



## Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck

April 12, 1934 - August 8, 2021

Dorothy "Dottie" (Day) Speck, 87, of Monrovia, was released of all her earthly ailments, passing from this life in the comfort of her home on Sunday, August 8, 2021. She was born in Gosport on April 12, 1934, to the late Alva Burl and Frances Marie (Davis) Day.

Entering this world as the fourth child of seven, Dottie was blessed to be part of a large and loving family. Growing up as the daughter of a man who loved music, she spent much of her life in the old Dance Hall located at the corner of State Roads 39 and 142, where the passion for tunes was instilled in her at an early age.

A proud 1952 graduate from Monrovia High School, she secured employment in downtown Indianapolis, where she met her future husband and soulmate, Claude. He asked her to lunch, taking her to the fanciest of restaurants, where she ordered a braunschweiger sandwich; it was in that moment he knew she was the one. The blissful couple were happily united in marriage on March 12, 1955, in the very same dance hall she grew up in.

Throughout the years, Dottie worked for several companies as a skilled office manager, including the '76 Truck Stop, the Capitol Building, and Blue Cross/Blue Shield, before retiring from the Plainfield Eagles. She was an active member of several Veterans' organizations, attending frequently,

including the American Legion Post 230/103, Fraternal Order of Eagles Post 3207/3988, along with holding a lifetime membership with the VFW Post 1111.

One to never let grass grow under her feet, Dottie lived life to the fullest, treating each day as if it were her last. Charismatic to the core, she never met a stranger nor held a negative attitude. She reveled in the treasure of music, and was instilled with an innate ability to dance, sing, and even yodel. Family oriented, she held them all high, spending weekends with the large extended clan she held most dearly. They were her heart and soul, and she never missed an opportunity to attend her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren's sporting events; continuously cheering them on from the stands. A true matriarch and masterful cook she took great pride in Sunday dinners, feeding all who came. Dottie was one of the most kindest, warmest, sweetest people you could ever meet, just ask anyone who had the pleasure to know her. She leaves behind a legacy of love, hope and light for generations to come, and will be deeply missed.

Along with her parents, Dottie was preceded in death by her husband of 52 years, Claude E. Speck, Jr, and siblings David "Romain" Day, Phyllis Sanford, Cleo Landrey, and Colleen VanHook.

She leaves behind her children Bruce Speck (Terri) of Monrovia, Brian Speck (Lola) of Mooresville, Claudia McGowan (Greg) of Monrovia, Brad Speck (Gina) of Monrovia, Carla Cadwell (Dave) of Marco Island, FL, and Brent Speck of Monrovia; siblings Darlene (Day) Hadley of Camby and Paul Day of Plainfield; 18 grandchildren and 36 great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., on Saturday, August 14, 2021, at Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel with a Celebration of Life Service beginning promptly at 2:00 p.m. Pastor Steve Ranson will officiate, and burial will follow in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Hall. To share a favorite story, send an

online condolence to the family, or light a candle in Dottie's memory, please search @MonroviaFuneralHome on social media or visit her tribute page at [www.lightmemorial.com](http://www.lightmemorial.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Mt Pleasant Cemetery, Hall

5409 W. Hurt Road  
Monrovia, IN 46157

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 14. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel  
585 East Main Street  
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## Celebration of Life Service

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# Tribute Wall

EB

“ Emma Jones Burdine sent a virtual gift in memory of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck



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**Emma Jones Burdine** - August 14, 2021 at 02:39 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck.



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August 14, 2021 at 07:23 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck.



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August 13, 2021 at 10:37 PM



“ 232 files added to the album LifeTributes



Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - August 13, 2021 at 06:22 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck.



August 13, 2021 at 02:17 PM



“ I have shared lots of memories with Dottie that I will never forget. God Bless the friends and family!

Nancy Fine - August 13, 2021 at 11:22 AM



“ Joni Hoop lit a candle in memory of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck



Joni Hoop - August 13, 2021 at 10:29 AM

JH

“ *What a beautiful summary of a beautiful life. We love you Aunt Dorothy you'll never be forgotten. May your soul soar ever higher. Joni, Grace, Shelly, Jeanne, Don, Rick and Sondra*

Joni Hoop - August 13, 2021 at 10:28 AM

CC

“ *Darlene, Paul n all the family - May God give u peace n comfort n this time of sorrow n n the days n weeks to come - Thoughts n Prayers r with all of u* 🌹❤️🙏



Carolyn n Larry Clements - August 12, 2021 at 08:13 PM

DF

“ *Doug, Nancy and the Day Family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck.*



Doug, Nancy and the Day Family - August 12, 2021 at 04:00 PM

SS

“ *Sondra Smith lit a candle in memory of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck*



Sondra Smith - August 12, 2021 at 02:11 PM

KF

“ Kevin & Kathy Day & family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck.



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Kevin & Kathy Day & family - August 12, 2021 at 09:39 AM

MJ

“ Claude and Dorothy helped make my childhood so memorable. They hauled Brent and I all over the WCC to football games in the back of Claude's truck (with a camper shell). Not a better neighborhood to grow up in than ours. Lived a full life and made so many people smile. Prayers to all. Thanks again Dorothy.

Love,  
Mark Jaynes

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Mark Jaynes - August 12, 2021 at 07:38 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck.



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August 12, 2021 at 06:51 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck.*



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August 12, 2021 at 06:41 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck.*



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August 11, 2021 at 05:16 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck.*



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August 11, 2021 at 02:14 PM



“ *Aunt Dorothy was such a kind soul and loved everyone equally. My fondest memories were getting to stay all night with my cousins and falling asleep on “pallet bed” watching army or western movies while our parents played euchre.  
Rest easy, Brett and Vicki*

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**Brett Baker** - August 11, 2021 at 10:40 AM

RE

“ Love and prayers to all of you. Dottie/mom was a special person to me, many memories to cherish forever. Rest easy doll.



Reta - August 11, 2021 at 07:13 AM

CK

“ She was such a sweet Lady! Her and her family has been in our lives for many years! We will cherish all the sweet Memories! Thoughts and Prayers to all the family! We Love all of you! ❤️😘😊

Charlene Knight - August 10, 2021 at 10:43 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck.



August 10, 2021 at 08:02 PM

PZ

“ Pamela Zahn lit a candle in memory of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck



Pamela Zahn - August 10, 2021 at 05:39 PM

JR

“ Jackie Royal lit a candle in memory of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck



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**Jackie Royal** - August 10, 2021 at 05:28 PM

PZ

“ Pamela And Bill Zahn purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck.



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**Pamela And Bill Zahn** - August 10, 2021 at 05:16 PM



“ Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Dorothy "Dottie" I. Speck.



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August 10, 2021 at 04:49 PM