



## Dorothy Foster Kuykendall

October 9, 1939 - February 25, 2024

Dorothy was born in Delaware County, OK to Jack and Mabel Foster on October 9, 1939. As the daughter of a heavy equipment operator, she spent her childhood moving from town to town, job to job across Oklahoma. In the mid 1950's her father, Jack, became a partner in an ODOT grading contracting company, Frix and Foster Construction Co., and the family settled in Muskogee, OK. Dorothy became a Muskogee Rougher and graduated with the Class of '57. After high school, she briefly attended Oklahoma A&M before marrying her high school sweetheart, Jim Kuykendall, on June 19th, 1959. Jim's career with Fred Jones Ford Remanufacturing led the couple to Jacksonville, FL. The tragic death of the couple's three-year-old daughter, Jamie, brought them back to Oklahoma in 1964. After a lengthy career with Oklahoma's Caterpillar dealer, Albert Equipment Co., Jim founded Equipment World, Inc. in 1983. The business just recently celebrated its 40th Anniversary this past March. In the early years of the business, Dorothy played an integral role, acting as the company's Secretary / Treasurer. She was quick to engage in new hobbies. Bridge, hand crafts such as crochet, knitting, and cross stitch, candy making, and cake decorating were some of many. A frequent participant in groups such as the boys' PTAs and local church groups, Dorothy was a constant contributor to the community. She joined and was a member of Beta Sigma Phi International where she participated actively and gained lifelong friendships. In the 1990s, Dorothy spent considerable time in West Siloam Springs, OK caring for her mother in failing health. After Mabel's

passing in 1997, Jim and Dorothy moved permanently to the family's home in West Siloam Springs where they would spend the remainder of their lives.

After a long battle with a myriad of health issues, Dorothy passed peacefully on Sunday night, February 25th. She is preceded in death by her husband of 61 years, Jim Kuykendall (2020), and her daughter Jamie (1964). She is survived in death by her oldest son, Jack of Las Vegas, NV, her son, Jimmy and girlfriend Marla of Tulsa, OK, three grandsons - her pride and joy - Will, Weston and Jared of Tulsa, brother Bill and wife Leola of Topeka, KS. and many nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews and many, many lifetime friends.

A graveside service will be held on Tuesday, March 5th at 2pm at Memorial Park Cemetery in Oklahoma City at 13313 N. Kelley Ave

To sign the online obituary, please visit: [www.wassonfuneralhome.com](http://www.wassonfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Graveside

MAR 5. 2:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Park Cemetery

13313 N Kelley Ave.

Oklahoma City, OK 73131

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/funeral-homes/oklahoma-city-ok/memorial-park-funeral-home/7378>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of Dorothy Foster Kuykendall.*



March 04, 2024 at 06:02 PM



“ *Scott Looney and family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dorothy Foster Kuykendall.*

**Scott Looney and family.** - March 04, 2024 at 06:02 PM



“ *Kevin and Holly Thibodeaux planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dorothy Foster Kuykendall.*

**Kevin and Holly Thibodeaux** - March 04, 2024 at 02:05 PM



“ *Kevin and Holly Thibodeaux purchased the Healing Tears - All White for the family of Dorothy Foster Kuykendall.*



**Kevin and Holly Thibodeaux** - March 04, 2024 at 02:05 PM

SR

“ I have been doing Dorothy's hair for approximately 5 years.  
We always found something to laugh about.  
I will miss her visits & her charm.

*Sheila Reynolds*

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**sheila Reynolds** - March 03, 2024 at 05:05 PM

BM

“ Bill & Paula McNally planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dorothy Foster Kuykendall.

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**Bill & Paula McNally** - March 02, 2024 at 12:53 PM

BM

“ Bill & Paula McNally purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of Dorothy Foster Kuykendall.



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**Bill & Paula McNally** - March 02, 2024 at 12:53 PM

SF

“ Sigma Chi Foundation purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Basket for the family of Dorothy Foster Kuykendall.



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**Sigma Chi Foundation** - March 02, 2024 at 12:28 PM

LT

“ Larry & Phillis Townes planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dorothy Foster Kuykendall.

Larry & Phillis Townes - March 01, 2024 at 04:29 PM

LT

“ Larry & Phillis Townes purchased the Red & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Dorothy Foster Kuykendall.



Larry & Phillis Townes - March 01, 2024 at 04:29 PM

BF

“ Brent Howard & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dorothy Foster Kuykendall.

Brent Howard & family - March 01, 2024 at 07:56 AM



“ Cherished Memories - All White was purchased for the family of Dorothy Foster Kuykendall.



March 01, 2024 at 07:56 AM

MU

“ Jim, so sorry on the loss of your Mom. Mike Ursillo

Mike Ursillo - February 29, 2024 at 05:26 PM

MM

“ *What a true treasure! Dorothy was such a pleasure to take care, truly one of my favorites. She certainly will be missed!*  
*Myriam Mcvey RN Angels Home Health*

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**Myriam Mcvey** - February 28, 2024 at 05:00 PM

SV

“ *I had the pleasure of seeing both Dot and Jim for many years in my eye care practice and enjoyed each of their visits. Dot was truly a go getter and didn't let the loss of Jim slow her down in living life. They will both continue to be missed. Blessings on their family*

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**Susan A. Vaughan** - February 28, 2024 at 12:23 PM