



## Dorothy Henderson

September 17, 1940 - January 8, 2020

Dorothy J. Taylor Henderson slept peacefully away on January 8, 2020. She was born September 17, 1940 in San Jacinto County to Joe Milton and Lucretia Taylor. She was the youngest of thirteen children. Dorothy graduated from Sam Houston High School in 1958.

Dorothy was baptized at an early age. Coming from a family of singers, Dorothy was an active member, choir president, and lead singer in the St. Paul UMC choir. She was a faithful member who served in many leadership positions at St. Paul UMC. Some would say her most important position was in the kitchen. Dorothy was known for her cornbread dressing and making sure the pastor had a plate or a pot.

Dorothy retired from the Walker County Jail System after 25 years of dedicated service. There she was affectionately called “Mama Dorothy” by coworkers and inmates. Mama Dorothy was known not only for cooking good food but also for giving advice and helping others. Her impact on those she touched lives was so great that many would reach out to her after release from jail just to let her know that they are doing better.

She was preceded in death by her parents, 5 sisters, 7 brothers, sons Ronald Taylor and Bobby Lathon, Sr.

She leaves to carry on her memory and legacy her husband, Herman Henderson of 47 years (married October 28, 1972), her devoted daughter, Debra Franklin and her two loving sons Milton Franklin, Sr. and Anthony Franklin. Her grandchildren (Wanza, Corey, Bobby Jr., Marcella, Milton Jr.,

and Herman), 7 great grandchildren, and a host of nieces and nephews will forever remember her with love. Her faithful brothers-in-law, Ronald Brantley and Leon Beverly and sisters-in-law Barbara Brantley and Cynthia Beverly will lovingly remember her.

Dorothy was truly a Proverbs 31 virtuous woman. She was faithful, feared God, honored Him in all things, loved people, and prayed for others. Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman that fears the Lord is to be praised Proverbs 31:30.

Condolences to the family may be made at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Martha's Chapel Cemetery

Huntsville, TX

# Previous Events

## Service

JAN 11. 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Paul Methodist Church  
322 Horace Smith Rd.  
Huntsville, TX

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothy Henderson*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Mrs. Dorothy was the best!! She is dear to my heart and always made sure we were fed...well. She will be so missed. Prayers to her family.*

**Candi Sherbenou** - January 10, 2020 at 10:25 PM



“ *M. Hyvl sent a virtual gift in memory of Dorothy Henderson*



**M. Hyvl** - January 09, 2020 at 06:20 PM



“ *Mrs Dorothy worked at the Walker County Jail the same time I did, she was a beautiful special lady, She was loved by so many people and she will be missed, our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time, GOD BLESS 🙏🙏🙏*

**peggy kroesche** - January 09, 2020 at 04:18 PM



“ *Sandra Lillard lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Henderson*



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**Sandra Lillard** - January 09, 2020 at 04:05 PM



*Herman and Debra, I am so sorry. You know I loved Dorothy and thought of her often. She made me laugh. She was one of the good ones.*

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**Sandra Lillard** - January 09, 2020 at 04:08 PM