise at Isaiah 41:10.

JoyceA - October 14, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ I would like to offer my condolences for your loss. I hope you will find comfort in knowing that Jehovah, the God of all comfort, will soon eliminate all grief and provide permanent consolation when “all those in the memorial tombs will hear [Christ’s] voice and come out”! (John 5:28, 29) God promises that “he will do away with death forever, and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces.” (Isa. 25:8) Then, instead of having to “weep with those who weep,” all earth’s inhabitants will “rejoice with those who rejoice.”—Rom. 12:15.

M Jones - October 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM