



Dorothy Rose Blair

October 16, 1922 - January 31, 2022

Dorothy Rose (Sullivan) Blair, 99, of Hagerstown, IN, passed away Monday, January 31, 2022, at Arbor Trace Senior Living in Richmond, IN.

She was born on October 16, 1922, in Monticello, Arkansas, a daughter of the late John Edward and Artie “Suga” (Duke) Sullivan.

Dorothy Rose graduated from Texas Wesleyan College, taught school and, after marrying William Judson Blair on March 15, 1946, received her Master’s Degree in Religious Education from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, TX. Even though she was approved to enter a doctorate degree program (uncommon in those days), before that ever happened, she and Judson were appointed by the International Mission Board as missionaries to Argentina where they served for 5 years. Then and for the rest of her life, it was always shocking to people to hear such fluent Spanish coming from a little blonde lady! They were then invited to join the missionary staff at the Baptist Spanish Publishing House in El Paso, Texas, where they faithfully ministered for another 35 years until their retirement in 1989. In 1997, they moved to San Angelo, Texas, until Judson’s passing in 2010 at which time she relocated to Hagerstown, IN, where she enjoyed being close to family.

She was a beautiful lady...loved by everyone. In addition to her deep passion

for flowers, as a multitalented person, she created artistic accomplishments in many areas including floral arrangements, mission hospitality, costuming, and drama productions.

Though she will be greatly missed, she has left a legacy of love for God, family, creativity and music that will live on for generations to come.

Those left to cherish her memory include her children, Norma “Linda” Lynn (Jim) Morris of Sanger, TX, Martha “Tita” Louise (Ronnie) Kolb of Hagerstown, IN, and William “Bill” Edward (Ivy) Blair of Elizabethton, TN; 16 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, William Judson Blair; a son, Judson Paul Blair and a sister, Marceille Hollingsworth.

A celebration of her life will be held on October 16, 2022 which would have been her one hundredth birthday.

You may offer the family a personal condolence online at www.sprolesfamilycares.com.

The Sproles family and staff are honored to serve the family of Dorothy Blair.

Tribute Wall

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“ *What a blessing to have known Dot and Jud. They were mentors to Don as a new employee of the Publishing House. We shared many times of fellowship as well. May God continue to bless all of the family as we all celebrate he joining Jud and her Lord in heaven.*
Dana Shelton

Dana J. Shelton - February 16, 2022 at 03:49 PM

MK

Hello, dear Dana! Thank you so much for sharing your sweet memories & kind comments! We thank the Lord for Momma & all the lives she touched. The Lord has truly blessed all our family! We have many fond memories of you two as well! So good to hear from you! May the Lord bless you & keep you! Love, Tita Kolb

Martha Blair Kolb - March 07, 2022 at 04:46 PM

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“ *Hermana Blair (Sister Blair), I was but a child in El Paso, when Brother Blair would visit our church, Iglesia Bautista Trinity, to preach. You were always there with him, the good woman behind the good man. My mother, Gloria, loved you and your family so much, as did the rest of the church. How glorious it must have been for you to hear our LORD say to you, "well done, my good and faithful servant...enter into the joy of your LORD." I thank my God for every remembrance of you.*

*Bobby Olan
Pensacola, FL*

Robert K Olan - February 15, 2022 at 05:19 PM

MK

Thank you for your kind words, Brother. I, too, have memories of going to church there as a family and the sweet, precious brothers & sisters there. Thank you, again, for sharing your memories & comments! God bless & keep you. Martha (Tita) Kolb

Martha Blair Kolb - March 07, 2022 at 04:38 PM