



Dorothy "Dort" Riley

May 26, 1927 - August 8, 2017

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Mrs. Dorothy "Dort" Riley, 90, of Indianapolis, Indiana passed away August 8, 2017 at 4:30 AM. She was born in La Porte, Indiana to the late Richard and Loretta Pruden on May 26, 1927, one of 11 children. At the age of 16, in 1943, during WWII, Mrs. Riley was a warden with the Indiana Civilian Defense patrolling the streets after curfew. When she turned 17 she worked as a riveter at Modine Manufacturing Co. in La Porte to support the war effort.

Dort attended Purdue University from 1945 to 1947 before moving to Indianapolis. There she was introduced to Harrison Robert "Bob" Riley whom she married on March 31 1951 and raised six children in a home filled with love and faith. She leaves behind a legacy of love for her family and friends and memories of her great generosity and her wonderful sense of humor.

Dort volunteered in many organizations including the Holy Spirit RCIA and the Indiana Right to Life, for which she worked 25 years, including the booth at the State Fair fighting for the lives of unborn children. She volunteered at her church in many capacities and always found a way to live out her faith by helping those around her.

Dort was preceded in death by her husband of 39 years, Bob Riley; and her siblings. She is survived by her loving children, Kathleen (David) Brown, Maureen O'Mara, David (Mary) Riley, Dan (Sheila) Riley, Gary (Julie) Riley and Robert "Rob" (Sandy) Riley; 15 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren;

and a brother-in-law, John Hennessy.

A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday, August 12, 2017 at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 7243 East 10th Street, Indianapolis with visitation from 9:30 a.m. until the time of service at 10:00 a.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to Indiana Right to Life, 9465 Counselors Row, Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46240 or online at www.irtl.org.

Cemetery Details

Crown Hill Cemetery

700 W. 38th St.
Indianapolis, IN 46208

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

AUG 12. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Holy Spirit Catholic Church
7243 East 10th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46219

Memorial Mass

AUG 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Indianapolis, IN 46219

Tribute Wall

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“ I remember how my mom always made sure that we held our faith and understood the love of Jesus Christ.
Don't spare the rod. Mom was the main disciplinarian of our home along with so much more. Mom controlled the finances. Shopped at ALL the discount stores, and knew where every mark down cart was in EVERY store within a mile. This is how she made sure we all 6 kids ate healthy meals on 1 income.
Mom also opened me up to know and to be comfortable to go to garage sales. And always ask for a bargain. Now i always ask in everything. Mom said (if you don't ask, you'll never know).
And yes, the unconditional LOVE. She knew how to listen to us and always ask. (How is you family.) And she really wanted to know.
I love you Mom.
I miss you. BUT, now He has you. That's ok
Daniel (Danny Gerard)

Daniel Riley - June 17, 2018 at 10:21 AM