



## Dorothy Ann "Dot" Bell

December 17, 1949 - November 29, 2025

UTICA - Dorothy Ann "Dot" Bell, a cherished mother, grandmother, sister, and friend, passed away peacefully on November 29, 2025.

She was born on December 17, 1949, in Clayton, Alabama, to the late Minnie Sanders and Billie Joe Bell. She also knew the love and guidance of a special stepmother, Versie Lee Bell. Dorothy, affectionately known as "Dot," later moved to Utica, New York, and graduated from Utica Free Academy High School.

Throughout her life, Dot worked diligently in many roles, including Mele's Factory, Kmart, Tehan's, Zogby Polling, and later retired from both General Electric (GE) and the Sitrin Home. No matter the job, her coworkers remembered her as dependable, gentle-spirited, and kind.

Dot embraced life's simple joys with enthusiasm. She loved bowling, visiting casinos, playing Bingo, enjoying scratch-offs, solving crossword puzzles, and taking short trips around New York State. Her calm, mild-mannered, and docile personality made her easy to love and impossible to forget.

Dot is survived by her loving son, Jerome Felton and Nicole; adored daughter, Tanya Felton; affectionate grandchildren, Romeo, Bianca, Noah, Myles, and Danielle; sisters, Linda Sanders Jones, Elaina Bell Arluck, Belinda Bell-

Ferguson, Valeria Bell, Janice Bell, Flossie Bell-Lomax, and Jacque Frazier; and brothers, Samuel Sanders, Billie Bell and Damita, and James “Sonny” Bell. Dot held close to her heart the memory of her sister, Sally Mae Sanders, who preceded. She also leaves many nieces, nephews, and extended relatives who adored her, and she cherished her special friends, Mary Wells and Theresa King.

Dot’s family extends their heartfelt gratitude to her oncologist, Dr. Alicia DeTraglia, and to the nursing and medical staff on the 6th floor of Wynn Hospital in Utica, NY, for their exceptional care and compassion. They also thank The Pines of Utica Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation for the support and kindness shown to Dot during her time there.

Dorothy Ann Bell will be remembered for her gentle spirit, quiet strength, and the warmth she brought to the many lives she touched.

Visitation will be held on Friday, December 5, 2025, from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South Street, corner of Hammond Ave. Dorothy’s Home Going Service and Celebration of Life will commence at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. For those unable to attend, you may be present virtually at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88644469315>. Memorial contributions in Dorothy’s honor may be made to American Cancer Society’s Making Strides Against Breast Cancer of Utica online at [https://secure.acsevents.org/site/SPageServer?pagename=strides\\_donate\\_now&FR\\_ID=110772](https://secure.acsevents.org/site/SPageServer?pagename=strides_donate_now&FR_ID=110772); envelopes will also be available at the funeral home.

This obituary was lovingly written by Dorothy’s family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.  
932 South Street  
corner of Hammond Ave.  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 724-6714  
eannacefh@roadrunner.com

## Home Going Service

DEC 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.  
932 South Street  
corner of Hammond Ave.  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 724-6714  
eannacefh@roadrunner.com

# Tribute Wall



“ To Dot's children and family. Know that you have lost such a sweet angel. Dot was always nice and pleasant to me as a young girl, may going to Ms Tip house visiting her sister Sally. May your family find peace. Thank you Dot. Safety and blessings to you all. My condolences to you.



---

**Cynthia Slade** - January 24 at 11:00 PM

LB

“ Lonnie Brown lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Ann "Dot" Bell



---

**Lonnie Brown** - December 07, 2025 at 04:46 PM

KE

“ My condolences to the family and friends

---

**Kendel** - December 06, 2025 at 10:45 AM

TB

“ Family you have my deepest condolences, God knew better, I wasn't there physically but in spirit. The service was beautiful online. Love you all very dearly. Dot will be missed. Be Encouraged.

*Cousin Tammy De Loach Brown (Houston Tx)*

---

**Tammy De Loach Brown** - December 05, 2025 at 01:59 PM

MW

“ Our sincere condolences to Jerome, Tanya and the extended family of Dorothy. We were so saddened to hear of her passing. We were neighbors for over 50 years. We will miss her dearly. Rest in peace Dot. Mary and Bobby Wells. 🙏😊😞



Mary and Robert Wells - December 04, 2025 at 09:48 PM

FL

“ Remembering the beautiful moments I had with my loving sister. I will always cherish her memory and her infectious smile and laughter. No more pain and suffering. May you rest in peace until we meet again.

Flossie Lomax - December 03, 2025 at 06:02 PM

CW

“ Carlandra Wooding(niece) purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Dorothy Ann "Dot" Bell.



Carlandra Wooding(niece) - December 02, 2025 at 07:20 PM

JB

“ Janice, Flossie, Jackie, Sonny and Billy purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Dorothy Ann "Dot" Bell.



Janice, Flossie, Jackie, Sonny and Billy - December 02, 2025 at 01:01 PM

RP

“ *My condolences to your family.*



Roseann Pearson-Simmons - December 02, 2025 at 09:41 AM

LB

“ *Lonnie Brown lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Ann "Dot" Bell*



Lonnie Brown - December 01, 2025 at 06:46 PM

JO

“ *Joyce120je@gmail.com lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Ann "Dot" Bell*



joyce120je@gmail.com - December 01, 2025 at 03:31 PM

JO

*So sorry for her family's great loss.dhr was a sweet woman*

joyce120je@gmail.com - December 01, 2025 at 03:32 PM

CS

*To Dots family. Congratulations to all. I recall Dot always being kind. As I grow up with Sally. Im so sorry for the loss of another beloved member of your family. Blessings all.*

Cynthia Slade. - December 04, 2025 at 11:02 AM

CS

*Condolence. Sorry for type-o everyone.*

---

**Cynthia Slade.** - December 04, 2025 at 11:03 AM

PP

*Felton's were in Love with Dot  
She was a great person . The Eliouse Wallace and the Felton's had  
great memories . Great mother and friend to all who knew her .*

---

**Priscilla Pearson** - December 05, 2025 at 02:35 PM

DS

*The family have my Condolence  
Sorry for your lost. Dorothy will be missed but never forgotten love you  
Family is in my Prayers love Dorothy Hill*

---

**Dorothy Scott** - December 06, 2025 at 05:42 PM