



## Dorothy Pauline McDonald

July 31, 1919 - August 26, 2017

Dorothy Pauline McDonald, age, 98 of Albia, passed away Saturday, August 26, 2017, at the Monroe County Hospital in Albia.

Dorothy was born on July 31, 1919 to Fred and Muriel (Martin) Anderson in Chariton, Iowa. Dorothy was the youngest of 9 siblings, many of who she cared for later in life. She grew up and graduated from the Chariton High School with the Class of 1937. After high school attended a year of college at Simpson in Indianola. On August 16, 1945 she was united in marriage to Carl McDonald. To this union four children were born, John, Mary Jo, Susan and Tom. Dorothy and Carl shared 20 years of marriage together until his passing on March 16, 1966.

Dorothy worked in the kitchen at the VA hospital in Knoxville during WWII. She then took a job at Goode Seed and Feed where she worked for 20 years. In her younger years she volunteered as a leader of the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Albia since 1951. She enjoyed cooking, especially caramel Chex and bacon and eggs for her grandchildren, playing solitaire, and watching the birds visit the feeders at her house. Her real joy in life was spending time with her family and friends.

Dorothy is survived by her children, John (Nancy) McDonald of Albia, Mary Jo (Scott) Mills of Gainesville, Georgia, Susan (Larry) Denner of Cedar Falls and Tom (Joann) McDonald of Albia; 13 grandchildren; 28 great grandchildren and 4 great-great grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Fred and Muriel; her husband Carl

McDonald; a grandson, Rodney Hope; four brothers, Thomas, Gerald, Glenn and Raymond Anderson and four sisters, Irene Anderson, Agatha Boothe, Nancy Rose, and Lois Ambelang.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, September 1, 2017, at The First Christian Church in Albia, with Pastor Lynda Carlson officiating. Burial will follow the service at Oak View Cemetery in Albia.

Visitation will begin at 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 31, 2017, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Dorothy's family present from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Thursday evening to greet family and friends.

A memorial has been established to the First Christian Church in Albia.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 31. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home  
116 Benton Ave.  
Albia, IA 52531  
(641) 932-3129  
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

## Funeral Service

SEP 1. 10:30 AM (CT)

First Christian Church  
203 Washington Ave East  
Albia, IA 52531

# Tribute Wall



“ Dorothy Pauline McDonald

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ Dorothy Pauline McDonald

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ To all of Dorothy's family...  
I am very sorry for your loss. Over the years I was part of your mom's health care while working for Dr. Orelup and then Dr. Randall. She was always soft spoken and kind to visit with...and obviously very strong to continue raising her kids after the loss of your dad.  
Mary Jo, I am sorry I was not able to attend services and deliver my condolences in person. Hoping you and your siblings are remembering good times to comfort you.

Patty Hannam

Tom and Patty Hannam - September 01, 2017 at 12:00 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dorothy Pauline McDonald.



August 29, 2017 at 11:01 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dorothy Pauline McDonald.*



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August 28, 2017 at 09:12 PM



“ *She was such a sweet lady and will miss my friend that picked on me as much as I picked on her! My condolences to the family!*

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**Debra Jones RN** - August 28, 2017 at 08:09 PM



“ *Dorothy was a wonderful happy woman. I enjoyed seeing her when I was a youngster. We were neighbors and the Woodard kids played with the McDonald kids! Those were many years ago and lots of time has passed. I am thinking of the family at this difficult and sad time. It's not easy to lose a loved one. I know they have wonderful memories of their times with Dorothy and that they will keep her close to their heart. The memories are precious.*



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**Vicki Woodard Luptowski** - August 28, 2017 at 11:15 AM



“ *Mary Jo and family, I'm so very sorry for your loss. Knowing you and the kind of person you are, she must have been a fantastic Mom. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

*College McCombs Thomas*

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**College Thomas** - August 27, 2017 at 08:25 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Dorothy Pauline McDonald.



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August 27, 2017 at 05:05 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy to the McDonald family. Dorothy was a very special lady and was a very good friend and neighbor to the Sullivan family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you!*  
*Marcia Sullivan*



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**Marcia Wasko** - August 27, 2017 at 03:08 PM