



## Dorothy Jennings-Williams

August 3, 1928 - January 27, 2020

Dorothy Julia Jennings-Williams born August 3, 1928 passed away peacefully on January 27, 2020 at the age of 91 in Saint Augustine, Florida. She was preceded in death by her loving husband Robert G. Williams, previous husband and author Gary Jennings, and beloved sister and companion Catherine Anne Merkle. Dorothy was further survived by many loving, close friends throughout Florida, California, New Jersey, New York & Pennsylvania. Throughout her life, Dorothy was an entrepreneur, proprietor and life-long advocate for education being a graduate of Hunter College in New York City, NY with a Bachelor of Science Degree in English in 1961 and of Lebanon Valley College in Annville, PA with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Music in 2004. For most of her life, Dorothy was a generous benefactor to many families, organizations and charities throughout Central Pennsylvania and Northern Florida. For several decades, she financed and facilitated the annual Operation Christmas Child in which Lebanon Valley College globally distributed 1,000 shoeboxes filled with toys to children in need. She also arranged for large community service trips with Lebanon Valley College students to assist the elderly and several churches in Saint Augustine, Florida. As part of the Saint Augustine community, Dorothy passionately sang in the choirs of the Shores United Methodist Church and the Saint Augustine Community Choir and frequented the Council of Aging. Dorothy enjoyed vacationing and spending holidays with friends who became her diverse, extended family. She was an animal lover (especially to her beloved Chloe

and Gizmo), a supporter of the Arts, a wonderful verbal autobiographer, a gourmet, and an avid shopper. Dorothy will always be remembered as a big-hearted and open-handed soul who was always willing and able to help those she loved. She was one-of-a-kind and will be deeply missed.

# Tribute Wall

DA

“ Love and miss you Aunt Dorothy I love this picture of you and Gizmo ❤️  
Love always,  
Daina Pearson-Silcox



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**Daina** - September 30, 2020 at 05:40 PM

KP

“ Aunt Dorothy, keep on singing.

*My Life Flows on in Endless Song*

*My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentations;  
I hear the sweet though far off hymn that hails a new creation.  
Through all the tumult and strife I hear the music ringing;  
It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?*

*What though my human comforts die, the Lord my Savior liveth;  
What though the darkness gather round, songs in the night God giveth.  
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging;  
Since Love is God of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?*

*I lift mine eyes, the cloud grows thin; I see the blue above it.  
Day by day this path way smooths since first I learned to love it.  
The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing;  
All things are mine since I am God's. How can I keep from singing?*

*Poem attributed to Pauline T.*

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**Kathy Pearson** - September 24, 2020 at 11:22 PM

SL

“ We miss you, Dorothy. We are so grateful for your friendship.  
Wishing you peace, The Lansberrys.

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**Sidney Lansberry** - September 24, 2020 at 09:17 PM

MB

“ Will always remember Dorothy as a caring soul who enjoyed her life to the fullest. You are deeply missed by many💕

Maryann Barraco - September 24, 2020 at 01:33 PM

BR

“ 3 files added to the album Dorothy



Brit Reed - September 24, 2020 at 11:31 AM

MB

Thank you Brit for putting this together. Although we never met always heard wonderful things about you and your family.

Maryann Barraco - September 24, 2020 at 01:31 PM

BR

My pleasure. Frustrated that it took so long, but grateful that we can finally honor her memory. Thank you. Likewise, Maryann!

Brit Reed - September 24, 2020 at 09:09 PM

BR

“ 1 file added to the album Dorothy



Brit Reed - September 24, 2020 at 11:26 AM

JM

“ I hope that you are smiling down at me!!! I didn't know that your health had taken a turn and am saddened that I missed seeing you. May all the kindness you've shown speak for you, forever in our hearts.

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**Jan and Mike McCullough** - September 23, 2020 at 10:23 AM

AC

“ Rest well, Dorothy. You were such a wonderful woman. Thank you for all that you have done for me and my family. Annie

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**Annie Carmine** - September 23, 2020 at 10:14 AM

MA

“ Thank you for all the wonderful memories. You are missed, Dorothy. I am saddened that you passed on my birthday, but love that I had the chance to live with you for several memorable years. Go dance with the angels, Dorothy! ~Mand

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**Mand** - September 23, 2020 at 10:09 AM

BE

“ Miss you, Dorothy! You were such a beautiful, kind soul. Your generosity knew no bounds and your fun-loving personality will forever be missed. Rest in peace. ~Love, The Bellows

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**Bellows** - September 23, 2020 at 10:05 AM