

DOROTHY BLAKE



In Loving Memory of Dorothy Blake our beloved mother, peacefully joined her adored husband in Heaven on July 8, 2023. She lived a life filled with love, laughter, and cherished moments with her family. Dorothy, born on June 10, 1929, in Conrad, Montana, was raised on a farm by her parents, Harry and Cornelia Elliott, alongside her five brothers and one sister. She often shared colorful stories of her

upbringing, which shaped her into the remarkable woman we knew and loved.

Dorothy will always be remembered as a kind, gentle, and compassionate soul. Her presence brought joy and warmth to all those around her, and her love for her family knew no bounds. As a loving mother and grandmother, she created countless treasured memories with her loved ones. Her wonderful sense of humor and her knack for sharing silly jokes and laughter will forever be remembered.

Dorothy's dedication to her family was unwavering. She made her house a true home, filling it with love and happiness. She excelled in various domestic and recreational pursuits, including cooking, gardening, sewing, reading, singing, genealogy, and art. Her talents and passion for these activities created an atmosphere of comfort and love that resonated with all who entered her home.

But Dorothy's impact reached far beyond her family. She was actively involved in her community and found great joy in helping others. Her selfless nature and desire to make a positive impact led her to participate in various organizations such as the Cross Roads Presbyterian Church, the church choir, The Little Music Society, Passavant Hospital Auxiliary Treasurer, and Meal On Wheels. Through her volunteer work, Dorothy touched the lives of many and left an indelible mark on those in need.

After graduating from Montana State University in Bozeman with a degree in dietetics, Dorothy went to California to work in the VA Hospital and then relocated to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where she met her devoted husband, Dr. Karl Blake. Together, they raised six children: John Blake, Thomas Blake (Kathy), Nancy Interval (Ken), Matthew Blake (Patty), Dwight Blake (Becky), and Suzanne Watson (John). Dorothy's love and guidance helped shape their lives, and her legacy lives on through her cherished children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and siblings. Dorothy's grandchildren are Jessica (Dan), April (Cliff), Erik (Rory), Victoria (Brandon), Emily (Drew), Mandy (Billy), Christopher, Ian, Casey, Kelli (Mo), Blake, Andrew (Helen), Hannah, Olivia (Adam), Madeline, David, Stefanie, and Melanie; her great-grandchildren are Lila, Quinnie, Tessa, Aurora, Kyla, Blake, Connor, Coco, Elsie; with two great-grandsons on the way in August and September. She is also survived by her sister, Esther Finlayson (affectionately called each other "Mac") of Conrad, Montana; and her brother, Carl Elliott of Bend, Oregon.

Dorothy is now reunited with her parents, husband Karl, granddaughter Hannah Marie Blake, and her brothers Austin Elliott, Joe Elliott, Everett Elliott, and Ray Elliott. While we mourn the loss of such an extraordinary woman, we find solace in knowing that she is at peace in the loving embrace of her heavenly family.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that donations be made in her memory and honor to Cross Roads Presbyterian Church, located at 3281 Wexford Road, Gibsonia, PA 15044.

Dorothy Blake will be remembered as a remarkable woman who touched the lives of all who knew her. Her legacy of love, kindness, and generosity will continue to inspire generations to come. May she rest in eternal peace.

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