



Dixie Lou Hodges

October 16, 1936 - November 7, 2024

Dixie Lou (Ball) Hodges 88, died peacefully at the Emogene Dolin Jones Hospice House on November 7, 2024. Her faith in a living, loving Savior was evident and strong. Heaven has gained a beautiful pianist and an even more beautiful alto voice into the heavenly choir.

Dixie was preceded in death by her husband, Jerrel Hodges; her father and mother: Bracie and Josephine Ball; and daughter-in-law, Cindy Hodges.

She was a life-long West Virginian, born on a farm in Milton and a 1954 graduate of Milton High School. After marrying the man of her dreams, she lived the remainder of her life in Putnam County. For more than 50 years you could find her serving Adda Baptist Church with her musical talents, as well as many other churches in the area. Friends always welcomed her delicious pies at any potluck and her grandchildren looked forward to her chocolate cake for every special occasion.

She will be sorely missed by her sons: Jerry Hodges and Michael "Dobie" (Mary-Lynn) Hodges; her grandchildren: Jeremy (Sarah) Hodges, Jarrod (Mindy) Hodges, Isaac Hodges and Ellie (John) Davis. Perhaps her greatest loves were her great-grandchildren: Caleb Hodges, Kylee Hodges, Zach Hodges, Allison Hodges, Brayden Hodges, and Isla Davis. Her sisters: Shirley Davidson (Newport, TN) and Peggy Dailey (Milton, WV); as well as a host of

other family members and friends will miss her dearly.

Friends may visit the family from 1:00pm until 3:00pm Sunday November 10, 2024 at Chapman Funeral Home Hurricane, WV.

Funeral Service for Dixie will be 3:00pm Sunday at Chapman Funeral Home with Pastor Scott Bandy officiating. A private family burial will take place in Lower Hodges Cemetery Winfield, WV.

Mom loved flowers and they are appreciated but donations made in her memory to: Emogene Dolin Jones Hospice House, 3100 Staunton Road Huntington, WV 25702 or Lower Hodges Cemetery, 1074 Sugar Camp Road Winfield, WV 25213 would be cherished.

Anyone wishing to leave an online memory may do so by visiting her tribute page at: www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com.

Chapman Funeral Home 3941 Teays Valley Road Hurricane, WV 25526 is honored to serve the Hodges family again.

Cemetery Details

Lower Hodges Cemetery

Hurricane Creek Road
Hurricane, WV 25526

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 10. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Chapman Funeral Home
3941 Teays Valley Road
Hurricane, WV 25526

Funeral Service

NOV 10. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

KA

“ Jerry & Dobie, I'm so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing, but we know where she is. What a legacy of Mother and servant of God she lived. I will always remember her as a special neighborhood Mother who could do ANYTHING! Garden, cook, repairs, lawn work - she could do it all! And that pretty smile...I was saddened to hear of her passing, but so appreciative that she was a part of my childhood. I didn't find out about her passing until yesterday or we would have traveled in for her service. Love to you both and your families. Come see us. Kathy & Bill Ashworth

Katherine Ashworth - November 11, 2024 at 08:45 AM

JL

“ Dobie, I am so sorry for your loss. Your mom was a wonderful lady, and a great witness for her Lord. I did not know when the service was or I would have been there. God bless the family Love you guys, Jerry Losh

Jerry Losh - November 10, 2024 at 02:26 PM

JG

“ Jerry, the thing I remember when I met your mom at Twin City Bible Church was her smile. It was captivating. Heartfelt condolences to all the family.

Jim Carrier, TCBC Mens Group - November 10, 2024 at 08:59 AM

“Dixie, Jerrel, Jerry, and Dobie (Michael) were our neighbors on Chicken Farm in Hurricane. Growing up was very different then. Neighbors were a part of each other's lives. We kids played together and were free to visit all over the neighborhood pretty much all the time. The unspoken rules were that you don't visit at the neighbor's if they have "company" and don't interrupt the families at dinner time. This was the special time when all the family gathered together around the table, and yes; they shared a meal made with love, but more importantly, they shared time with one another. It's a lost tradition, and we now know how important it actually was. Our neighborhood really was one big happy family. All the parents watched over each other's children and took responsibility for whoever's kids were "on their property" at any given time. I remember time after time playing at the Hodges' home. We would ride bikes, play army, tag, red rover, whatever. We had a ball! There were no video games to keep us inside, even in the winter. Our moms would basically order us outside to play until lunch. We used our imaginations and enjoyed each other's company. Sure, there were disagreements; but at the end of the day, we all went to our respective homes knowing that tomorrow we would all wake up as family again. I truly miss those days.

Dixie was a Christian pillar in our neighborhood. We all knew where she stood in her faith, and she truly loved the Lord. It was obvious. She walked it every single day. She was a daily witness to her love and devotion to God. I used to sneak over and listen outside the open window (another thing that doesn't happen much anymore - opening our windows, not me sneaking up on my neighbors), but I would hear Dixie playing the piano and she and Dobie would be practicing song after song for church. One of my favorites that they practiced often was "Do Lord". "Do Lord, oh do Lord, oh do remember me"... That song and the witness of our neighborhood Christians planted a seed in me that God watered and nurtured until I gave my heart to Him in 1980. There was no way for Dixie, Dobie, Jerry, Jerrel, and our other Christian neighbors to know just how much their faith influenced me. They just lived their lives as faithful

servants, and I noticed.

I truly loved our neighborhood. Those momma's were always there for us kids. Mom and Dad could be arguing next door, and a momma made sure we kids were safe and cared for. When one of us got hurt, a momma came quickly with bandaids and a hug. When any of us was bullied, it didn't go on very long. One of our mommas would just take care of it.

Dixie was a little fireball, for sure. But, she was mostly a great example of faith, forgiveness, and resilience. I have long missed our family neighborhood, they just don't exist anymore...not like that anyway.

I know the angels are in heaven singing with Dixie as she is ushered into the very presence of God.

"Do Lord, oh do Lord, oh do remember me"... I pray I can be half the witness of God that Dixie was, consistently, her whole life. She leaves us far richer having known her.

Dobie, Jerry, and the rest of the family: I know you are mourning Dixie's passing; but know that she is in heaven, and you will be reunited with her for all of eternity with God. I pray peace and comfort for all of you. I love and miss you with all my heart.

Kim (McCoy) Taylor

Kim (McCoy) Taylor - November 09, 2024 at 06:24 PM

JB

“ Jeff Buczynski planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dixie Lou Hodges.

Jeff Buczynski - November 09, 2024 at 09:49 AM

JB

“ Jeff Buczynski purchased the Simply Elegant Sp
athiphyllum for the family of Dixie Lou Hodges.



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JW

“ I was blessed the last time I was with her in service to sing her song
“thank you lord for your blessings on me” for her, Cheris her smile,
her friendship, talks of our grand babies and her faith in our Lord
and Savior Jesus Christ

joyce wray - November 08, 2024 at 07:59 PM

DG

“ Dixie will be sorely missed Myself and Sisters Have missed seeing
her in her yard and mowing Also What a jubilant day that will be I
can close my eyes and see her still In living memory from Di,
Carolyn and Debbie Our late sister Patty Jean thought the world too
of Dixie Condolences and prayers

debbie forth Grant - November 08, 2024 at 06:45 PM



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Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dixie Lou Hodges.

November 08, 2024 at 06:39 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dixie Lou Hodges.*



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“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dixie Lou Hodges.*



November 08, 2024 at 06:38 PM



“ *So sorry to learn of Dixie's passing. She was an excellent neighbor. Very patient with all of us neighborhood kids. Prayers for her family. Beverly Hinkley Dickerson.*

Beverly Grace Hinkley Dickerson - November 08, 2024 at 04:16 PM



“ *Janet Leslie, J.F. & Tammy Leslie purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Dixie Lou Hodges.*



Janet Leslie, J.F. & Tammy Leslie - November 08, 2024 at 01:45 PM

JL

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Janet Leslie, J.F. & Tammy Leslie - November 08, 2024 at 01:45 PM