



## Dorothy Ann James Hopper

August 19, 1955 - October 21, 2024

Dorothy Ann James Hopper entered this world on August 19, 1955 at Tippah County Hospital to the late Marion Reeves James & Lee Etta Ray James. She entered into her eternal rest on October 21, 2024 at her home. She leaves behind her husband of 42 years: Dennis Alvis Hopper of Falkner, MS; five children: Rebecca Gurley Lungrin (Glyn) of Jackson, TN, Roger Glenn Bridges, II of Ashland, MS, Jamie Bridges Patterson (Willie) of Ashland, MS, John Dennis Hopper (Candace) of Ripley, MS, Karen Ann Hopper of Marietta, GA; seven grandchildren: Andrew Bridges (Lakien) of Booneville, MS, Victoria Bridges of Booneville, MS, Elijah Allen of Ashland, MS, Cheyenne Allen of Jackson, TN, Maizey Grace Hopper, John Luke Hopper, Evie Wren Hopper all of Ripley, MS; one beloved sister: Judy Johnson (Jim) of Middleton, TN, two brothers: Wayne James of Ripley, MS, Herman James of Ashland, MS; one sister-in-law: Sheila Yarbrough (Keith) of Dalton, GA; a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents; seven siblings: MJ James, Mary McCall, Ann Glover, Gladys Enos, Jerry James, Sammy James, Edward Lee James; two grandchildren: Jordan Dean and Desiree Allen.

She grew up as a sharecropper's daughter, so of course she would tell the stories of getting one pair of shoes for the year. She would tell of superstitions passed down from her grandparents and of picking cotton and growing up

with nieces and nephews who were like siblings, with how close in age they all were. She was raised to live for the Lord and her love for the Lord has been shared by many. Music was always a part of her soul, and she spent her life playing the guitar and singing for all she knew. She wrote poetry that published; she wrote songs she recorded on cd. She enjoyed composing poems; she wrote a children's book that she also illustrated. She was incredibly talented. She loved helping others and spent many years helping many people. It did not matter if it was just sitting in the nursing home singing or helping others in their home. She sang and played guitar at a church in Burnsville. She always thought of others before she thought of herself. If she knew someone in need, she would help in any way she could.

Dot worked at Pep in Ripley where she semi-retired; she then moved on to work for ABC Manufacturing in Ashland. Dot worked as a seamstress for many years and a lot of people bought her quilts. She spent hours working on the quilts, she put love into every stitch. All of her children got a quilt or something she had sewn that we will treasure and pass down. She also worked at Tippah County Farmers Association spraying their fields and counting cotton. She retired from Falkner Elementary Cafeteria, then she retired from Dirt Cheap. She was a diligent worker. People may know her from cleaning houses; she cleaned over 150 houses during her retirement phase and was proud of the work she did. The customers were like family to her, and she became like family to them as well. Every one of them knew she was sick and kept her family and her in their prayers. The family thanks each of you for those prayers, it really means so much to them.

Dot never met a stranger and was quick to give a smile, a hug, or a wave to most everyone she ever met. You could not go to the store without her running into someone she knew or someone to whom she was related. She was someone that most who met her would not forget where they met her. She could remember who was related to who for generations and it was not just with her family. She truly had a niche for remembering how someone was

related. She loved flowers of all kinds, her favorite color was yellow, and she enjoyed when the kids and grandkids would visit and was sure to brag on them. She was never still for long, she always had to be busy doing something. She was a member of Blackwell Church of Christ. She loved each of her children differently, all of them had their own relationships with her, and will have those memories to carry on.

During the last year of her life, Judy, Jamie, and Rebecca were able to take her to her doctor's appointments and take care of her and spend time with her not only caring for her but trying to uplift her spirits through everything that was going on. The family was able to find solace that she knew the Lord and could rely on Him for her strength and her salvation. The family found it difficult to watch her go through her illness, but find comfort that she is no longer suffering and has joined her parents, siblings and grandchildren who passed before her and most of all in her Savior's arms.

Officiating will be Donald Roberson.

Pallbearers will be: Andrew Bridges, Jesse James, Frank James, Sammy Lee James, Corey Yarbrough, Wayne James, Robert Peeler.

Honorary Pallbearers are: John Hopper, Eli Allen, Samuel Hill, David Peeler, T.J. Colom, Chris Gray, Travis Voyles, Glyn Gurley.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **24.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McBride Funeral Home, Inc.  
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OCT **25.** 7:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall

JP

“ Rest easy in the arms of Jesus



jamie bridge's patterson - October 24, 2024 at 11:09 PM

JW

“ Jeffrey W. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dorothy Ann James Hopper.

Jeffrey W. - October 23, 2024 at 08:00 PM

SF

“ Sammy Lee & Janet (James) & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dorothy Ann James Hopper.

Sammy Lee & Janet (James) & Family - October 23, 2024 at 07:15 PM

SF

“ Sammy Lee & Janet (James) & Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Dorothy Ann James Hopper.



Sammy Lee & Janet (James) & Family - October 23, 2024 at 07:15 PM

NJ

“ WHAT A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN INSIDE AND OUT...SHE WAS MY SECOND MOM ALL THE WAY THROUGH SCHOOL AND THE MOM TO MY BEST FRIEND!!! I LOVE YALL JAMIE...

Neecole Joy - October 23, 2024 at 04:28 PM

JP

Love you too Neecole joy

jamie bridge's patterson - October 24, 2024 at 11:06 PM

IF

“ Inez Winkles And Family lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Ann James Hopper



Inez winkles and family - October 23, 2024 at 04:16 PM

BB

“ Bettie L Bass lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Ann James Hopper



Bettie L Bass - October 23, 2024 at 04:14 PM

JJ

“ I love and miss you Aunt Dot. Forever a heart of gold.



Justin H Johnson - October 23, 2024 at 04:02 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dorothy Ann James Hopper.



October 23, 2024 at 03:12 PM



“ Such a beautiful soul. Prayers for comfort in this difficult time. May God wrap his loving arms around Dorothy & all of her loved ones.



**SJ Harrison-Gates** - October 23, 2024 at 01:06 PM



“ FHS Class of 2009 purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Dorothy Ann James Hopper.



**FHS Class of 2009** - October 23, 2024 at 12:51 PM



“ SherryNorrisCrawford lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Ann James Hopper



**SherryNorrisCrawford** - October 23, 2024 at 12:49 PM

WS

“ Wanda Smith lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Ann James Hopper



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**Wanda Smith** - October 23, 2024 at 11:23 AM

SM

“ Dot, I tenebrous those times where we'd shut on your bed and sing your songs. You impressed me enough to keep writing myself. The nights we spent at great grandma James"house always was fun because we shared jokes, asked gran what he life was like before she married poppa. I feel over when she said they eloped with a reason and a mule lol. You thought my reaction was so funny. But have to remember I was an army brat and that kind of thing was want seen. Picking cotton with you, eating watermelon on the back of papa's studebaker truck. So many memories as we were kids. I miss your smile. Still love you. Sherry McQuoid

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**Sherry McQuoid** - October 23, 2024 at 10:47 AM

MD

“ Aunt dot you was one of a kind always so sweet and kind even after my divorce from Sammy Lee you still showed love and kindness to me you was a great aunt love you rest in peace sweet lady in the arms of Jesus

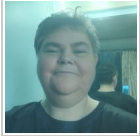
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**Melissa James Dille** - October 23, 2024 at 05:58 AM

JP

“ My beautiful mother, my heart, my best friend. Oh how I miss thee so much that I don't know what to do. I Live you so much, but so Thankful you're no longer suffering and in pain. You're at peace and in the arms of Jesus! I love u mom❤️💙

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**Jamie Bridges Patterson** - October 23, 2024 at 05:30 AM



“ So sorry for your loss from the granddaughter of Lovie Ray Manley.

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**Karen Berkley** - October 22, 2024 at 10:34 PM

LB

“ We will miss you Maw Dot!



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**Laken Bridges** - October 22, 2024 at 06:42 PM

SL

“ So sorry for your loss! Prayers for each of you ❤️

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**Stephanie Longoria** - October 22, 2024 at 05:57 PM

CH

*Dorothy & me were cousins. Her daddy & my PawPaw were brothers. I grew up knowing her & her family all my life & would see them whenever we would visit Grandma & Grandpa James. I adored her & her family. We played together as kids along with Wayne & Herman. Me & her late brother Sammy share the same birthday. Rest peacefully dear cousin. You will be missed and know you were loved.*

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**Cathy Huddleston-James** - October 27, 2024 at 10:45 AM