



## Dorothy Annette Orton

February 1, 1939 - October 30, 2024

Dorothy “Dot” Annette Orton of Pulaski, Tennessee passed away Wednesday, October 30th, 2024, at Maury Regional Hospital in Columbia, Tennessee. She was born in Lawrence County, TN on February 1st, 1939 and was 85 years old.

Dot was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She was a member of East Hill Church of Christ where she enjoyed bible studies and church activities. She was also a member of the Pulaski Gardening club and the Night Bloomers Gardening Club. She enjoyed gardening, cooking, sewing, and canning. She was instrumental in seeing the needs and helping others in her community. Also, she was a vital part of the growth of Dr. Joel Orton’s optometry practice.

A visitation will be held on Monday, November 4th, 2024 from 12:00pm until 2:00pm at Bennett-May & Pierce Funeral Home.

The funeral service will follow at 2:00pm in the chapel of Bennett-May & Pierce Funeral Home with Bro. Paul Sain officiating.

Burial will be held at Giles Memory Garden.

Dot was preceded in death by her parents, Gilbert and Lillian Woodard Pennington, brother, Leonard Pennington and sisters, Arbidene Foster and Marie Marshall

She is survived by,

Husband of 66 years, Joel Orton of Pulaski, TN

Daughter, Joanna McConnell of Murfreesboro, TN

Daughter, Lara (Bryan) Bowen of Nashville, TN

Grandchildren, Jessica and Andrew McConnell and Kyler and Callan Bowen

Several nieces and nephews also survive.

Bennett-May & Pierce Funeral Home and Crematory is in charge of the arrangements for Dorothy "Dot" Annette Orton.

## Cemetery Details

### Giles Memory Garden

140 Bethel Road  
Pulaski, TN

## Previous Events

### Funeral Service

NOV 4. 2:00 PM (CT)

Bennett- May & Pierce Funeral Home and Crematory  
1910 Elkton Pike  
Pulaski, TN 38478

# Tribute Wall

CP

“ *Joanna and Laura*  
*I am so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. I just discovered that she passed. Praying for strength, comfort and strength*



**Carole Parker** - December 29, 2024 at 02:57 PM

SM

“ *I met Dot a few years ago when she was looking for an avon lady. I always enjoyed delivering to her and visiting with her. so sorry for your families loss.*  
*Sheryl Murrell*

**Sheryl K Murrell** - November 06, 2024 at 09:57 PM

HP

“ *I had a conversation with Mrs. Orton several years ago about a button that had popped off my pants. She told me just to go home and sew it back on. I told her I didn't know how to do that as she looked back at me in shock. haha. Next thing, she called and invited me to lunch at Reeves, brought a homemade sewing kit, out of her collection. I still use the pin pillow today and think of her every time I use it. She didn't know me very well but, she was so kind to take the time to teach me how to sew on a button. I have always held onto that.*

**Holly Pinkelton** - November 04, 2024 at 04:38 PM

LB

*Holly thank you so much for sharing this precious memory. My family will definitely treasure this. Lara Orton Bowen*

**Lara Bowen** - November 05, 2024 at 10:52 AM



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**Bennett - May & Pierce Funeral Home and Crematory** - November 04, 2024 at 12:51 PM



“ Shannon Garner lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Annette Orton



**Shannon Garner** - November 03, 2024 at 09:02 AM



“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



**kaitlin** - November 01, 2024 at 03:57 PM



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**Bennett - May & Pierce Funeral Home and Crematory** - November 01, 2024 at 02:00 PM



“ *TammyNilesSimmons lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Annette Orton*



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**TammyNilesSimmons** - October 31, 2024 at 11:18 PM