

Sister Dorothy Pulkka, OSB
(Dorothy Jane)



1937 – 2026

Born – February 14, 1937
Baptized – April 13, 1958
First Profession – July 11, 1991
Perpetual Profession – July 11, 1994
Entered Eternal Life – May 24, 2026

**Queen of Angels Monastery
Mt. Angel, Oregon**

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Sister Dorothy Pulkka, O.S.B., a long-time member of Queen of Angels Monastery, died in the late morning of May 24, 2026, on the Solemnity of Pentecost, at Mount Angel Towers, Mount Angel, Oregon. She was 89 years old.

Sr. Dorothy, the daughter of Clyde and Violet McKasson, was born in Seattle, Washington, in 1937. Sister Dorothy began adult life as a wife, mother and registered nurse working in labor and delivery. Life offered her a variety of joys and challenges during this phase of her life.

A little more than 25 years passed, Sister Dorothy found herself in a position where life choices needed to be made once more. Her three children were grown, and her marriage had ended. However, God led her to another place and another life. She came to Shalom Prayer Center, met the sisters and soon, with God's grace, became interested in monastic life. In 1988, she entered the Queen of Angels Monastery and on July 11, 1991, made her first profession, followed by her perpetual profession on July 11, 1994.

During her 38 years in monastic life, Sister Dorothy spent most of her energy and ministry walking with those who needed comfort and spiritual guidance. She has been a grief counselor, a spiritual director, a retreat leader, oblate leader and, a "prayerful weaver" - praying for those who would ultimately wear or enjoy her weaving. In 2016, Sister Dorothy began yet another ministry when she was appointed the assistant prioress for the sisters for a short time.

On Aug. 7, 2016, Sister Dorothy renewed her monastic promises and celebrated her 25th Jubilee with her sisters, family and friends, especially her son, David.

She is survived by her son, David. Her daughter, Beth, preceded her in death and is buried in the Monastery cemetery.

A vigil with sharing of memories was celebrated in the Benedictine Sisters chapel at Orchard House, 4 p.m., on June 1, 2026. Receiving and viewing of Sister Dorothy's body was at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 2 at the Queen of Angels Chapel.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:30 a.m., followed by her burial in the Monastery cemetery. A luncheon followed in the Monastery dining room.

Memorial gifts to the Benedictine Sisters Retirement Fund are graciously accepted in memory of Sister Dorothy. Gifts can be sent to Benedictine Sisters, 840 S. Main St., Mount Angel, OR 97362.

May Sister Dorothy rest in peace.