



## Dorothy Hersey

September 10, 1968 - May 20, 2025

Dorothy Jane Hersey, age 56, died Tuesday, May 20, 2025. Born September 10, 1968 to Jane (Rhodes) and William J Hersey, Jr., Dorothy spent most of her life in Baltimore. After graduating from the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute in 1986 and from the University of Maryland, College Park in 1991, she worked in multiple roles in the transportation industry as a planner, consultant, and IT specialist, most recently on the Baltimore Circulator transportation system's on-board IT systems. Dorothy was passionate about being a Baltimore native and fiercely proud of her home in the Govans neighborhood of the city. That same love extended to her animals – her cherished Huskies and cats, who were not just pets, but family. Dorothy was an avid pool player, a fan of the Ravens, Orioles, and the one and only Ripheads ice hockey team. Dorothy loved her nieces and nephews. She was always proud of them and excelled in her role of being their Aunt D. She had many friends in her work and personal life. She was cheerful, optimistic and fun to be around. Her presence, her humor, her love and loyalty – these will be missed every day by those who knew and loved her.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents and is survived by her sister Ann, and brothers Bill (Lisa Clark), John (Debbie Smith), and Ted. She also leaves behind her nieces and nephews Elizabeth (Alfred Falzone), Andrew (Kyra Shepherd), Rachel (Johnson Richardson), Rebecca, Marykate, and Daniel. A graveside service will be held on July 10 at 10:30 AM at Parkwood Cemetery with a Celebration of Life from 12-4 at Mother's North. Memorial contributions to the Multiple Sclerosis Society are most welcomed.

# Tribute Wall

AB

“ Where did my sister go ? I still look for her and want to talk to her several times a day. It seems I took for granted that she'd always be there. 56 years of being her big sister was not long enough. Love and miss her so very much.

Ann Brown - April 20 at 09:15 PM

AC

“ Dorothy was my first friend.

As children, our families were close. We shared birthdays, family dinners, and holidays. I remember her showing me how to sip nectar from the honeysuckle over her back fence. That's who Dorothy was: gentle and generous.

Though time and distance pulled us apart, we never lost touch. She remained, always, the same kind soul I met at five - deeply devoted to her family, and unwavering in her friendships.

My deepest sympathy to Bill, John, Ann, and Ted. She was deeply loved and will be deeply missed.

Anna and the Chauvel family.

Anna Chauvel - July 10, 2025 at 06:32 AM

MC

“ Morris Cannon planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dorothy Hersey.

Morris Cannon - July 08, 2025 at 03:04 PM

MC

“ Morris Cannon purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Dorothy Hersey.



Morris Cannon - July 08, 2025 at 03:04 PM

JS

“ Mike shared so many fond memories of Dorothy with me and talked about her lovingly often. She was the little sister he never had and that he chose. I'm grateful he shared those memories with me and blessed to have had Dorothy as my friend. Thank you for sharing her with us. My deepest condolences to the entire family for your loss. I will think about Dorothy often and always with a smile. She is already deeply missed. May the love of your family and friends bring you comfort and strength during this very difficult time.  
With all of my love and deepest sympathy, Jennifer Stainbrook

Jennifer Stainbrook - June 23, 2025 at 07:53 AM

JC

“ While she may not have skated, Dorothy was and always will be part of the Riphead family. Always great to have her around. You will be missed.

John Cuff - June 18, 2025 at 03:26 PM

BC

“ Bob Cardinal planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dorothy Hersey.

Bob Cardinal - June 15, 2025 at 04:14 PM

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BM

“ A friend who always stayed positive despite the circumstances. Dorothy would always bring a smile to my face. A friend who I will miss and already do. My prayers are with family and friends. Bob Miller

Bob Miller - June 13, 2025 at 02:29 PM