



## Dorothy F. Hubbard

June 14, 1919 - September 6, 2009

Dorothy F. (Curry) Hubbard, 90, of Auburn, passed away Sunday, September 6th, 2009 at Aldersgate Village. Dorothy was born June 14th 1919 in Kansas City, Mo., the daughter of Bertha and Lewis A. Curry. She graduated from Topeka High School in 1936. She attended the University of Kansas and graduated from Washburn University in 1941. Dorothy was a member of the Zeta Tau Alpha sorority while attending Washburn. While vacationing in Colorado she met Gerhard C. (Jerry) Hubbard. They were married on November 20th, 1941. While Jerry was serving 4-1/2 years in the South Pacific she aided the war effort by working for Boeing at an aircraft manufacturing plant in Kansas City. In 1945 Dorothy and Jerry bought a farm in Auburn, KS, on which they raised livestock and crops until retirement. Dorothy's proudest achievements were in creating a loving home for Jerry and her children. Dorothy was very active in the Auburn community. Along with other accomplishments, she started the first school lunch program and equipped the kitchen at Auburn Elementary School in the early 1950s. She also helped organize the first PTA at the school as well as the first Girl Scout Troop in Auburn. Dorothy was also the first Police Judge in Auburn and would frequently hold court sessions at her dining room table. In the early 1960s she was hired to teach 1st Grade at Auburn Elementary School. She taught for nearly 20 years before retiring. Dorothy and Jerry were members of St. David's Episcopal Church and later Grace Episcopal Cathedral where she was a member of Daughters of the King. She and Jerry volunteered their time

to deliver altar flowers to members unable to attend services. Dorothy and Jerry enjoyed 67 years of marriage before he passed away February 24th, 2009. Dorothy is survived by her children Rose Smith (Carl), Auburn, KS, and Robin Hubbard (Jeannene), Topeka; grandchildren Gretchen Haugh (David), Olathe KS, Lt. Col. David Smith (Kazumi), Hickam AFB, HI, Camden Hubbard, Topeka, and Sean Hubbard (Jeri), Stillwater, OK., as well as 8 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her sister, Betty Syverson. Betty's husband, Lawrence Syverson, Topeka, survives. Dorothy will lie in state after 3:00 PM, Friday, September 11th, 2009 at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Rd., Topeka, KS, where the family will receive friends from 6-7:30 PM. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM, Saturday, September 12th 2009 at Grace Episcopal Cathedral, 701 SW 8th St., Topeka, KS. Interment will follow in the Reformed Presbyterian Cemetery in Winchester, KS. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Alzheimer's Association or the Auburn Volunteer Fire Department.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothy F. Hubbard*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Dear Robin and family,  
I am sorry to hear of the passing of your parents. I lived across the street from them in Auburn in the 70s. Your mother tutored my son, Scott, when he was having difficulty learning to read. Scott loved your Mom for her kindness and patience. Your Dad seemed like a gruff man to my children, but every Christmas morning your Dad would trudge through the snow and bring my children large candy canes. They thought he might be Santa. These are fond memories I have of your parents. They were kind and gracious people. The world will be a sadder place without them. Our thoughts are with you all.  
Sue Loesack Bolley*

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**Sue Loesack Bolley** - September 10, 2009 at 10:03 PM



“ *My favorite memory of Dorothy's kindness involved learning to ride a unicycle as a teenager. I was riding down Auburn Road and got tired of riding, so I was walking and rolling the unicycle in front of me. She was driving along and stopped to offer me a ride as she assumed "you've broken your bicycle". When I explained it was a one-wheeled bike and I was just walking for a while, she just smiled and went on her way. There is no way she knew who I was from the back, so she was stopping for a complete stranger. Not many people would even bother. She was a gracious and caring person!*

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**Jill Hunt** - September 10, 2009 at 11:44 AM

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“ Aunt Dorothy was without a doubt one of the kindest and most considerate individual's I have ever known. Her sense of duty and honor were incomparable. We will all miss her.

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**Elizabeth Syverson** - September 08, 2009 at 10:33 PM