



Doris G. (Vensel) Graham

August 3, 1939 - September 18, 2022

FITCHBURG/TOWNSEND : Doris Gail (Vensel) Graham, 83, formerly of Fitchburg, passed away Sunday September 18, 2022 at Life Care Center of Leominster.

Doris known to many as “Dodie” was born in Mingo Junction Ohio on August 3, 1939, one of 10 children to Phillip and Emma (Fulton) Vensel. Doris spent her younger years in Ohio and moved to the Townsend area to raise her family.

She had four children; two sons, Robert E. Graham of Shirley and David A. Graham of Miami, Florida and two daughters, Tamera J. Schofield of Lunenburg and Vonda M. Draleau of Louisiana. She was blessed with 11 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren and 1 great, great grandchild, many nieces and nephews all whom will miss her so much. She also leaves behind Tom Schofield of Manchester, NH and more cherished friends. She was predeceased by her former husband Edward Graham of Shirley in 2006.

Doris worked caringly as a nursing assistant in the area as well as a private in home caretaker for many years. She also worked at Sterilite in Townsend and Bee Plastics in Leominster. Doris loved dancing and music but especially that from the 50's and 60's. She enjoyed baking, especially her peanut butter buckeyes and her nut rolls. She loved her family and always looked forward to

family get together whether it was a family cookout, going out to eat or a holiday event. She never missed out on any type of party. In her later years, she enjoyed playing cards-particularly SCAT with her neighbors in her apartment building. She enjoyed watching her “soaps on the tube” while being comforted by any one of her cats over the years. She always found a way to tame the wildest of cats-ones that never liked anyone else.

Doris will be remembered by her family and loved ones as a bright light-always offering a warm hug. A private celebration of Doris’ life will be held by the family. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Pat Brody shelter for cats.

The Anderson Funeral Home, 250 Main Street, Townsend Center is assisting the family with arrangements. For additional information or to leave an online condolence please visit their website at www.andersonfuneral.com