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Dorothy J. Riley (nee Tharp), age 85, of North Ridgeville, passed away on Wednesday, February 25, 2026, at the Southwest Residential Hospice in Strongsville. She was born on April 11, 1940, in Akron, and has been a resident of North Ridgeville for the past 63 years, moving from Olmsted Township. Dorothy worked for many years as a bus driver for Lake Ridge Academy before her retirement. In years past she was a league bowler with her husband Bert. She enjoyed crocheting and knitting, but nothing brought Dorothy more joy than spending time with her grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren. She is survived by her daughter Lori (Cliff) Chilcott of Mulberry, FL; sons Randy Riley and Jeff (Novelyn) Riley, both of North Ridgeville; grandchildren Jennifer (Tim) Hunley, Jessica (Marcus Pruitt) Widener, Cassie Riley, Sara (Bryce) Shuman and Kaylie (Jeremy) Arnold; 10 great grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren; many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 52 years, Bert Forest Riley; parents Dorothy B. (née Haines) and William M. Tharp.

Memorial Service Sunday, March 15, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. in the Bogner Family Funeral Home, 36625 Center Ridge Road, North Ridgeville, where family will receive friends from 1:00 p.m. until time of service. Rev. Chuck Behrens will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Shriners Hospitals for Children in Dorothy's memory at <https://www.shrinerschildrens.org/en/ways-to-give>
Inurnment will be in Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery, 10175 Rawiga Road, Rittman, Ohio 44273, on Monday, March 16, 2026 at 10:15 a.m.




Events

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 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM ET

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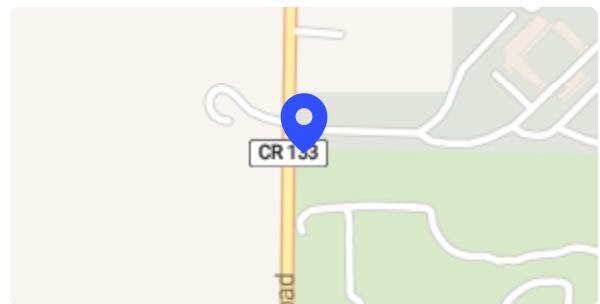
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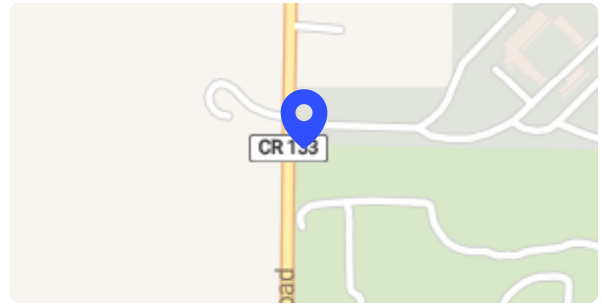
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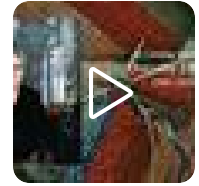
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Bogner Family Funeral Home And Cremationservices shared a **Video**.



March 8 at 1:10 PM



Tina March 9 at 6:23 AM

What a beautiful remembrance of our aunt. So many memories with her. From D.C. to N.Ridgeville and every stop between she always had somebody's kid tagging along. Even when she had her own kids there was always a tag-a-long kid. So many memories. Mine to keep Forever. Thank you God for sharing her with us. She is one of our Forever treasures. I love you nuggie.



Rosalee Tharp Travis March 8 at 9:25 PM

As I watch this. Video of my dear Cousin Dorothy. I set here in Idaho. And go back a few years back. When Dorothy and Susan come to Idaho. And stayed 2 weeks at my house. We had so much fun. We went to different places every day. Laughing. Talking. Oh the fun I also come to Ohio and stayed with Dorothy and Jeff. We went all over there also. I thank God I have these memories. RIP. Dear Dorothy No more suffering. Love to all my family back East. She will sure be missed. God Bless yall. Cousin Rosalee Travis New Plymouth. Idaho



The Graham Family sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Riley family.



March 12 at 12:25 PM



The Graham Family planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Dorothy.



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Love, Ats Family sent a Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet to the Riley family.



March 10 at 10:05 AM



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Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Riley family.



March 9 at 3:24 PM



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Dorothy by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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