



Dorothy "Dot" Cooper

November 10, 1934 - April 12, 2026

Celebrating the Life of Dorothy Lucky Cooper

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Dorothy Lucky Cooper, a woman of profound faith and resilience, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on April 12, 2026. She passed away peacefully in her home, surrounded by the warmth of the family and friends she spent her life cherishing.

Funeral services will be held from Calvary Baptist Church on Friday, April 17, 2026 at 2:00 o'clock with Dr. DWayne Carter Officiating.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment to follow in Hillcrest Memorial Park.

Pallbearers will be Joe W. Faulk III, Joseph W. Faulk, IV, Terrell Yelverton, Justin M. Graham, Kurt H. Lingenfelter, and Roger Loveridge.

A Life of Faith and Service

Born at University Hospital in Augusta, Georgia, to the late Romie and Elnora Key Lucky, Dorothy's journey of faith began early. At the age of 13, during a revival at Olive Road Assembly of God, she accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior—a decision that became the cornerstone of her life. As a devoted member of Pine Hill Baptist Church, she found great joy and community within her beloved Sunday School class.

In her youth, Dorothy's beautiful soprano voice was a gift she shared with the community.

Alongside her sister, Lucille, and Aunt Janelle, she performed in a singing

group called The Faith Trio. Together, they traveled to churches, schools, and local competitions, filling auditoriums with their beautiful harmonies and sharing their love for the Lord.

Dorothy was a proud graduate of the Hephzibah High School Class of 1953. Her professional life was defined by her "helper's heart." She began as a Long Distance Operator for Southern Bell before following a calling into nursing. After earning her Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) diploma from Augusta Technical College in 1978, she began her career at Gracewood State School and Hospital, where her dedication led her to eventually serve as a supervisor. Later, she worked in the University Hospital nursery, where she cherished the task of giving newborns their very first baths, and spent 13 years as a dedicated nurse for pediatrician Dr. W.A. Wilkes, where she was a comforting presence to countless children and parents.

A Legacy of Strength

On October 16, 1953, Dorothy married the love of her life, Marcus Cooper. Together, they shared 44 years of marriage and a bond that withstood the tests of time. Dorothy was a woman of remarkable strength; she was a breast cancer survivor and defied the odds, overcoming a life-threatening pressure injury that required months of grueling rehabilitation. By the grace of God and her own fierce determination, she regained her independence, eventually returning to the simple joys of driving herself to the grocery store and her weekly hair appointments.

The Ultimate Caregiver

Dorothy was known for her quick wit, her contagious laugh, and a refreshingly honest perspective. You could always count on her for the truth—whether it was a word of wisdom or a definitive ruling on who made the best pie at the family gathering.

Dorothy was the "ultimate caregiver," selflessly supporting her daughter Patty through many trials and raising her grandson, Justin, as her own. Her home was a sanctuary of hospitality, marked by the aroma of her amazing cooking

and a welcome that made everyone feel like family. The annual trips to Chesterfield Inn at Myrtle Beach are among the most cherished memories her family will forever hold dear, and Dorothy captured nearly every moment of fun on her large shoulder-mounted video camera.

Family

Dorothy was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Marcus Cooper; her two daughters, Debbie Cooper Faulk and Patty Charlene Cooper; her brother, J.E. Lucky; and her sister, Alma Lucky.

Her legacy of love is carried on by those who survive her:

- Her Sister: Lucille Loveridge.
- Her Son-in-law: Joe W. Faulk III.
- Grandchildren: Justin Marcus Graham and his wife, Brittany.
 - Rebekah Faulk Lingenfelser and her husband, Kurt.
 - Joseph W. Faulk IV and his wife, Sarah.
- Great-Grandchildren: Lydia, Hannah, Julia Hope, Moriah, and Josiah.
- A host of extended family and dear friends.

"Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her. Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all." — Proverbs 31:28-29

Dorothy Lucky Cooper lived a life that honored her Savior in every season. While she will be deeply missed, her family finds peace in knowing she is fully restored, singing in a heavenly choir, and reunited with her loved ones in her eternal home.

Chance and Hydrick Funeral Directors, 2502 Richmond Hill Road, Augusta, GA 30906.

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Previous Events

Family & Friends

APR 17. 1:00 PM (ET)

Calvary Baptist Church
2510 Richmond Hill Road
Augusta, GA 30906

Funeral Service

APR 17. 2:00 PM.

Calvary Baptist Church

Tribute Wall

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“ I am eternally grateful for all that Dot has done in helping to raise Justin to become the fine young man that he is today. She has always been the rock that held her family together and will be sorely missed. I loved her glass half full approach to life and I will really miss her famous fried fish and cole slaw. Dot will live on in everyone that knew her. Love you Dot, Chris and Sheila Graham



Chris Graham - April 15 at 11:47 AM

JL

“ The delicious fruit cakes Aunt Dot made us every year! So kind and Generous- there will never be another Dot! So glad she is not suffering any more. Prayers and thoughts for the rest of our family who are grieving her loss! She was loved by many!



Jennifer L Long - April 13 at 07:20 PM

RB

My deepest condolences to the family. I had the pleasure of meeting Dot on a few occasions celebrating Justin's birthday. However, I witnessed a woman that had a humbling spirit and always spoke with kindness. In God's Care...



Robin Bankhead - April 17 at 12:01 PM