



Dorothy E. Guzzi

February 17, 1934 - October 20, 2017

Dorothy E. Guzzi, 83, of Painesville Twp., passed away October 20, 2017 at Hospice House in Cleveland. She was born February 17, 1934 in Nutter Fort, West Virginia.

Dorothy believed in the importance of family. She was a very loving and supportive wife, mother, grandmother and sister. She was an avid reader who enjoyed books of all types, as well as doing crafts like sewing, knitting, and crocheting. Many of her creations were given as treasured gifts. She raised her children with annual traditions, such as baking for the holidays. She studied her families' genealogy for more than thirty years. During her retirement years she enjoyed bird watching, using her computer to email her sisters, listening to gospel music and watching the TV show "Reba." Her memory will always be cherished and she will be forever missed by many.

Survivors are her husband, Vincenzo "Jim" Guzzi; children, Nikki Rosso, Gina (David) Baker, and James, Curtis, Wally, Paul (Lori), and Vincenzo Guzzi; 11 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; 7 sisters; and 1 brother.

She was preceded in death by her infant daughter, Ruth Ann Guzzi; granddaughter, Heather Guzzi; and her parents Ezra and Reva Cottrill.

The family will receive friends to celebrate Dorothy's life from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation

Center 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060. A funeral service to conclude the celebration will be held 7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers and in memory of Dorothy memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of the Western Reserve , 17876 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland 44110-2602, donate online at www.hospicewr.org. Please offer condolences at www.brunners.com

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT **25**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center
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Memorial Service

OCT **25**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SB

“ Dorothy was my s cond mom for 22 years while I was married to her son, Curtis. Wonderful lady full of love. She mad me feel I was part of her family. I know she is in heaven. Loving you, Susan Bradley

Susan Bradley - October 04, 2025 at 02:07 PM

GB

“ I miss you so much. I sometimes hear your voice in my sleep at night. I miss your hugs. I miss your laugh. I miss your smile and your warm heart. I miss everything about you. You always made me feel so safe. Nothing could hurt me while you were around. I love you so much, mom.

Gina Baker - December 02, 2017 at 11:49 PM

DU

“ Aunt Dorothy always made me feel special and welcome. I remember spending many overnights although she already had a houseful of kids. Memories of hand made Barbie clothes, showing me how to make the Guzzi Italian fruitcakes, planning a huge family reunion, to her infamous hugs, Aunt Dorothy was one of a kind. It was an honor to have you as my aunt. With my deepest love, Debbie Guzzi Ullemeyer

Debbie Guzzi Ullemeyer - October 25, 2017 at 11:48 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dorothy E. Guzzi.



October 25, 2017 at 11:27 AM

LT

“ Love, Cathy Thompson purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Dorothy E. Guzzi.



Love, Cathy Thompson - October 24, 2017 at 01:41 PM

JS

“ Dorothy was an amazing dauhtemr,sister, wife,mother, grandmother and Aunt. I never told her in words how happy I was to have her as my sister, but we ended every goodbye with "I love you ". She provided me with things I wanted, not necessarily needed. Such as a new dress for a special occasion. I remember a red dress she made for me out of dotted-swiss. She made a hoop skirt to make the full skirt stand out. WHAT A CHALLENGE IT WAS TO GET THE CAR DOOR SHUT! She gave me hair cuts, perms and new hair styles. Somewhere there is a picture of me with a "sputnik" hair do. Some of you might remember when Russia put their sputnik in space. That was her inspiration and I was her willing guinea pig. She brought the family and came home often. We were always excited to see all of you. One time sticks in my memory when Curtis was a baby. Jim was out of work and they came to stay a few months. Curtie Joe was everyone's darling. I will miss calling Dorothy on her birthday to sing Happy Birthday. I will be sad when my birthday comes and there is no call from her saying "Happy Birthday brat!" and then burstng into singing "happy birthday to you". She was a huge influence in making me who I am today. So... Dorohy, until I meet you in heaven, love, hugs and prayers!

Judy Cottrill Stewart - October 24, 2017 at 01:00 PM

 Cyndi Booth

“ Aunt Dorothy, I love you. You gave the absolute best hugs in the world. EVERY single time I saw you, I could count on seeing your big beautiful smile, a hug so big you nearly squeezed the breath out of me and the sincere words "I love you". You have no idea how much those three things will be missed till we meet again.

Cyndi Booth - October 24, 2017 at 10:13 AM

RJ

“ Oh Dorothy, I will miss you, and all our fun times with family trees, and sharing books.
You were such a grand lady.
Love you,. Rhoda and family

R Jones - October 23, 2017 at 05:06 PM

GB

“ My mom, Dorothy Guzzi was an amazing woman. She was a very affectionate and loving mother. I love you with All of my heart, mom. I will miss you very much.

Gina Baker - October 23, 2017 at 04:19 PM

 Karlan Champa

Even though I only knew Dorothy for a short time. From the very first day I met her she treated me as family. She didn't treat me any different than she treated her own❤️ She and her family accepted me for myself. She was like my grandma and I can't believe she's gone💔 I love her always and miss her always ❤️ Thank you for making me feel so loved and welcome. You are an angel ❤️

Karlan Champagne - October 23, 2017 at 04:31 PM

 Carla Dobbins

I love you Aunt Dorothy, I will see you in Heaven one day.

Carla Dobbins - October 24, 2017 at 10:41 AM

KW

Aunt Dorothy, I remember the many visits that you and your family made to WV. I was always so excited to see you all! You would pinch my cheeks way to hard and then give me a 50 cent piece. I will cherish those memories forever! Love ❤️ you always! Tilt me meet agin.

Kim (Burrows) Winger - October 25, 2017 at 09:30 AM