



Dorothy Evelyn 'Dot' Fendley

January 21, 1947 - December 3, 2023

Fendley, Dorothy Evelyn (Dot) - On Sunday, December 3, 2023 Dot Fendley passed away unexpectedly in Abbey J. Lane, Halifax. She was 76 years young and had a life-long curiosity and zest for the world around her. Dot cherished her family and grandchildren and will forever be the beloved mom of Cyndi and Melissa, mom-in-law to Talbot Sweeney and Phil Smith, and big sister to Mike McArter and his wife Susan. She is predeceased by sister Susan.

Nana will be sadly missed by grandchildren Autumn, Amelia, Dillon Sweeney and Quinn Fendley Smith.

In keeping with Dot's wishes, cremation is taking place and memories, stories and tributes may be shared on <https://www.harboursidecremation.ca/>

Family and friends are invited to join us in celebrating her life on DECEMBER 20 at 4:00 p.m. ADT at ST. MARK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, 5522 Russell St, Halifax. Her celebration will also be live-streamed for friends and family afar.

Her remains will be later laid to rest in Brampton Cemetery alongside her predeceased mother and father, Ruth and Bob McArter in Spring 2024.

For anyone wishing to make a donation on Mom's behalf here are a couple

suggestions with the thought of supporting seniors:

Feed Nova Scotia: <https://www.feednovascotia.ca/donate>

We Are Young: <https://www.weareyoung.ca/donate/>

Here's the link: <https://youtube.com/live/gBfOPp3U9c0?feature=share>

You're welcome to share it with those who'll be tuning in. I've scheduled it to start at 3:45

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Tribute Wall

LA

“ Lauren lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Evelyn 'Dot" Fendley



Lauren - January 28, 2025 at 09:17 AM

JD

“ Our sincere condolences to Cyndi, Melissa and their families. I'll always have fond memories of Dot and Gord as well as the girls at mom and dad's house on Christmas Eve. May you rest peacefully Dot 🙏🕯️



Judy Deaken - December 20, 2023 at 03:03 PM

AS

“ nan always called me her beautician, i would go to her apartment with a one of those kits men use to dye their beards , and i would tint her eyebrows with it, it was just a small gesture but it meant the world to her and it really boosted my confidence and gave me the idea to go to cosmetology school! she was one of my biggest supports and it really meant the world to me. I love and miss you so much nanny

amelia sweeney - December 20, 2023 at 01:41 PM



Love you Mooshie. That is beautiful and she'd loved you doing her nails and brows! Best in town. Xo

Cyndi Sweeney - December 20, 2023 at 07:32 PM

LN

“ On behalf of the Halifax Newcomers I would like to express my sympathies to the family of Dot Fendley. Many members remember her with affection attending Book Club and coffee group and also her great sense of style. Our condolences to the children and grandchildren.

Linda Darrow for Halifax Newcomers - December 20, 2023 at 01:09 PM



“ Cyndi Sweeney lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Evelyn 'Dot' Fendley



Cyndi Sweeney - December 20, 2023 at 12:51 PM



“ Posting link to live streaming of Celebration of Life today at 4pm

https://www.youtube.com/live/gBfOPp3U9c0?si=4xpq4G_mcLRQUml9

Cyndi Sweeney - December 20, 2023 at 12:51 PM

DI

“ Nana was so kind and amazing. I remember when I went over for a nana grandson dinner, she made amazing spaghetti. We had a great night together, I love and miss you nana ❤️

Dillon - December 20, 2023 at 11:28 AM

PC

“ Sincere sympathy to Dot’s family. I met Dot through the Halifax Newcomers. Very nice lady. Pat Crompton

Pat Crompton - December 20, 2023 at 10:08 AM



Thank you Pat. She loved the Newcomers!

Cyndi Sweeney - December 20, 2023 at 10:51 AM

MW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Mary williams - December 20, 2023 at 12:32 AM

MW

Myself Dot Helen and Juanita the golden girls. We had so much fun each time I visited Philip Melissa and my darling granddaughter Quinn. Rip Dot I will always hold you in my heart my dear friend 💔❤💙

Mary williams - December 20, 2023 at 12:36 AM



I love this photo Mary. The live stream link is posted below for today. XO

Cyndi Sweeney - December 20, 2023 at 10:49 AM

NF

“ Nancy F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dorothy Evelyn 'Dot' Fendley.

Nancy F. - December 19, 2023 at 08:26 PM

AF

“ Dear Cyndi & Melissa;
It seems our family will never be the same, with the sudden loss of our Auntie Dot.

We will always remember her gentle and friendly demeanour and positive outlook on life.

All of the family festivities, all the fond memories of birthdays and Holiday gatherings; she made everything fun with her pleasant laughter and kindness. She was continuously interested in what us kids were up to!

Charlie and I will treasure recalling the many special family times spent on Murray Street, back when we were young and all lived in Brampton.

Although our family has grown and moved east and west, wonderful memories will forever be cherished.

With deepest condolences on your mother's passing.

Auntie Dot will eternally be in our hearts.

Lots of love,

Amy & Charlie



Amy Fendley - December 19, 2023 at 07:39 PM



Thank you Amy and Charlie. Love you both. Xo

Cyndi Sweeney - December 20, 2023 at 10:49 AM



... and beautifully shared Amy. It is so true, we will be forever changed.

Cyndi Sweeney - December 20, 2023 at 12:48 PM

AS

“ One of my earliest and fondest memories of nan was during a summer visit to Canada, when we went down to the lake to feed the ducks. What started as a peaceful afternoon by the lake turned into a chase for our lives back to the house, as the ducks charged us looking for more food. I’ve never seen her move as fast as she did then! But I could always count on her to have my back, no matter what. She taught me how to climb stairs, how to lick ice cream the “correct” way (her favourite was butterscotch ripple), and how to make the worlds best cucumber salad! I will never forget the sound of her warm laugh and how she never missed an opportunity to boast about the achievements of her grandchildren. You’ll be in my heart forever nanny, I love you❤️



Autumn Sweeney - December 19, 2023 at 03:47 PM



Beautiful Autumn. Xoxo

Cyndi Sweeney - December 20, 2023 at 10:48 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dorothy Evelyn 'Dot' Fendley.*



December 19, 2023 at 10:56 AM

TF

“ *The Dyer Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dorothy Evelyn 'Dot' Fendley.*

The Dyer Family - December 19, 2023 at 10:56 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Dorothy Evelyn 'Dot' Fendley.*



December 19, 2023 at 06:22 AM

CF

“ *I will always remember my Auntie Dot's remarkable sense of style and her love for her family. Auntie Dot's creativity in the world of interior design was a true reflection of her vibrant spirit and her dedication to making everything around her, absolutely beautiful. When I was a teenager ~ fascinated with design, she was there for me. We collaborated our design forces with her exquisite vision and our shared love for antiques. May her legacy of love and elegance continue to inspire us all. Rest in peace Auntie Dot.*



Charlie Fendley - December 18, 2023 at 09:07 PM



“ I have so many fond memories of Dot having known her all my life. Growing up across the street is how the lifelong friendship between Cyndi and I started. Dot was always so interested in people and their stories. She always had a natural sophistication and had an incredible style both with decor and the clothing she wore. We shared many glasses of wine over the years, had many laughs (and cries). She had the best laugh and was never quick to judge. I will miss her facebook updates, her chats over email and visits whenever I was able to get out to Halifax. I will cherish the memories and send my heartfelt condolences to Cyndi, Miss, and all of the family. Rest in Style Dot! xoxoxoxo love Sarah

Sarah Cotton - December 18, 2023 at 02:31 PM



“ Here is the link to join Mom's Celebration of Life on Wednesday, December 20th, 2023. The stream will begin at 3:45 p.m. and the official service will begin at 4:00 p.m.
I will share the Order of Service soon. Thank you, Cyndi

<https://youtube.com/live/gBfOPp3U9c0?feature=share>

Cyndi Sweeney - December 18, 2023 at 01:47 PM

CY

“ I’ve been wanting to share memories here all week. But it’s been so hard.

Thank everyone for sharing pieces of your life and memories with my mom.

I will write more over the next few days leading up to her celebration of life, but thought in the meantime, here are a couple of fun Picts of mom over the years. Xoxo love you mom.



Cyndi - December 16, 2023 at 04:35 PM

DB

As a member of the Halifax Newcomers Group I’ve inky known your mom a few years so seeing these beautiful pictures gives me a glimpse into her beautiful life. Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. Your mom was a beautiful lady inside and out. Debbie Brown.

Debbie Brown - December 17, 2023 at 02:50 PM

AO

“ Cyn, Talbot, Autumn, Amelia & Dillon and of course Melissa and family. Thinking of you all as you say your last goodbyes to Dorothy. We have so many fond memories of her many, many visits here to Dublin. She was always such a warm and kind person to us and our kids too, such a stylish granny with a twinkle in her eye! She lives on in each of you. Sending love and hugs from all the O’Driscoll family- Ali, Killian, Caoimhe, Seán, Danny and Conal. Xxx

Ali Dillon O’Driscoll - December 15, 2023 at 11:41 AM

IB

“ Dear Cyndi, Melissa and family, Dot took me into her house and treated me like family. I was this total stranger, a guy you had met in Spain as 17 year olds, was now in Canada travelling. She gave me jobs that probably didn't need doing, just to help me make some money. I decorated the shop and wallpapered the bathroom, working at night and renting movies from the Brampton blockbuster to watch in my down time. I'd never wallpapered before so in the bathroom, I had to colour the gaps in with a sharpie! To this day I make a toasted bacon, tomato and mayonnaise toastie that Dot introduced me to. Thank Dot! Love to you all. X

Ian Blandford - December 14, 2023 at 04:45 AM

JB

“*Cyndi and Melissa - My hear goes out to both of you. There are no words to express this loss to you. The memories and traditions your Mum created will be forever with you.*

I have lovely happy memories of the many times Dot and I spent together in Muskoka, Brampton or Halifax. I remember when we were out for dinner and she told me she was thinking of moving to Halifax. We vowed to keep in touch and visit back and forth. Dot would stay with Bill and me when in Brampton. Dot and I would travel around for her to get ideas and products to support her interior decorating business and end the day with a home-cooked meal, a glass of wine and conversation. Dot loved to shop and knew where the good shops were in Halifax. When in Nova Scotia, we had day trips around the province and on one visit, Dot, Bill and I drove to PEI where we rented a cabin as home base. Cyndi and Talbot, Melissa and Phil were always welcoming when we visited. Dot was close to her girls and all of us shared good time together. Dot and I were both raised in and attended Presbyterian Churches - Dot in Brampton and I in Toronto and before her move to Halifax, we sat together on Sunday mornings upstairs at St. Andrew's in Brampton. We both love the old hymns we grew up with and Dot spoke often of her faith. My last trip to Halifax was in 2018 with some of my family and Dot joined us to see the Royal Nova Scotia International Tatoo. She loved the Tatoo. During and since the pandemic, our visits stopped and we visited by phone.. Dot had a sense of humour and wasn't shy at laughing at herself. She spoke of her pride in her grandchildren. And, she always wanted to know what was happening in Brampton. Dot, I'm going to miss you, our visits, our conversations. Thank you dear friend for your friendship and your love. Rest in Peace.

Jessie Bannerman - December 13, 2023 at 11:35 AM

NM

“ Sad to hear of Dot's passing. She said she had fallen and was waiting to go to rehab so I was not expecting her to pass. Sending my love and condolences to the family. My memories are from childhood. The McArter's gathered at Aunt Dot and Uncle Herbie's home in Brampton. To me as a small child, it was the event of the year. Dot was 6 years my senior. She was always a kind and caring cousin.

Nora kyle mcarter - December 12, 2023 at 11:47 PM

CC

“ Dear Cyndi and Melissa, we will miss your lovely Mom so much. Even though we lived far apart we always kept in touch and enjoyed a very special friendship. We met Dot over 50 years ago when we moved to our 1st house on Madoc Drive in Brampton. Dot and Gord had recently moved across the street and we all became fast friends sharing lots of laughs and a few drinks on our front steps with Roy and Thelma and Billy and Alice. Our baby daughters, Cyndi and Sarah loved all the fun and were inseparable. Cyndi was like a 2nd daughter for us. Dot was the beautiful, elegant friend who hosted the best dinner parties and just seemed to know everyone. A few years ago we visited Dot in Halifax and spent a wonderful few days together. Always a great cook we all loved to share our recipes and she was always excited to tell us how much she enjoyed making one of Mick's creations. During the Pandemic, Dot looked forward to the Tuesday night music videos that Mick and I put together with help from friends around the world. This really helped us maintain our special friendship. We will treasure all the memories and will always remember your lovely Mom and our friend, Dot . Much love to you and all your family.
Carol and Mick xxxxxx

Carol and Mick Cotton - December 12, 2023 at 07:26 PM

KD

“ I was socked to read of Dottie's death. While many miles separated us, we stayed friends and in touch through Facebook. Not only was Dottie a beautiful soul inside and out, she was known as one of the LADIES of Brampton. She will be missed.

Most sincerely,
Kathy Dorsey

Kathy Dorsey - December 12, 2023 at 06:54 PM

KB

“ I truly enjoyed our shopping trips. Dot and I had some great laughs. She was a pleasure to work with. Bless you. Karen Barr Closing The Gap

Karen Barr - December 12, 2023 at 06:21 PM



“ Fraser shares:” I remember Christmas gatherings when the entire McArter clan would get together. First, at our Grandma McArter’s place and then later at Uncle Herbie’s home. All of us cousins would watch the cook Reba get progressively inebriated as she cooked Christmas dinner. I remember the glances and asides we cousins would share as the night went on. The kids’ table was always a lot of fun! And Dot was always so nice. Many years later in 2006, Teri, Kaeli and I reconnected with Dot in Ireland when we visited Cyndi and Talbot and Autumn, Amelia, and Dillon. Dot was as warm and welcoming as Cyndi and Talbot were in their lovely Dalkey home. We loved catching up on family memories and shared so many good laughs and lots of cheer. Teri, Kaeli and I will remember Dot fondly and our hearts go out to Cyndi, Talbot, Melissa and the whole family with the sad news of Dot’s passing.” Sending much love, Fraser, Teri and Kaeli ❤️

Teri McArter - December 12, 2023 at 12:42 PM

CM

“ Our deepest condolences to Cyndi and Melissa and the Family. I remember Dotty from Brampton as a classy and talented lady, always kind and welcoming. I remember the wonderful Family Gatherings at Sue and Michael’s with Dotty, Gord, Cyndi, Melissa, and Ruth and Bob. Our prayers are with you all now and in the days ahead. Rest in Peace Dotty 🙏😊



Cindy McGarry - December 12, 2023 at 11:23 AM

JM

“ Cyndi and Melissa, I am so sorry for the loss of your Mom. I remember how engaging she was and how happy she seemed to be around people, especially the kids. I hope your many wonderful memories will help you and your families during this difficult time.

Jennifer Mills - December 12, 2023 at 06:59 AM



Thank you Jennifer, we do have so many wonderful memories. Thanks for your wishes.

Cyndi Sweeney - December 12, 2023 at 10:54 AM

SM

“*Dot, we are going to miss you. I remember lots of dinners with you Gord and the girls, you always made me feel so included in the McArter family. I loved you for that, you were such a wonderful hostess a beautiful decorator and incredible cook. You always showed up for Mike and I and our two kids. I envied the special bond you had with your daughters Cindy and Melissa, We have wonderful memories of being all together at the cottage playing monopoly and drinking G & T until the wee hours. I am quite a pragmatic person and I suppose we need to remember that there will be an end for all of us. We will meet again I hope on the other side. Michael and I love you dearly rest in peace.*”

Susan McArter - December 11, 2023 at 11:26 PM



Thank you Aunt Sue and Uncle Mike. xo

Cyndi Sweeney - December 18, 2023 at 01:39 PM

PA

“*Sending love to Cyndi and Melissa (and your families) during this challenging time xxx I have many fond memories of sitting in Dot's kitchen in the Brampton home, having a chat, a glass of red, and a laugh with all of you. I hope you find comfort and recall all the best memories while you grieve together xxx*”

Paula - December 10, 2023 at 05:09 PM



Hi Paula. Thank you so much. Hugs.

Cyndi Sweeney - December 18, 2023 at 01:44 PM

SJ

“ I also grew up at St. Andrew’s and our families used to sit in the same pew. It is sad to hear of her passing. Thoughts & prayers to your families.

Susan Jess

Susan Jess - December 10, 2023 at 03:22 PM



Thank you Susan, I've been thinking of our church days and our special pew. The church where her celebration of life will take place next has the same woody smell and deep burgundy carpet as St. Andrews. A livestream link will be shared. Cyndi

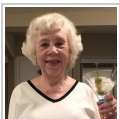
Cyndi Sweeney - December 12, 2023 at 10:57 AM

MM

“ I will always remember Dot for her optimism, her smiles, her caring disposition, her creativeness and more. She loved Cyndi and Melissa so. Dot was a proud Mom. I am glad Dot was a part of my life in Brampton.

Mae MacDonald

Mae MacDonald - December 10, 2023 at 09:43 AM



The members of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Brampton, send sincere sympathy to Cindi and Melissa and their families. We have fond memories of Dot, and she kept in touch with us through the COVID pandemic.

Felicity Alexander - December 16, 2023 at 08:39 AM



Thank you Mae MacDonald and Felicity Alexander. I remember those mornings full of song in the family pew. She loved watching the ceremonies virtually. Cyndi

Cyndi Sweeney - December 18, 2023 at 01:41 PM



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Cyndi Sweeney - December 08, 2023 at 03:47 PM



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Cyndi Sweeney - December 08, 2023 at 03:45 PM



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Harbourside Regional Crematorium - December 08, 2023 at 01:45 PM

MT

*Cyndi and Melissa and family
Dot was amazing mom and nana and friend we are going to miss her
and her caring and loving ways .she will live on in her amazing
daughters .love you all Margy Tuckwood*

margy tuckwood - December 12, 2023 at 01:08 PM