



## Thora Elizabeth "Dody" Nichols

June 16, 1927 - October 15, 2024

Thora Elizabeth "Dody" Nichols, age 97, of Bessemer, AL., passed away October 15, 2024. Dody was a loving wife and was married to Walter B. Nichols Jr. for seventy six years, who predeceased her in 2022. She is survived by her sons, Walter B. (Beth) Nichols and Grant E. (Kathy) Nichols, eight grandchildren, and numerous great-grandchildren. Dody was a longtime member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and held many teaching and leadership callings. She started her professional career as a model. She cohosted "Lucky Lady" and "Teentime Dance Party" on television and became a "Frigidaire Queen" and participated in thousands of live commercials. She performed in many other radio and TV commercials for South Central Bell, White Tulip Flour, Jazz Dog Food, Frost Top Root Beer, and many automobile dealerships. Nichols Advertising was opened in 1971 until her retirement in 2001. Dody was on the Board of Directors for the Leukemia Society of America and hosted live telethons for various charities. She was Vice- President of the American Women of Radio and Television and was listed for two years in "The World Who's Who of Women". A funeral service will be held Monday, October 21, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 813 Briarwood Drive, Bessemer, AL., 35022, with burial following at Cedar Hill Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at the church. Bishop Bryan Miller will be officiating the service.



# Cemetery Details

## Cedar Hill Cemetery

650 Circle Heights Cir  
Bessemer, AL 35020

# Previous Events

## Receive Friends

OCT **21**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints  
813 Briarwood Dr  
Bessemer, AL 35022

## Funeral Service

OCT **21**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

AP

“ Amy P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thora Elizabeth "Dody" Nichols.

Amy P. - October 20, 2024 at 05:44 PM

SP

“ Sheila P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thora Elizabeth "Dody" Nichols.

Sheila P. - October 18, 2024 at 10:12 AM

DA

“ Debbie Acker Mitchell and Rusty Acker purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Thora Elizabeth "Dody" Nichols.



Debbie Acker Mitchell and Rusty Acker - October 17, 2024 at 11:02 PM

G.

“ Gwendy and all the Bradley Family . planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thora Elizabeth (Dody) Nichols.

Gwendy and all the Bradley Family . - October 17, 2024 at 07:00 PM

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“ *Gwendy and all the Bradley Family . purchased the Rose Garden Heart for the family of Thora Elizabeth "Dody" Nichols.*



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**Gwendy and all the Bradley Family .** - October 17, 2024 at 07:00 PM

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“ *The Sharon Acker Daniels Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Thora Elizabeth "Dody" Nichols.*



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**The Sharon Acker Daniels Family** - October 17, 2024 at 06:57 PM

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“ *The Lynn and Edwina Bassett Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Thora Elizabeth "Dody" Nichols.*



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**The Lynn and Edwina Bassett Family** - October 17, 2024 at 05:05 PM