



Dorothy L. VanClief

June 16, 2016

Dorothy L. Van Clief, 80, of Leonia, passed away peacefully on June 16th, 2016. Dorothy was born in Columbia, South Carolina and was a graduate of Benedict College in Columbia and spent the majority of her career at Patent Scaffolding and PNC Bank.

She was predeceased by her parents Quay Woodward and Phoebe Merkerson Woodward, and her brother James Woodward. She is survived by her husband of 56 years, John E. Van Clief, Jr., son John E. Van Clief III, his wife Elizabeth Jarrett Van Clief and two deeply beloved grandchildren, John "Jack" E. Van Clief IV and Connor J. Van Clief. Active in the community, Dorothy was loved by neighbors, friends, former co-workers and relatives alike. We'd also like to thank all of the doctors, nurses, and staff for their care and compassion.

Neighbors, relatives and friends can visit on Thursday from 2-4 and 7-9pm at Volk Leber Funeral Home 789 Teaneck Rd., Teaneck.

The funeral service will be on Friday 10am at the funeral home.

Interment to follow at George Washington Memorial Park, Paramus.

Cemetery Details

George Washington Memorial Park

234 Paramus Road
Paramus, NJ 07652

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **23**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Teaneck
789 Teaneck Road
Teaneck, NJ 07666
(201) 836-0202
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Visitation

JUN **23**. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Service

JUN **24**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothy L. VanClief*

October 08, 2023 at 09:59 PM



“ *Dorothy L. VanClief*

October 08, 2023 at 06:27 PM



“ *Dorothy L. VanClief*

August 30, 2022 at 02:48 PM



“ *Condolences to the VanClief family. Our thoughts and prayers go out to your whole family. Psalms 147:3 says God, "heals the broken hearted, and binds up their wounds." May God bring you comfort and peace.*

Williams Family - July 03, 2016 at 12:55 PM



“ *Josiah Thomas, Jr., Lisa Ivrin, Harold Mandelbaum purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Dorothy L. VanClief.*



Josiah Thomas, Jr., Lisa Ivrin, Harold Mandelbaum - June 23, 2016 at 02:15 PM

CR

“ My cousin, Dorothy was a beautiful person inside and out. I remember she gave me a very nice pants suit when I visited her at her home years ago. Whenever I wear the pants suit, I would always get major compliments on how nice the pants suit was. My brother and I enjoyed when her, Big Johnny, and Little Johnny would come out to visit and we all would be hanging out at Big Mary's. Those times was classic, and I will never forget them. My mom said when she was dating my dad he would always talk about his cousin, Dorothy and when they would visit Dorothy and Johnny in Brooklyn how they would have such a good time.

I have nothing but fond memories of my cousin and I will miss her dearly.

Love,

Cassandra Merkerson Rogers

Cassandra Rogers - June 23, 2016 at 12:56 PM

MM

“ Mary A. Merkerson purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Dorothy L. VanClief.



Mary A. Merkerson - June 23, 2016 at 12:05 PM

JK

“ To the whole Van Clief family, especially Dorothy's life long husband, John Van Clief, we send our heartfelt love and sympathy. We wish that we had lived closer to them so that we could have been more of a part of their lives that we hear so many nice things about. We pray the Lord will help you through this most difficult time. Peace be with you!
Love, Robert and Judy Keller.

Judy Keller - June 22, 2016 at 09:18 PM

KJ

“ Always in my thoughts and prayers.

With Love,

Kimberly Jarrett



Kimberly Jarrett - June 22, 2016 at 01:28 PM



“ Bright and Beautiful Spray was purchased for the family of Dorothy L. VanClief.



June 22, 2016 at 08:37 AM

SS

“ Sincerely Don Bell Signs purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Dorothy L. VanClief.



Sincerely Don Bell Signs - June 22, 2016 at 08:02 AM



“ So so sorry for the lost of your Mom Johnny. We all had some real good times growing up and going over to each other houses. Like yesterday. She loved you dearly, you was her heart...I caint say I understand your pain because everyone grieves in their own way. All I can say is that all the wonderful and beautiful memories you have of your Moms from childhood up to now will forever be in your heart and soul. She lives on through you and your 2 boys. May God give you peace and inner strength to deal with your loss and may God over the course of time let your Moms memories be a source of strength and comfort in trouble times. My family prayers are with you cousin. She was a beautiful woman...

Much love

Alonzo C. Merkerson Jr.

AL

Alonzo C. Merkerson Jr. - June 21, 2016 at 07:46 PM

NT

“ Nicole Thomas purchased the Blushing Lilies for the family of Dorothy L. VanClief.



Nicole Thomas - June 21, 2016 at 06:09 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dorothy L. VanClief.*



June 21, 2016 at 04:11 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Dorothy L. VanClief.*



June 21, 2016 at 04:04 PM



“ *May you rest in God's care! Your living has not been in vain! I will miss your phone calls..... they were each like a visit. You always said you were proud of me at the end of each conversation. I'll miss that.....and you always!*

Love Cookie

Audrey Jackson - June 21, 2016 at 01:44 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dorothy L. VanClief.*



June 21, 2016 at 01:40 PM

NT

“ I have such beautiful memories of Dorothy. In my years after college, I spent quite a bit of time with John and his parents. With every visit, I was always laughing or smiling. Dorothy made me feel like a member of the family. She was funny, engaging, personable, and kind. I'll miss her -- and think of her often.

With love,
Nicole Thomas

Nicole Thomas - June 21, 2016 at 12:49 PM

JV

“ In loving memory of my wife, best friend and companion for over 56 years.
Johnny

John VanClief - June 21, 2016 at 11:44 AM



She was such a Beautiful person inside and out R.i.P Dorothy , My Deepest Condolences to the families.

Marcene Sutton - June 23, 2016 at 09:43 AM