



Dorothy Elizabeth Thompson-King

July 1, 1920 - May 19, 2019

The Greatest Generation has lost another of its members with the passing of Ms. Dorothy Elizabeth Thompson-King on May 19, 2019. Dorothy was born July 1st, 1920, the eldest of ten children born to Earl "Red" Thompson and Sophia White-Thompson. She was 98 years young and full of life until her body failed to keep pace with her spirit. Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband Lonnie King of Hattiesburg, MS., step-daughter Francis King-Crowe of Temple, GA. She is survived by step-daughter Connie King-Atkinson, Centerville, AL and numerous nieces, nephews, and grandchildren in both Mississippi and Tennessee.

Aunt Dot, as known by her Tennessee family, was a fiercely independent, self-reliant woman whose life experience expanded nearly a century. She was a WW II veteran that served in the medical field from 1944-46. Her military experience, love of family, and caring spirit served her well, and also those around her during these many years. A unique bond existed with Dorothy and her younger twin sisters, Captola Thompson-Gage and Teola Thompson-Patterson that began during the Depression years and was nurtured/expanded until their deaths. Caring and sharing through life's trials and tribulations has been the standard and example set by these women.

There's a military and firefighter's motto that states "first in and last out." and refers to those chosen to enter the fray early and remain until all is secure and the mission is complete. Dorothy was chosen by the Almighty to be that "first in and last out" of the Thompson clan. She often pondered the "why" of being the oldest child remaining and having to witness the passing of family and friends while left to support those dealing with the heartache of loss. As the chosen one, it's often the strength of character, will of spirit, and no quit attitude that sees them through. Dorothy Thompson-King as the matriarch for her respective Mississippi and Tennessee families is now at peace and rest. Mission complete, race run, "Well done, good and faithful servant." Matt 25:23

A graveside service will be delivered by Gage Patterson at 1PM, Friday 24 May at the Kingston Memorial Gardens

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