



Dorothy "Dottie" M. Broeren

September 22, 1929 - September 13, 2021

Dorothy "Dottie" Neumueller Broeren

Dottie was welcomed home by her Lord on September 13, 2021 at age 91. She passed away in her home after a brief battle with cancer. She was born in Whittlesey, WI on September 22, 1929 to Rudolph and Helen Neumueller, one of 11 children. She graduated from Medford High School and left home to pursue her dream of becoming a nurse at St. Luke's Presbyterian Hospital's nursing program in Chicago. There was a cross-country road trip with some of her classmates that included a stop at the Grand Canyon and a mule-back ride to the floor of the canyon.

Dottie married James "Jim" Broeren, also from Medford, in 1953 in Landstuhl, Germany while Jim was serving in the Air Force at Ramstein Air Force Base, with a honeymoon in Paris. They lived in Wausau briefly after his discharge from service, then moved to Minocqua in 1957, where they raised their four daughters.

"Nurse Dottie" worked as a nurse for Dr. Hiatt and at Lakeland Medical Associates, retiring as Drs. Jim and Lorraine Houlihan's nurse.

Always a talented seamstress, she sewed for her girls and herself, also doing alterations. Dottie always dressed stylishly, along with a great pair of shoes! She loved tending her flower beds at their home on Brunswick Road, where they built the home they would live in from 1959 – 2017. Countless picnics and family celebrations were held there, always with Dottie's delicious meals served.

Dottie and Jim loved to travel, visiting Alaska, Hawaii, Branson, MO and much of the U.S., Montreal, Canada, the U.K. and back to Germany, as well as a month in Florida every winter for many years.

She was a devoted member of Trinity Lutheran Church, serving on numerous committees. Dottie was also active in local organizations such as the Jaycettes, PTA, Republican Women's Club, and the Ladies Auxilliary at Lakeland Hospital and Howard Young Medical Center. Dottie and Jim danced alongside Elizabeth Taylor and husband John Warner at the dedication gala for HYMC.

She is reunited with her parents, 6 brothers and 2 sisters, dear husband Jim and beloved daughter Lynne Beverung.

Dottie is dearly missed by daughters, Barbara (Chuck) Schneider, Jeanne Gauthier, Leslee (Jeff) Skebba and son-in-law Bob Beverung. She was loving Nana to her grandchildren: Molly (Nic) Herdrich, Jennifer (Erik) Fossum, Joe (Hailey) Schneider, Kristin Schneider, Nick Gauthier, Kate Gauthier, Jay Skebba and Laura Skebba; and great grandchildren: Noah and Sloan Herdrich, Rosie, Ellie and Brynne Fossum, and Brooklyn Schneider. Also by sister Esther Schafman, brother Vern (MaryEllen) Neumueller, sisters-in-law Ginnie Neumueller, Goldie Broeren and Marion Broeren, many nieces and nephews and all the friends she made over her lifetime.

The family wishes to thank all who sent prayers, cards, called or visited Dottie these last weeks, as well as her loving care-givers from Trinity and Compassus Hospice. She loved all of you for your thoughtfulness.

Memorials may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church, 8781 Brunswick Road, Minocqua, WI 54548.

Visitation will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church on Saturday, October 23rd, 2021 at 10:00 AM, with a Memorial Service at 11:00 AM with luncheon to follow.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Trinity Lutheran Church
Minocqua, WI

Memorial Service

OCT **23**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Minocqua, WI

Tribute Wall

JH

“ So many memories over so many years of Jim and Dottie. So kind, so gentle. We were all so pleased she was able to make it to Dad's celebration at the end of July. God bless. ~~ Joe Handrick

joe handrick - September 26, 2021 at 01:53 PM

JR

“ There will be a common theme when talking about Dottie. She was caring, strong, thoughtful, smiling, a fashionista and a petite person who loved fun. Her love of life showed just how precious it is. What an example of a child of God! And now she has her Crown promised by our Savior. My very best memory..... a dear friend!

Joanne Radloff

Joanne Radloff - September 25, 2021 at 02:31 PM

JB

“ Dottie became a friend when I moved to Hazelhurst...she saw how out of place I was and I found her to be a very kind and caring person...someone who I could count on. Dottie always had a smile and a good word for everyone.

Joyce Bant - September 23, 2021 at 06:29 PM

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“ *Dottie was a Child of God and it showed in everything she did. I didn't know Dottie during her nursing days, but when you think of the word 'Nurse' Dottie was the perfect illustration. She was always caring for others. She was petite but packed full of fire and determination. I knew Dottie best through the Republican Party. She fought for what she believed in. Thank-you, Dottie! Blessings. Carol Cady*

Carol Cady - September 16, 2021 at 04:36 PM