



Dorothy "Dottie" Steward

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Dates don't matter. It's the dash in the middle that counts the most. No truer words describe our beloved Dottie's life.

Dottie lived and loved life to its' fullest. From her days as a roller derby queen and drag racer to an avid golfer and witty grandma, nothing stopped her adventurous spirit.

Dottie met and began dating Walter at the age of 14. Little did anyone guess that this courtship and marriage would last over 60 years with 59 of those years in marriage. Walter has quoted that he was the boss as long as she would let him be!

Dottie's selfless nature was evident throughout her life. In the early years of their marriage, Dottie received a most coveted award for putting her hubby through college at the Cooper Union of New York. In 1980, one of several moves brought the family South to Newnan, GA. Without hesitation she took on the responsibility as caregiver to a host of relatives; many of whom were blessed to live in her and Walter's home. She loved living down here and as someone who never met a stranger she was welcomed as an ultimate Southern belle who wasn't born here.

For many years Dottie was a volunteer driver for cancer patients and Meals on Wheels all over Georgia. She was an active supporter of the Rutledge Center and a member of St. George Catholic Church of Newnan.

Dottie's accolades and interests were many. She was a member of Newnan Country Club for 30+ years, as well as a member of Mid-Georgia Women's Golf and Georgia Women's Senior Golf groups. Some of her greatest stories have been told of her and her posse of golfing ladies. Dottie was a member of several bowling leagues. She was known as Queen of the Slots, lover of Bingo, hostess to business parties at the family home for people all over the world, and probably "the best darn cook in the world," with cheese meatballs as her signature dish. Other past times include bird watching and growing flowers as colorful as her life was.

Known as the "go-to" woman with a tenacious, quick witted temperament, she will truly be missed by a host of family and friends.

Dottie is predeceased by her parents Edward and Dorothy O'Brien and brothers Edward, James, and Thomas O'Brien and sisters Valerie O'Brien and Elanor Wegmann and son-in-law Jack Warren and grandson William Steward. Dottie is survived by her husband of nearly 60 years, Walter, of Newnan, brothers Larry O'Brien of New York and Kevin O'Brien (Beverly) of Texas, brother-in-law Michael Steward (Carmella) of New York; son Chuck Steward (Cathy) of Newnan, daughter Doreen Warren of Monroe, grandchildren, Walter Steward of Michigan, Bonnie Steward and Brian Steward of Newnan, Sam Warren and Nick Warren of Monroe, Holly Hinchman (Chad) of Alabama, Heather Wisenhunt (Duston) of Georgia, great-grandchildren Collin and Jude of Alabama and Raeleigh and Mattie of Georgia and dozens of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.mckoon.com

Funeral services will be held Friday, May 25, 2018 at 11:00 AM at St. George Catholic Church with Father Henry Atem officiating. Interment will follow at Forest Lawn Memorial Park. The family will receive friends Thursday, May 24, 2018 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM at McKoon Funeral Home 38 Jackson St. Newnan, GA. Rosary service to immediately follow the visitation.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to Nancy Mader Pancreatic Cancer Action network (www.pancan.org) and/or St. George Catholic Church of

Newnan building fund (www.stgeorgenewnan.org)
McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Memorial Park

656 Roscoe Road
Newnan, GA 30263

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 24. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-4580
care@mckoon.com

Service

MAY 25. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. George Catholic Church
771 Roscoe Rd
Newnan, GA 30263

Tribute Wall

GB

“ I am shocked at Dottie's death, as I had no idea she was ill. After some 65 years as childhood friends back in the day, we were recently friends again via FB. We were just catching up on the "dash." So sad. I think she was a great lady.

Gerard Brooker - August 01, 2018 at 09:20 AM

DM

“ Dear Walt and Family,
We are so sorry for your loss. Dottie will be missed. You and Dottie were like second parents to me and my brothers and sisters, especially Henry, John and Joyce. When ever Mom or Dad said no they went to your house for help. I enjoyed talking to Dottie on our trip home from Texas and I wish we could of visited with all of you. Dad thought very highly of both of you and when ever your names were mentioned he would always have a big smile. I will always remember her beautiful smile and will miss her loving comments on facebook. You and your family will always be in our prayers.

Jack and Diane Mullen

Diane Mullen - June 03, 2018 at 08:12 PM

JK

“ Dear Walt and Family,
I am so sorry for you loss. As I was looking at the pictures posted I remembered the wonderful times we had at parties at your house in NJ. I remember how my Dad's face light up the last time you all came to visit him in PA.
How true it is that our life is not defined by dates but by the dash. Dottie's dash was filled with love of family and love and care for all those she came into contact with.
You and your family will continue to be in our prayers.
John & Deborah Keen

John Keen - May 27, 2018 at 11:48 AM

SP

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God grant you peace during this time
The Popkens
Ryan, Sonya, Maggie and Joseph

Sonya Popken - May 24, 2018 at 08:39 PM

JS

“ So many sweet and funny memories with Dottie on golf course and off! Love Dottie and Walter, and hearts are heavy for her family. It is our hope that her children, grandchildren know how special they were to our community. Hugs and prayers of peace and comfort.
Jodie and Neal Shepard

jodie shepard - May 24, 2018 at 07:38 PM

PK

“ Dottie will be missed so much. She was and will always be family to us. She always had a smile and kept us laughing. This lady would have done anything for anybody who was in need. Such a blessing. Heaven has certainly gained a beauty.....We will see you again! Love you all.

Pat Karr - May 24, 2018 at 05:25 PM

PT

“ Dottie was one of those people who we all wish we had as a friend during our lifetime. Fun, vivacious, go getter, gang buster, ball of fire who was gracious, loving and kind. Whether you were a janitor or the Queen of England you were treated exactly the same. She was born to nurture others and bring smiles to their faces. A one of a kind lady. You will be missed Miss Dottie. You and Walter made a profound difference in my life that I will never forget. My deepest and sincere condolences to your entire family.

Pat Martin Touchston

Pat Martin Touchston - May 24, 2018 at 11:14 AM



“ 98 files added to the album Life Tributes



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - May 24, 2018 at 09:07 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dorothy "Dottie" Steward.



May 23, 2018 at 06:59 PM



“ Mrs. Dottie was one of a kind!!!! She will be truly missed by everyone!!!! She always made me smile and always had a story to tell Love You Mrs. Dottie and I will miss you very much!!! Love,
Tammy

Tammy Bruce - May 23, 2018 at 06:55 PM



“ Walter and entire Steward family our deepest condolences, from Mario and Roy and the entire RM Team. Dottie was a wonderful woman and dear friend. We shared many great memories and times together, she is now looking down on us with my Margaret. She was also the best Roller Derby Queen that we ever met, skate on Dottie!

Roy Ratcliffe - May 23, 2018 at 06:36 PM