



Celebrating
the life of



Dorothy Jean Riven

June 17, 1932



December 31, 2024





Obituary

Dorothy Jean Riven, 92, of Columbus, Ohio, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, December 31, 2024.

Dorothy was born on June 17, 1932, to Charlie and Luella Rodgers in Minter City, Mississippi. In 1946, her family relocated to Sylvania, Ohio, where she attended Burnham High School. After graduating, Dorothy met and married Jesse Lee Riven Sr., with whom she shared a blessed union that resulted in six beloved children: Gerri, JaDora, Jesse Jr., James, Jonathan, and JaMarr.

Music was at the heart of Dorothy's life and home. She, Jesse Sr., and their children were gifted vocalists who used their talents to serve the Lord. This musical legacy continues to thrive through her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who carry forward her passion for song. Dorothy faithfully served her church communities, first at Trinity Faith and later at Pinewood Tabernacle (The Tabernacle) in Toledo, Ohio. She sang in the choir, ushered, and directed the children's "Sunshine Band" choir, touching countless lives through her ministry.

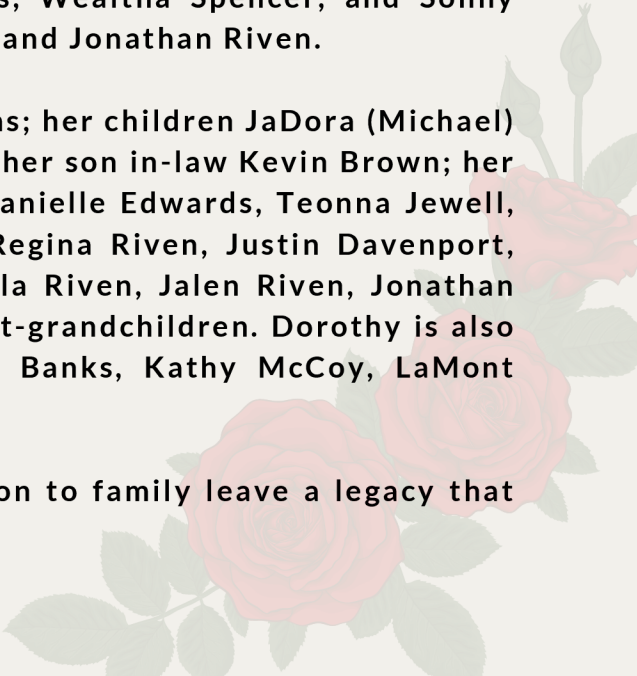
Beyond her faith and music, Dorothy had a vibrant personality and many interests. She loved watching *The Price Is Right*, Westerns, NBA games, and Ohio State football. Her favorite athlete was LeBron James. She also found joy in reading, writing poetry, shopping, cooking, and getting her hair done. Her breakfast rice, a favorite among her grandchildren, remains a cherished memory.

In 2000, Dorothy moved to Columbus, Ohio, where she spent her remaining years surrounded by family and love.

Dorothy is preceded in death by her parents, Charlie and Luella Rodgers; siblings CharLuo Rodgers, Lorraine Rodgers, Mildred Rodgers, Helen Rodgers, Archie Rodgers, Enos Rodgers, Jake Rodgers, Alli Rodgers, Wealtha Spencer, and Sonny Spencer; and her children Gerri Brown, James Riven, and Jonathan Riven.

She is survived by her sister, Betty (Michael) Williams; her children JaDora (Michael) Jewell, Jesse Riven Jr., and JaMarr (Shannon) Riven; her son-in-law Kevin Brown; her grandchildren: Torri (Joshua) Baker, Tana Glover, Danielle Edwards, Teonna Jewell, T'Bony Jewell, Michael Jewell II, Jesse Riven III, Regina Riven, Justin Davenport, JaMarr Riven II, Treasure Riven, Jamaia Riven, Jayla Riven, Jalen Riven, Jonathan Riven, JaDora Riven, and Joya Riven; and many great-grandchildren. Dorothy is also lovingly remembered by her godchildren, Sharyce Banks, Kathy McCoy, LaMont Jones and Jovina Dandridge.

Dorothy's enduring faith, vibrant spirit, and devotion to family leave a legacy that will be cherished forever.





A Celebration of Life

ORDER OF SERVICE



MASTER OF CEREMONY
Evangelist Brenda Mitchell

SCRIPTURE READINGS
Pastor Kevin Brown
Elder Michael Jewell
Sons In-Law

THE LORD'S PRAYER
Torri Baker - Granddaughter

MUSICAL SELECTION
Tyann Glover - Great Granddaughter

REMARKS
Please limit remarks to 2 minutes

READING OF THE OBITUARY
Dr. T'Bony Jewell - Granddaughter

POETRY READING
Jalen Riven - Grandson

MUSICAL SELECTION
Michael Jewell II - Grandson

EULOGY
Overseer Frederick L. McQueen

MUSICAL SELECTION
The Family

VIDEO TRIBUTE



Special Thanks



- Her children, Kevin and Gerri Brown, for over 25 years of loving care
- Her granddaughters Dr. T'Bony Jewell & Tana Glover for special care during her final years
- Her favorite nurse, Tonia Green
- Majestic Care Nursing Facility
- Wesley Glen Nursing Home
- Mount Carmel Hospital
- Marlan J. Gary Funeral Home



John 11:25-26

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Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

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And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.
Believest thou this?



REPASS

12:30 pm

Event Center

5508 East Livingston Ave

Columbus, OH 43232

