



## Dorothy Fitts

November 30, 1931 - October 29, 2010

Mrs. Dorothy Fitts, Russellville, Alabama, after a long and courageous battle with emphysema passed away surrounded by the people who loved her most on Friday, October 29, 2010. She was 78.

Mrs. Fitts (Dot) had a wonderful life filled with travel and adventure. Among her many accomplishments as an entrepreneur she owned her own business in Russellville. In her youth she was a Sunday school teacher living her life in the Christian faith. Having been taught to fly by her husband, Bob Fitts, a WWII Marine Air Corps Veteran, she became a superior pilot earning her commercial license making her one of the first women in Alabama to achieve that status. She could often be found on weekends offering free airplane rides to Boy Scouts or anyone just curious about aviation. Perhaps her greatest accomplishment as a pilot was successfully competing in petticoat races earning many trophies. This was a sponsored group of women who raced cross-country.

After retirement Bob and Dot split their time between a home in Russellville and traveling the U.S., Mexico, and Canada. These travels led to many lifelong friendships from people all over the United States and as far away as Australia.

The family would like to thank Dr. Lynn Ridgeway, the entire staff of Southern Manor Assisted Living, as well as the Terrace Manor Rehab and Nursing Home Staff. The family would also like to extend a special thanks to Jennifer Baker of Hospice of North Alabama. Jennifer is not only an incredible professional, but served as an angel of mercy in a critical time of need. Thank-you!

Mrs. Fitts is survived by daughter, Jan Robinson, Huntsville, Ala., two grandsons, Tony Robinson and Bob Fitts, one granddaughter, Susan Gann. She also has four great-grandchildren.

Graveside service will be Monday, Nov. 1, 2010, 11:30 a.m. at Franklin Memory Gardens with Kim Pounders officiating. Burial will follow immediately after the service. Visitation prior to the service from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at Pinkard Funeral Home, Russellville.

Pinkard Funeral Home will be directing.

# Previous Events

## Service

NOV 1. 11:30 AM (CT)

Graveside Services at Frankin Memory Gardens  
2710 Waterloo Road  
Russellville, AL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jan, I am sorry to read about your mom passing. I know what it is like to give up a mom. My heart and prayers are with you and the whole family##imported-begin##Nancy Welch-James##imported-end##*

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