



## Dorothy G. Groom

December 28, 1928 - March 21, 2022

Dorothy G. Groom (Dot) passed away on March 21, 2022 at the age of 93. She was born in Decatur (Atlanta), Georgia on December 28, 1928. At an early age, her family moved to Statesville, North Carolina where she would become a student at Sacred Heart Catholic School. They would soon move once again to Lakeland, Florida.

After graduating from Lakeland High School, Dot moved to Atlanta where she went on a blind date with a young man that would become her husband and the love of her life, David Groom. They spent their fifty-seven years of marriage enjoying their companionship, traveling, and making memories with the family they started.

Survivors include her five children: Eric Groom (Terrie), Terry Rials (Jim), Cathy Reed, Steve Groom (Angela), Matthew Groom (Karen); fifteen grandchildren: Eric Groom, Jr., Chris Groom, Scott Rials, Derek Rials, Dorothy Lewis Boerger, Ben Lewis, Jennifer Lewis Fountain, Icy Reed Conn, Miles Reed, Melissa Groom, David Groom, Daniel Groom, Alexandra Groom Cockerham, William Groom, and Grant Groom as well as twenty-nine great grandchildren and a host of extended family members. She is now reunited with her late husband who preceded her in 2005.

Dot was loved by her family as well as the countless lives she touched during

her 93 years. She will always be remembered as the matriarch of her family and as a talented bridge player who obtained the level of Life Master. She also enjoyed innumerable friendships that she made throughout the years and will be deeply missed by her family and friends alike.

A private service will be held by the family at a later date.

Breanna Green of Bevis Funeral Home is assisting the Groom family with their arrangements. (850-385-2193 or [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com))

# Tribute Wall

AP

“ *Our Tallahassee bridge club is really missing Dot these days. She was such a pleasant person that I never minded when she got a good result when I played against her. I know that she had some health struggles toward the end of her life, especially with her legs, that made it difficult for her to get around -- BUT she always wanted to play bridge!*



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**amy peterson** - April 18, 2022 at 02:06 PM

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**Laney Rials** - March 29, 2022 at 12:44 PM

DB

“ Here’s some pics from the time PeePaw, Granny, and Uncle Matt came to visit while we lived in Belgium. We rented a VW van to drive through France, Switzerland, Austria and Germany. Then all 8 of us piled into my dad’s little Mercury Capris two-door hatchback to drive to England. Good times! LOL



Dorothy Lewis Boerger - March 29, 2022 at 09:53 AM

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Jennifer Fountain - March 28, 2022 at 05:02 PM

RG

“ sorry for your loss she will truly be missed we would talk from time to time she would say to me once she moved that I would forget her I said never she was my dear friend she loved doing her lottery tickets then she would want me to check them for her it was very shocking to me to here this I will always remember her love Rita from Allegro

Rita Gibbons - March 28, 2022 at 12:55 PM

GL

“ I'll forever miss you Granny. I loved getting your chex mix every holiday season.



Gloria - March 27, 2022 at 03:44 PM

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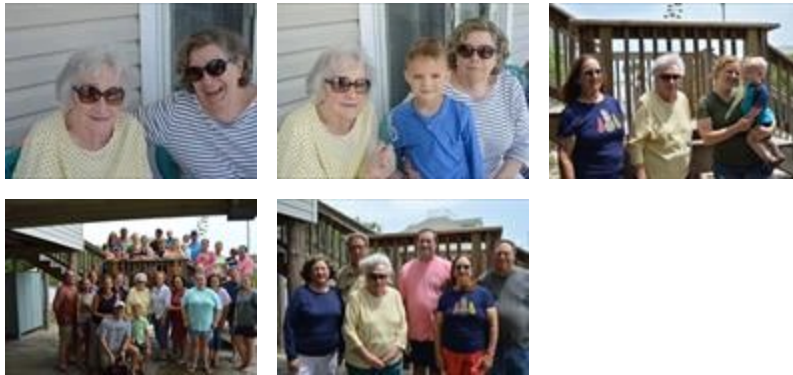
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Katie Rials - March 27, 2022 at 08:30 AM

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“ Thankful for years of beach memories and family gatherings, quick wit, pimento cheese and cake!



Katie Rials - March 26, 2022 at 08:23 PM

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Angela S. Groom - March 26, 2022 at 08:34 AM

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*Dot in the arms of David, they had a terrific life!*

Angela S. Groom - March 26, 2022 at 08:36 AM

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Bevis Funeral Home - March 25, 2022 at 04:04 PM