



Dorothy Gess Jonas

December 18, 1925 - September 9, 2021

Mrs. Dorothy Gess Jonas died on September 9, 2021. Dorothy was born at Roseann, Va. (Buchanan Co.) on December 18, 1925. She was the fourth of four daughters born to John and Virgie McClanahan. Her sisters Elsie, June and Hazel have all predeceased her.

Dorothy's first husband was the Rev Paul W. Gess. Rev. and Mrs. Gess served faithfully and experienced very successful ministries in Jewell Ridge, Va., Grundy, Va., Delray Beach, Fl. and more recently in Bluefield, Va. Rev. Gess died in 1984 and some years Dorothy married Alan Jonas who too has predeceased her.

Mrs. Gess graduated with honors from University of Virginia with a BS in nursing. She served in various hospital settings in Florida and Virginia. Most recently she served as school nurse for Tazewell County, Va public schools. Throughout her life Dorothy used her nursing skills in numerous Christian missions endeavors including Uganda, Israel, China and others.

Mrs. Gess has three sons, Paul Jr. (Charlotte) of Bluefield, John (Brenda) of Blacksburg, Va and David (Rebecca); ten grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

A service of remembrance and celebration of life will be observed at the

Mercer funeral home chapel in Bluefield, W.Va. at 2:00 pm Monday
September 13, 2021. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from
1:00 pm until the service hour.

In lieu of flowers you may contribute to Westminster Presbyterian Church,
Bluefield, W.Va or to your significant charity.

Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family
may do so by visiting www.MercerFuneralHome.com Mercer Funeral Home &
Crematory is serving the family of Mrs. Dorothy Gess Jonas.

Cemetery Details

Grandview Memory Gardens

Bluefield, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 13. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Mercer Funeral Home Chapel
1231 West Cumberland Road
Bluefield, WV 24701

Funeral Service

SEP 13. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothy Gess Jonas*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *Remembering Dot as a fun, smart, and caring lady. We knew each other from Tazewell County Schools and Westminster Presbyterian Church. Sending prayers to her family & friends.*
Charlotte Sacre Worsham

Charlotte Sacre Worsham - September 13, 2021 at 07:36 PM



“ *Especially for Dave, Bill and Cindy Gillespie are thinking of your loss of such a caring and amazing mother.*

Gillespies - September 13, 2021 at 01:20 PM



“ *May peace be with the family. What a great lady! I have wonderful memories of Paul and Dorothy.*

Betty McClanahan

BETTY MCCLANAHAN - September 12, 2021 at 01:30 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Dorothy Gess Jonas.*



September 12, 2021 at 12:06 AM



“ *Bill and Donna Gess purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Dorothy Gess Jonas.* ”



Bill and Donna Gess - September 11, 2021 at 09:35 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dorothy Gess Jonas.* ”



September 11, 2021 at 04:51 PM