



## Dorothy "Dottie" Pettyjohn

June 12, 1945 - May 30, 2024

IN MEMORY OF:

DOROTHY "DOTTIE" PETTYJOHN

Serving Location:

CRAIN PLEASANT GROVE-MURDALE FUNERAL HOME

31 Memorial Drive, Murphysboro, Illinois

Dorothy "Dottie" Pettyjohn passed peacefully away Thursday, May 30, 2024 in Memorial Hospital of Carbondale from complications of heart disease.

She is survived by her partner of 17 years, Gary Smith.

Born in Moline, IL she was the daughter of Richard and Audrey Kight. Dottie attended United Township High School in East Moline. She was a homemaker, ceramist and an artist. Later in life she enjoyed serving as an activity director at a local nursing facility.

Dottie loved her family, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. She loved art, coloring, painting and ceramics. Her church family meant the world to her. She also enjoyed shopping at Wal-Mart, Rural King and Ross's and made many friends on her shopping adventures.

She loved her cats and cared for many furry friends thought her lifetime. Most recently she made a wonderful home for her feline friends, Honey Bun, Minnie May, Callie and Baby Callie.

Dottie is survived by her partner, Gary Smith of Murphysboro; her daughters, Jill (Dean) Veskauf of Morton and Jana (Jeff) McDaniel of Belleville; grandchildren, Alaina (Ryan) White of Germantown Hills; Drew (Bethany) Veskauf of Morton; Meredith McDaniel of Mississippi; Caleb McDaniel of Illinois; Mikayla (Trevor) Budick of Swansea and Mariah McDaniel of Murphysboro; great-grandchildren, Brayden Avery, Zoey, Jovi & Donovan. She is preceded in death by her parents, her sisters, Judy Versluis and Mary Jo Kenady; her son-in-law, Jeffrey McDaniel and great-granddaughter, Lily Ann. Brown.

A Celebration of Life Memorial hosted by the family will be held on July 1, 2024 in Dottie's home church, Victory Christian Fellowship Church, 414 N 2nd St., Murphysboro from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm.

Expressions of love may be directed to the Victory Christian Fellowship Church, 414 N 2nd St., Murphysboro, IL 62966.

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUL 1. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Victory Christian Fellowship  
414 N. 2nd Street  
Murphysboro , IL 62966

# Tribute Wall

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“ *I remember the first time I met Dottie. It was at a Hardee's in Knoxville, IL. She was a lovely lady.*

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**Janet Shauman** - June 10, 2024 at 05:47 PM