



Doris Elizabeth Knoll

May 21, 1930 - May 8, 2026

Doris Elizabeth Knoll, 95, of Merriam, passed away peacefully on May 8, 2026, at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was born on May 21, 1930, in Alabama, the daughter of Omar and Vera Huskey.

Doris devoted her life to caring for others, especially her family whom she loved dearly. As a dedicated single mother of four children, she worked hard to provide for her family, spending 37 years as a machine operator for the American Beauty Macaroni Company. Through her strength, determination, and unwavering work ethic, she built a loving home for her children before eventually retiring after many years of faithful service. She found great joy in hosting large family dinners and gatherings, always making sure everyone else was fed and cared for before thinking of herself. She enjoyed attending the fair to listen to country music concerts, especially performances by her favorite artist, Alan Jackson. Doris also loved sewing, gardening, and nurturing plants, taking pride in helping things grow and creating things with her hands. Above all else, she treasured the time spent with her family and the memories they created together.

She is preceded in death by two children, Charlotte Maher and Larry Bray; siblings Fred, Omar, Maggie, Sara, Hilda, and Audi; and her parents. She is survived by two children, Vanessa Christian and Edwina Knoll; grandchildren Jason, Dawn, Kara, Larry Jr., Justin, Jason, Benjamin, Brandon, and Lila; 23 great grandchildren; and two great great grandchildren.

A visitation will be held from 1:00-2:00 PM with Funeral Services beginning at

2:00 PM Thursday May 21, 2026 at Maple Hill Funeral Home with burial to follow at Maple Hill Cemetery.

Upcoming Events

Visitation

MAY **21**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

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