



Dorothy H. Jestis

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Dorothy H. Jestis Dottie went to the gates of heaven on April 2, 2008. She was greeted by her husband Jim, sisters, Leona, Lucille, and Viola, her parents, George and Anna Bruder and many close friends.

Dorothy was born to George and Anna Blank Bruder on April 8. She was a lifetime member of St. James Catholic Church and graduate of Decatur High.

She met James B. Jestis Jim the love of her life through mutual passion for roller skating. Together they became commissioned roller dance judges. They were married November 21, 1959 and to this union two children, Alice Ann and Stephen Tony were born. Jim preceded her in death on August 12, 2002.

Jim and Dottie were very active in the Knights of Columbus. They were past commodores of the Dolphin Boat Club. Boating was a passion they enjoyed. Dottie frequently talked about those late night cruises on Lake Decatur. She was a Den Mother and a troop committee member for her son's Boy Scout Troop. She received her wood badge beads. She was a Girl Scout Leader for her daughter for many years and was a lifetime member of Shemamo Girl Scouts. She was a member of Experimental Air Craft Association.

She volunteered for the American Red Cross "Learn to Swim" program. She was past president of Decatur Junior Women's Club; as well as the St. Elizabeth Altar Society. She was very active in her church as a Eucharistic Minister and greeter. She also belonged to the Decatur Deanery, and Knights of Columbus Women's Auxiliary. Dottie will always be remembered as the "Pizza Lady" at Cub Foods, where she worked for many years as a demo hostess. In her younger years Dottie played semi-pro softball and skated at Regal Roller Rink.

Dottie is survived by her son, Stephen A. Tony Jestis and wife Connie of Festus, MO; daughter, Alice Ann and husband Rick Younker of Decatur; sisters: Mary Welsh, Georgianna Scammahorn, and brother, George and wife Betty Ann Bruder all of



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Decatur, grandchildren: Jacanthy Heather Kim, Jilashli Kim and Trenton Jestis, step-grandchildren; Shelby Younker, Tyler, Allison, and Audrey Self; great grandson, Jakob Kim; special "sister", Sylvia Brinkoetter and "special son" Alan Brinkoetter. She was preceded by her parents, husband and three sisters.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10:00 am Saturday April 5, 2008 in St. James Catholic Church with Rev. Jeff Grant as Celebrant. Visitation will be 5:00 ' 7:00 pm Friday in Moran & Goebel Funeral Home with a Vigil Prayer Service at 4:30 pm. Burial will be in Macon County Memorial Park. Memorial gifts are suggested to the family.

Special thanks to the staff of Lincoln Manor, Dr. G. Patel, Dr. K. Smith and the nursing staff on 4100 at DMH.

We love you mom, grandma, and great grandma. You will forever be in our hearts. If tears could build a stairway and memories a lane we'd walk up to heaven and be with you again.

The family of Dorothy H. Jestis Dottie is being served by Moran & Goebel Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2801 N. Monroe Street, Decatur.



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JK

Jk lit a candle in honor of Dorothy.



August 26 at 8:50 AM

CH

Charlotte Hunsaker posted:

We would like to extend our sympathy in the lost of your mother. We were able to meet you at my brother John's visitation a few years ago and you were able to bring your mom. I remember when your parents got married and what a special day that was. I remember all the family reunions we had at Nelson Park every summer when I was young. It was nice for everyone to be together. This was a time when all the cousins were able to be together at one time of course now there are many more cousins. John & Charlotte Justice Hunsaker Clearwater, FL US

April 11 at 7:00 PM

VH

Vickie Hunsaker posted:

Alice, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I would like to get in touch with the family members I am seeing. Could you please contact me at tigger@ij.net and tell me your relationship on the Justice/Jestis/Jestes family? I have been working on the family tree and my sister, Kim and I had the opportunity to go the NC reunion 2 years ago and meet family members that we had never met. J.B. and Dottie would be 1st cousins once removed to me according to my family tree. Clearwater, FL US

April 11 at 7:00 PM

DJ

Dick Jestis posted:

Dear Alicel'm so sorry to hear about your loss. I'll always remember Aunt Dottie and Uncle Jim taking me for breakfast after church. Aunt Dottie was my favorite Aunt, always sweet and kind to me. I have a lot of fond memories of Aunt Dottie and Uncle Jim. You and your family are in our prayers. Your Cousin Dick Jestis Radcliff, KY US

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PJ

Phyllis Jennings posted:

Even though we never met, your loss is felt by all the Jestis distant cousins here in N C. The Gragg Jestis line in IL. was lost to us for many years. I only wish we had known you and your family. Dottie, rest in peace. May wonderful memories of you sustain your family in this sad time. , NC US

April 5 at 7:00 PM

TJ

Terri Caldwell Justice posted:

Alice, I am so sorry to hear about your mother...My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Clute, TX US

April 5 at 7:00 PM

NF

Norma Phegley Campbell And Betty Hill And Family posted:

Alice,Betty and I were sorry to hear about Aunt Dottie. We will always remember you and Tony and Aunt Dottie and Uncle J.B. stopping by many Christmas Eves after church programs to see us and our mom and dad Aunt Grace and Uncle Charlie. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Cousins Norma and Betty Decatur, IL US

April 4 at 7:00 PM

BH

Brian Harkleroad posted:

Hi Alice And StephenSo sorry to hear about your Mother Dottie Passing away.I had lost track of your family quite some time ago.I belive the last time I saw them was back in the late 1950's.I had not seen them since the Justis, Jestice Picknicks in Decaturin the 1950's. My mother was Ruth Justice, Robert Olin Jestice Sister.We used to visit Bob and Cecila when we came to ILL.I didn't know that your dad had passed away either.We live in TN close to where Cecila was raised and Near where James Burton Justice and Mary Barlow Justice were married.I have been getting together some old photos to put on a picture CD if your interested.There is a Justice / Jestics reunion held in North carolina ever year usually in June if your interested.Your Cousin In TNBrian Harkleroad Kingsport, TN US

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BJ

Bryan Jestis posted:

You have my heartfelt condolences on your loss. I am one of Robert O. Jestis, III's out-of-wedlock unwanted offspring. Brian Harkleroad told me of her passing. I never knew her but, reading her obituary she seems like she was a vibrant and lively woman who will surely be greatly missed. I wish you peace in the knowledge that she is most certainly looking after you all, now.
Lake Worth, FL US

April 4 at 7:00 PM

JB

Judith Wade-Bricker posted:

Alice, So sorry about your mother. But she's where she wants to be with her husband. Your half sister Judy Mt. Zion, IL US

April 3 at 7:00 PM

SE

Sandy Earl posted:

Alice & Tony, Sorry to hear about the loss of your mother... Aunt Dottie & Uncle Jim hold special memories for me. I remember going with them to their skating competitions when I was a little girl. They were just wonderful to watch as they "danced" on their skates. My folks Bob & Loretta Jestis often went to see them perform at the Regal Roller Rink. May all the good memories stay with you until you meet them again. Cousin, Sandy Earl, IN US

April 3 at 7:00 PM

JB

John/Darlene O'brien posted:

You have our deepest sympathy. We have many wonderful memories of Dottie. We will keep the family in our thoughts and prayers. Pharr, TX US

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MN

Maggie Navadomskis posted:

I am so sorry for your loss, know that you and your family are in my prayers. Maggie Normal, IL US

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LJ

Lesa Jones posted:

Alice, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May the Lord comfort you and your family during this time of loss God Bless Lesa Jones Bloomington, IL US

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LM

Linda Mahon posted:

I met your mother back in 1965 when I started to work. I would see her once a year and she always had a smile and funny little stories to tell. She will be greatly missed by everyone who new her. May you always keep the good times in your hearts and she will be with you always. Decatur, IL US

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CA

Cathy Arteman posted:

Alice, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family! Cathy Arteman Bloomington, IL US

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CM

Catherine Nixon Miller posted:

Alice and Tony, As a child I remember your parents from all the events at the K.C.'s. They were such wonderful, kind people. Please accept my condolences for your loss. You're all in my prayers. God bless, Catherine Nixon Miller Denver, CO US

April 2 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Dorothy by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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