



Mrs. Dorothy Vinson

February 5, 1958 - November 14, 2020

Dorothy 'Darcy' Marcel Vinson, 62, of Gallatin, Tennessee, passed away on Saturday, November 14, 2020. Born February 5, 1958 in Nashville, she was the daughter of Fred Keyes and the late Anne Dickerson Keyes.

To say that Darcy was a loving wife, mother and grandmother would be an understatement. She was an amazing, selfless example of a Christian. Darcy was the epitome of a Proverbs 31 woman, her family was her life. She was a member of Station Camp Baptist Church where her husband, Cary, is a deacon and she headed the children's ministry and taught Sunday School. Through the church, she was the area coordinator for Operation Christmas Child. Darcy was the best fisherperson in her family who always managed to catch the biggest fish during family fishing outings. She was also a wonderful gardener.

In addition to her mother, she was preceded in death by her brother Fredrick Warren Keyes, Jr.

She is survived by her husband of 43 years, Cary Vinson; sons Warren (Deborah) Vinson and Saul Vinson & his girlfriend Cortney McAdory; daughter Alissa (Bobby) Beasley; father Fred Keyes; grandchildren Cash Andrew Vinson, Macy Beasley, Chloe Vinson, and Molly Beasley; sisters Kathy (Sam Smith) Keyes, Delle Anne (Tommy) Duke, Kim (Kenny) Foglesong, Rosie Smith, Kellye (Marilyn Danforth) Keyes; brother Timothy (Connie) Keys; her cat Princess Mississippi; grand dogs Fred, Sunny, and Brodie; and her grandkitties.

In keeping with Darcy's wishes, her body will be cremated.

The family has asked that donations be made in Darcy's name to Samaritan's Purse at <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/our-ministry/donate-online/>

Arrangements entrusted to Spring Hill Funeral Home & Cemetery, 5110 Gallatin Road, Nashville, TN 37216.

Comments



“ Mark A, Vison lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Vinson



Mark A, Vison - May 11, 2021 at 08:49 AM



“ Being born the fifth of eight children is not an easy way to start your life—there’s lots of competition for attention in a large family—but Darcy found her place as Granddaddy’s (Cloye Dickerson) favorite, his “little brown-eyed girl.” The vivacious toddler with the mischievous grin grew into a beautiful, accomplished woman.

In the adult Darcy, we could see aspects of our parents and grandparents. She had Granny Ruth’s (Ruth Warren Keyes) complexion and artistic talent. She had Mom’s (Anne Dickerson Keyes) quiet presence. She loved to garden like Granddaddy and she loved the lake and fishing like Dad (Fred Keyes). She shared Nannie’s (LaDelle Barbee Dickerson) spirituality and love of children.

She also mastered Nannie’s country cooking. Darcy made great dressing (some call it stuffing) and was famous in our family for her yellow cake with fudge icing. In truth, Darcy’s cake was better than Nannie’s because Darcy had the patience not to hurry the fudge by stirring it, as Nannie did. Darcy valued the traditions of our parents and grandparents and did her part to carry them on in our family.

Darcy had a ready laugh and enjoyed a gentle prank. She and our brother Tim carried on a decades-long mock-serious rivalry over who was the better fisherperson (see obituary!). Over the years, Darcy regularly deployed her artistic talent on signs and cards declaring her fishing prowess and Tim’s lack of it!

Darcy had her faults, like everyone. In her young adulthood, she had a well-deserved reputation for running late, so much so that when family members were caravanning to Florida for a joint vacation, they would tell Darcy the departure time was an hour before they actually planned to leave.

Would that she had been late—decades late—for her last departure.

We miss our brown-eyed girl. We grieve over the empty place she leaves in her family of origin. And we grieve for her husband and children and grandchildren who will miss her loving presence the most.

Kathy, Darcy's oldest sister

Kathy Keyes - November 17, 2020 at 09:21 PM



“ I was in a grow group with Alissa at First Baptist Church Gallatin. Alissa spoke so highly of her Mom and kept us posted so we could better pray for her. She told us how positive and full of life Darcy was!! Her passing saddens me greatly. Her family is in my prayers.?I wish I could have known such a special woman!!

Carol Severnz - November 17, 2020 at 07:50 PM



“ What a precious woman. Darcy always had an infectious smile and I'll never forget the gentle kindness in her eyes each time we spoke. She will definitely be missed.
Jennifer Starkey

Jennifer Starkey - November 17, 2020 at 01:49 PM



“ Robin Haley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Vinson



Robin Haley - November 16, 2020 at 11:03 PM



“ Where are the words fitting for such a beautiful Christian soul? She was so loved and will never be forgotten. She always had the time and energy for children. I am sure that Jesus has prepared a beautiful place for her with a rocking chair to soothe babies. She saw the best in others and always urged "pray". She and Cary are the example of a loving Christian couple. Her passion was the Christmas Shoebox Program. The world needs more Darcys. We will always remember you. Praying for Cary, the children, grandchildren and entire family.
Sincerely, Gail and Morse Conyer

Gail Conyer - November 16, 2020 at 03:54 PM



“ Emily Prewitt Clem lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Vinson



Emily Prewitt Clem - November 16, 2020 at 02:09 PM



“ She was a kind and beautiful person. So talented. I have not seen Darcy and Cary in years, yet I have such sweet memories of them and their love for each other. They are an example of what a good marriage is. My prayers are with the Vinson family. Let be Emily Prewitt Clem

Emily Prewitt Clem - November 16, 2020 at 01:40 PM



“ Darcy was an amazing woman with a heart of gold. Her love of the Lord and of her family would shine bright. She always had a kind word for everyone. She will definitely be missed by so many. Robert and I send our thoughts and prayers to Cary, Alissa, Saul & Warren, her precious grandchildren and her family.

Tammy & Robert Cox - November 16, 2020 at 10:39 AM



“ Heaven has gained an angel to work by our Almighty God's side. What a wonderful Christian woman and such a great servant of all things good in our Saviors eyes. We have been so blessed to have known her for many years. Praying for strength for her sweet family as they are feeling such a loss. Dear Lord be with them all. May you Rest In Peace our sweet friend. James and Robin Haley and Family

Robin Haley - November 16, 2020 at 11:00 PM



“ Darcy was the person that I most wanted to be like. She was kind, gentle, lived her faith, and people could feel love in her presence without her having to say a word. I told her one time that I wanted to be more like her. She was so humble, she could not understand why. I will always think of her when I think of Operation Christmas Child. I will donate every year for her. She sure was proud of her family and loved them more than they could possibly know.

Ramona Curry - November 16, 2020 at 04:37 AM