

Celebration of Life
Dorothy Jean Horst



96 Years
Sept 23, 1926 - May 11, 2023

Psalms 16: 1-11

¹ Keep me safe, my God for in you I take refuge.

² I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord;
apart from you I have no good thing."

³ I say of the holy people who are in the land,
"They are the noble ones in whom is all my delight."

⁴ Those who run after other gods will suffer more and more.
I will not pour out libations of blood to such gods
or take up their names on my lips.

⁵ Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup;
you make my lot secure.

⁶ The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
surely I have a delightful inheritance.

⁷ I will praise the Lord, who counsels me;
even at night my heart instructs me.

⁸ I keep my eyes always on the Lord.
With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

⁹ Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;
my body also will rest secure,

¹⁰ because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,
nor will you let your faithful one see decay.

¹¹ You make known to me the path of life;
you will fill me with joy in your presence,
with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

Dorothy Jean Horst, 96, of Hubbard Hill Community, Elkhart IN, went home to be with our Lord on May 11, 2023. Dorothy was born to Cleo and Nellie Mann in Elkhart, IN on Sept 23, 1926. She married (John) Alton Horst on June 9, 1951 in Elkhart.

Dorothy is survived by three sons: John (Phyllis) Horst of Sycamore IL, David (Andrea) Horst of Tiskilwa IL, Paul (Sara) Horst of Guthrie OK and one daughter Ruth (Roger) Shank of Monroe GA, 11 grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren, 2 step-grandchildren and 7 step-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Alton, one son, (James) Mark Horst and her brother, David (Mona) Mann of Glendale AZ.

Dorothy graduated from Elkhart High School and Goshen College with a BA in Education. She taught school in Elkhart for five years until becoming a pastor's wife. Together they served in pastorates in International Falls MN, Sumner IL and Fisher IL.

In 1968 the family moved to Tiskilwa, IL where Alton served as the first full time director of Camp Menno Haven. Along with the challenges of raising 5 children, Dorothy was very involved at the camp as well. She also served in many capacities at the Willow Springs Mennonite Church.

Eventually Dorothy and Alton returned to Elkhart. After 56 years of marriage, Alton passed away on August 16, 2009. Dorothy remained in Elkhart for the remainder of her years.

*When peace like a river attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

*Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.*

*My sin! O the bliss of this glorious thought,
My sin! Not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!*

*And Lord haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul.*

*It is well with my soul.
It is well, it is well with my soul*