



## Dorothy Mae (Gorham) Morton

October 31, 1922 - April 26, 2015

Dorothy Mae (Gorham) Morton, 92, of Mentor, died April 26, 2015 at the David Simpson Hospice Center in Cleveland, Ohio. She was born Oct. 31, 1922, the fourth of six sisters, to the late Aaron and Laura (Randall) Gorham. She graduated from Springfield High School in January, 1941. Dorothy moved back to Cleveland for a job at the Federal Reserve Bank where she met, and then married, Edward Morton.

With Ed in the Army then, her son Dennis was born at Camp Atterbury, Indiana. Back in Cleveland after the war, daughters Dianna and Amy were born. The family moved to Euclid in 1959 where she has been a member of East Shore Methodist church for many years. For more than 20 years she worked as the Executive Secretary to the Directors of Euclid General Hospital, retiring in 1984.

Her husband was an artist, and while she was not, she served as the president of the Euclid Art Association for 20 years until she moved to Mentor with her daughter Amy in 2004. There she enjoyed family, the Senior Center, and monthly luncheons with friends.

Almost fiercely independent, and with failing eyesight, she continued to enjoy long conversations with life-long friends and family with whom she maintained close relationships.

She is survived by her son Dennis (Mary) Morton, daughter Amy Morton, sister-in-law Rosamond Morton, son-in-law John Taylor, seven grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, one great-great grandchild. And many nieces and nephews will remember her. She is pre-deceased by her husband Edward; her daughter, Dianna Taylor and sisters Ruth Bair, Ruby Stickland, Julia Repass, Helen Taylor and Alice Welch.

Funeral service will be 10 am Saturday at East Shore United Methodist Church, 23002 Lakeshore Blvd., Euclid, OH 44123.

The family will receive friends 4-8 pm Friday at Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

Interment will be in Mentor Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations would be appreciated to Hospice of the Western Reserve, 17876 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, OH 44110, Euclid Art Association, 21129 North Ave., Euclid, OH 44119 or East Shore Methodist Church, 23002 Lakeshore Blvd., Euclid, OH 44119.

Offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Mentor Cemetery

6881 Hopkins Rd.  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 974-5733

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 1. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center  
8466 Mentor Avenue  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 255-3401  
ajs@brunners.com  
<https://www.brunners.com/>

## Funeral Service

MAY 2. 10:00 AM (ET)

East Shore United Methodist Church  
23002 Lakeshore Blvd  
Euclid, OH 44123

# Tribute Wall

JS

“ *Very sorry to hear of your loss, Dennis. Condolences to you and your family.*

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**Jim Snyder** - May 04, 2015 at 11:38 AM

EB

“ *Amy, I just found out today about your mother, I wish I could have been there today for you, I already had plans for the whole day that I couldn't break. I will send a gift to the hospice of the western reserve in your mothers name. That is where Joe was they are great. Keep your memories of your mother, I still have all my good memories of my mother and she has been gone since 1990. Hope to see you soon.*

*Cookie*

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**Ermina (Cookie) Burk** - May 01, 2015 at 07:38 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dorothy Mae (Gorham) Morton.*



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April 30, 2015 at 09:45 PM

DB

“ She was like a second mom and Amy ,a sister. So graceish always made me feel like I was in a special club where everyone was happy and so loved all the time .It's been an honor and a privilege to know her and her special family. The world lost a diamond.

All My Love

Denise

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denise boyd - April 30, 2015 at 05:58 PM

GT

“ Condolences to you and your family Dennis.

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Grennetta Taylor - April 30, 2015 at 08:55 AM

JB

“ I knew Dorothy while I was a member of Euclid Art Association and she was a great president. My friends and I admired her sense of humor and positive thinking. My sympathy to the family.

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Joan Biller - April 29, 2015 at 09:59 AM

MW

“ Aunt Dorothy was always so caring and sweet to me. When I was first married to her nephew Doug I was struggling to find a place in such a big and close knit family and as an Army wife found it difficult to get to really know everyone. Aunt Dorothy would sit and talk to me about the family and the history. She encouraged me to create art and was one of my biggest cheerleaders as I did the Gorham geneology. She was thrilled as I told I had completed her line back to Adam and Eve! I know she is there with Mom Welch and Aunt Helen organizing the biggest family reunion ever. Such an amazing kind lady I was so lucky to have known her.

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Marilyn Welch - April 28, 2015 at 11:38 PM

SS

“ When Jason and I were married Aunt Dorothy sent us a check which I put on our dresser and when I opened a window it blew into a lit candle, she sent us a replacement check with the funniest letter making jokes about us having too many irons in the "fire" and so on-her sense of humor was great. I also cherish the letter after my last born, Aaron Douglas, was born which bubbled with her excitement for family names being passed on. She was an amazing lady and I will always cherish many fond memories of her. Sarah (Welch) Smith

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Sarah Smith - April 28, 2015 at 07:20 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Dorothy Mae (Gorham) Morton.



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April 28, 2015 at 06:05 PM

JR

“ We were so sorry to hear that Aunt Dorothy had passed away. She was a treasure and a wonderful testament to growing old with grace and dignity. We remember so very fondly the Gorham-Randall family reunions where all six of these wonderful sisters and their families would get together around Labor Day. Now with Dorothy's passing all six of those sisters are having another big reunion up in Heaven!

*The last time we spoke with Aunt Dorothy she was feeling a bit blue because it was a dreary day and with her failing eyesight the day seemed even darker. But by the end of our conversation that "can do" spirit of hers was shining through and she was laughing and telling funny stories about the good-looking young EMS fellow who came to her aid when she had fallen!*

*We'll miss you, Aunt Dorothy. Sending our love to Dennis, Amy and all the family!*

*Jim and Geri Repass*

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**Jim and Geri Repass** - April 28, 2015 at 10:57 AM