



Dorothy Ann "Dottie" Frances Yaizzo

June 13, 1937 - November 25, 2020

Dorothy Ann "Dottie" Frances Yaizzo, 83, of Cicero, passed away peacefully on November 25, 2020. She was born in Syracuse, NY, to the late Bernardino "Benny" and Assunta "Fanny" (Valentino) Yaizzo. She graduated from North High School and attended LeMoyne College. She later retired as the Secretary/Parish Business Administrator at Our Lady of Pompeii/St. Peter's Church after 40 years.

Dottie was an outstanding singer, member of the church choir and performed with the Pompeian Players. She sang for many weddings and events, including Gov. Mario Cuomo's inauguration. She recorded a CD of her favorite songs with the proceeds donated to the installation of the church elevator.

Dottie's love of travel led her throughout Europe many times, as well as her famous bus trips to New York City and spending winters in Vero Beach, Florida with her "Rosebud and Francesco". She loved trying to be a matchmaker. She spent time playing solitaire, reading, watching the Game Show Network, and would have to leave any event to watch David Muir on the evening news. The most important love of her life was her family. Memories of summer trips to Maine and camp will be etched in our hearts forever.

Besides her parents, Dottie is predeceased by her brother, Frank J. Yaizzo Sr. She is survived by her sister-in-law, Rose (Orlando Yaizzo) Larca (Frank) of Liverpool, nieces and nephews and their families, Frank Yaizzo Jr. (Donna Baker) of Pennellville and children Jesse, Michele (Greg), and Dallas (Kayla); Susan (Ronald) Bourdon of Cicero, children Kyle and Taylor; Michael (Lori) Yaizzo of Syracuse, children Gianna, Michael and Aleah; Michelle (John) Larca of Syracuse, children John Jr. and Rocco; Michael Larca (Susan) of Liverpool, children Magdalena, Giovanna and Demetra; also her many loving cousins, caring friends and her extended families from the church, choir and her New York trips.

A memorial mass in Dottie's honor will be celebrated at 10 am on Saturday, June 12, 2021 at Our Lady of Pompeii/St. Peter Church.

In lieu of flowers or donations, Dottie has requested that you say a little prayer in her memory as she passes from this life into eternal life.

Events

JUN **Memorial Mass** 10:00AM
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Our Lady of Pompei - St. Peter Church
301 Ash St., Syracuse, NY, US, 13208

Comments



“ On behalf of the Missionary Franciscan Sisters, we extend our condolences to Dottie's family and friends. She was a faithful friend of the sisters and kept in touch. Most of the sisters she knew have also gone home to God. I am sure they will be there to welcome her.
She will be in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Sr. Pat Coyle

Sister Pat Coyle - December 12, 2020 at 01:23 PM



“ Please accept our sincere condolences, I remember her famous bus trips to NYC, that my mother, grandmother and aunt used to go to on. My mother considered her a good friend, and loved to hear her sing at church.
Lauri Dimico Schneider, and the Dimico Family

Lauri A Schneider - December 04, 2020 at 04:42 PM



“ I remember Dottie's great sense of humor and ready smile during Pompeian Players rehearsals and every time I visited the Pompei rectory. Always a delightful person to be around. Godspeed, Dottie.

Anthony F. Bucci
Charlotte, NC

Anthony F. Bucci - December 03, 2020 at 07:42 PM



“ Condolences to the Yaizzo family for your loss. May she Rest In Peace.

Phil & Doreen Cerimeli - November 30, 2020 at 06:59 PM



“ To the Yazzo family. I'm so sorry for your loss. I'm sure you've heard it before. Dorothy sang at our wedding and my Brother Larry Arlotta played the organ. What a combination that was Prayers for all

corinne ferrante - November 30, 2020 at 03:50 PM



“ To the Yaizzo family.. Please accept our sincere sympathy & condolences for your loss of Dottie. May She rest in peace. Ed & Betty Ferrante

Ed & Betty Ferrante - November 30, 2020 at 03:38 PM



“ I would like to express my sympathy to the Larca, Bourdon and Yaizzo families. I will miss my friend. We had such good times together. Thankyou for taking good care of her. You are all very special to me.

Carm, Rick and Mike Mantione - November 30, 2020 at 08:59 AM



“ My husband and I enjoyed several fun bus trips to NYC and saw many Broadway show thanks to Dottie. She even secured rooms for friends who wanted to join us from Virginia. God be with you, Dottie. The St. Amours

Mary Ellen St. Amour - November 30, 2020 at 07:43 AM



“ Dear Rose and family... I was just wrapping Dottie's Christmas gift and received a call that she has passed away... please accept my sincere , loving condolences...it seems like a member of my own extended family has left us ... I ve known her so long and she was always such a wonderful, beautiful person ... I considered her an extension of my Aunt Mattia... my heart aches for all of you ... you have lost a treasure... I m sure she is enjoying her reward for a life well lived... she is seeing the face of God ... May He give you the peace and acceptance only he can give
RIP Dear friend

rosemarie emmi - November 29, 2020 at 08:58 PM



“ Dottie was the very first person I met when I was hired as Our Lady of Pompei’s Organist and Music Director in 1978, and I immediately recognized her enormous talent for singing, and the unique gift God had bestowed upon her. Ave Maria, Prayer of St. Francis, and Sento La Tua Mano were her signature solos, sung countless times for weddings, funerals, and Sunday Mass. The Church was her life, and music was her way of giving back to the parish family that she so dearly loved. It was my honor and privilege to have made music with her for the past 40+ years. Her presence and laughter will be greatly missed in the choir. My condolences to Dottie's family and friends, and to all who knew her. Well done, good and faithful servant! May choirs of angels lead you into paradise.

Jim Stanley
Music Director
Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

James Stanley - November 29, 2020 at 08:13 PM



“ Dear, Rose, Frank, & Susan. We want to express our condolences for the passing of a great friend. My fondest memory of Dorthey was in 1952, (ages 15 years). As Father Charles begged Dorthey to take me on as a musical partner in the show, Louisiana Hayride. Thank the Lord Dottie had the patience to stay with me until the show was over,
Because Father Charles told never to try out for another show. He sent me backstage, out of site until His retirement. But Dottie and I remained FRIENDS until NOW. God Bless her.

AL & Janet Petragani - November 29, 2020 at 07:25 PM



“ Diane And Lou Bianco lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Ann "Dottie" Frances Yaizzo



Diane and Lou Bianco - November 29, 2020 at 03:47 PM



“ To Dottie's family...I am truly saddened by the loss of such a sweet and caring person. Today I am thinking that we would be packing our bags to head down to NYC this week. What wonderful memories I have of those trips. Nobody could put together a trip like Dottie..She was a person who wanted you to enjoy the experience. I will never forget her!
Rest in peace, Dottie
Anita C.

Anita Cimino - November 29, 2020 at 09:42 AM



“ Rose and family,
I can't even begin to imagine how many lives Dottie touched! She was the most loving, giving, caring person I have ever known. My memories of my childhood include her (and Mary) and hours of laughter! Of course she sang the Ave Maria at my wedding and made my day even more special. She was able to get away with saying what everyone was thinking, but only she would say aloud! I loved her so much and thanks to FB reconnected with her. Cherish your memories and know that Heaven will never be the same, now that's she's there!

MaryBeth Gigantelli Jablonski

Mary Beth Jablonski - November 28, 2020 at 08:00 PM



“ Dear Frank, Rose and beloved family of Dottie,

We were so sad to read of Dottie's passing and offer our condolences for your loss. Rose and Frank, you were blessed to have her as she was to have you. She always exhibited that sweet smile and showed so much compassion and joy toward others. Her love for her family was full and rewarding.

We had so many laughs together in choir and wonderful times as kids living on the North side.

As we as we age and reminisce, it is difficult to lose those long standing friendships that can never be replaced.

Yes, we will remember her with a smile, a prayer, and a tremendous voice that she generously shared with so many.

May she have everlasting life and peace. We loved you, dear friend.

Dom and Marlene Mercurio
New Smyrna Beach, FL

Dom and Marlene Mercurio - November 28, 2020 at 06:49 PM



“ Rose and Family-Dottie was part of our growing up, in the choir with my mom and aunt and then me. She was full of fun and her smile would light up the room. Dottie and Mary will be singing for the Heavenly choir this Christmas, and the music will be beautiful! She will be remembered always. Prayers and sympathy extended to you and your family. Joanne (Ilacqua) Edwards

Joanne Edwards - November 28, 2020 at 10:44 AM



“ Rose and family. Patti and I are saddened to hear of Dotties passing. So great to be with over the years and share her smile and laughter. A great member of the Pompei family. Nick & Patti Pirro

nick pirro - November 28, 2020 at 10:04 AM



“ Dearest Rose and family. There are no words to say to cover how much aunt Dottie meant to me. One of the girls mentioned for me to give her a call not long ago and I never got to. My heart is broken. This was one of God's special angels and she was due for a rest. I will never forget her. I feel like you are all my family. Condolences to you all and God bless.

Diane and Lou Bianco - November 29, 2020 at 03:41 PM



“ Dorothy was a kind and generous woman who's heart was full of love. Sweet memories of her will always remain with us. To her family I send thoughts and prayers. She'll always be watching over you.

Patty Ilacqua Lamothe - November 28, 2020 at 07:48 AM



“ Losing Dottie is a sad passing in our family. She sang at my niece Kathryn's [her cousin] wedding in 2019. Her rendition of Ave Maria brought tears to so many including Mrs. Mario Cuomo who came to Sunday mass at Our Lady Of Pompei Church in October ,1982. May perpetual light shine upon you eternally Dottie .



Marty Nave - November 27, 2020 at 11:18 PM



“ To Dottie family ,it is so sad to lose such a nice loving person ,I have many fond memories of her ,She was devoted to Her Job her church her singing and Most of her devotion to OLP church and choir and to Monsignor Walsh ,She was always so kind to me and my classmate at Olp school ,I can remember doing envelopes in the basement of the church in seventh and eighth grade she would bring us juice and cookies ,She Sang like a Angel and now she is a Angel she was loved by May ,One of the last time I saw her was on Jet blue Plane returning from Florida were she spent winters ,I was with my mom Kate Nappi who knew Dottie well from years back when me and my brother Pat attending School god speeded her to Heaven Rest In Peace beautiful Lady from Patricia A Nappi ,Tom and Tommy Jr Dery The Nappi - Dery family



patricia A Nappi - November 27, 2020 at 09:00 PM



“ To the entire Yaizzo and Bourdon family -

You are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Know that many prayers are being said for Dottie and your family.

With sympathy,
Brian Ehret



Brian Ehret - November 27, 2020 at 06:20 PM



“ To Dottie's Family,

I am saddened to learn that Dottie has passed away. I rejoice to know that she is in the house of the Lord singing His praise with her amazing voice. As someone who grew up as part of Our Lady of Pompeii, I have many fond memories of Dottie. Her sense of humor and smile could light up any room. Whenever, I look back on those days I always smile and think of Dottie sitting at her desk or up in the choir loft. She was Pompeii as much as Monsignor Walsh was!

My husband and I were blessed to have Dottie sing at our wedding and to sing at several of our family members funerals. She was a amazing woman with an amazing gift from the Lord that she willing shared with all of us. I feel blessed to have known her and to have had her in my life. My thought and prayer are with you. May the Lord comfort and keep you.

Sincerely,
Jeanne DeGrazia-Curinga and Peter Curinga Jr.

Jean M Curinga - November 27, 2020 at 05:48 PM



“ My dear friend thank you for all the great trips and the laughs when we went to New York and Italy May you Rest In Peace and we can sing our diets together again Love you

Betty Toia - November 27, 2020 at 05:08 PM



“ To the Yaizzo family

What memories and heaven has just welcomed a wonderful person. As a friend of the Toia's Dottie will be sorely missed. I remember growing up and after church running in to Dottie was a treat. She would always identify me by my name "Mikey" and pinch my cheeks. I am saddened by her loss but the memories will live on forever. RIP Dottie and to the Yaizzo family cherish all the memories of your Aunt Sister in Law and your day will be complete with joy.

With Sadness
Mike, Robin Mikkal and Ava Toia

Mike Toia - November 27, 2020 at 02:49 PM



“ Dottie,
My Condolences to your family & friends who loved u so, I will never forget your kindness u gave,so much Love & knowledge to us all, May God watch over u & your family, My Prayers always
Love Antoinette Creno



Antoinette Pallotta - November 27, 2020 at 01:33 PM



“ To Dottie's family: I am so sorry for your loss. I knew Dottie in the 1950s and the early 1960s at Our Lady of Pompeii choir and Broadway shows with Father Charles Borgognoni. She had a beautiful, full, and strong contralto voice. May she rest in eternal peace.

Catherine Bernardi Ryan. February 25, 2021

Catherine - February 25 at 04:41 PM