



Dorothy Jean Murawa

December 1, 1936 - August 8, 2020

To view or download a copy of Dottie's Service on 8.14.20 please

CLICK HERE (<https://vimeo.com/453504165/eec0ed70ec>)

Dorothy "Dottie" J. Murawa, of Toledo, OH, passed away peacefully on Saturday, August 8, 2020. She was born December 1, 1936 in Toledo to the late Frank and Catherine Keil. Her childhood was spent working on the family farm with her beloved Keil and Schmitz cousins. She attended St. Charles Elementary and graduated from Central Catholic High School in 1954. Dottie married the love of her life Charles Murawa, marrying on October 3, 1959. Together they had 12 children to whom she devoted all her time and love. The communities of Old Orchard and Gesu were both integral in helping Dottie and Chuck raise their family. Her positive outlook and strong faith will live on through her children and grandchildren as well as her extended family and friends.

Dottie was preceded in death by her husband, Charles; son, Michael; parents, Frank and Catherine Keil; sisters, Mary Lou Westhoven and Hilda Michel and close sister-in-law and friend, Sue Murawa. Left to cherish her memory are her children, Charlene (Robert) Donelan, Donna (Kevin) Katafias, Patrick Murawa, Mary (Dave) Super, Christine (Chris) Foetisch, Debbie McDonald, Kathy Murawa, Brenda Murawa, Dan (Kate) Murawa, Gretchen Murawa, and

Maureen (Jamie) Karubas. Also surviving are 18 grandchildren, that include Brian, Patrick, Megan and Michael Donelan, Michael, Alex and Kyle Super, Jack and Kylie Foetisch, Natalie, Benjamin, Daniel and Samantha McDonald, Colleen Murawa, Owen and Anna Murawa, and Isabel and Olivia Karubas. Dottie is also survived by her sister, Sr. Angela Keil, OSF.

Friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Rd. on Thursday, August 13, 2020 from 3:00-7:00 p.m. where a Scripture Service will be recited at 6:30 p.m. A Funeral Mass will be held on Friday, August 14th at Gesu Catholic Church, 2049 Parkside Blvd., Toledo, OH 43607, at 11:00 a.m. Interment Calvary Cemetery. Due to the current conditions caused by the pandemic, face masks and social distancing will be required by the funeral home and the church. The Live Stream of the Funeral Mass is available by CLICKING HERE (<https://vimeo.com/453504165/eec0ed70ec>).

The family extends special thanks to Dottie's dedicated aide, Carrie Many and neighbors Ken and Evie Day for their genuine care and compassion. In lieu of flowers, please consider memorial contributions to Gesu Catholic Church, Saint Ursula Academy, or St. Francis deSales High School. Please view and sign our online "guest registry" at CoyleFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2224 Dorr St.
Toledo, OH 43607

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **13**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral Home
1770 S. Reynolds Road
Toledo, OH 43614

Service

AUG **14**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Gesu
2049 Parkside Blvd
Toledo, OH 43607

Tribute Wall



“ *Coyle Funeral and Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Dorothy Jean Murawa*



Coyle Funeral and Cremation Services - September 01, 2020 at 05:04 PM

KM

“ *1 file added to the album Video of mom being mom!*



Kathy Murawa - August 27, 2020 at 12:33 PM

AP

“ *I am so glad I was able to watch this beautiful service for Aunt Dottie. Her loving caring spirit lives on in each of you. Three words come to mind when I think of Aunt Dottie...Joyful (always had a smile on her face) Strong (I guess she had to be that way to raise all of you!) and Caring (she was always more interested in other people than herself)*

Wish I was there to hug all your necks but know you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Love to all,

Amy Westhoven Prewitt

Amy Prewitt - August 14, 2020 at 09:38 PM

MS

“ *Fond memories of the Murawa family seeing Dottie's children rush to the door when I shared a ride w/ Char to John Carroll U. many years ago. Saying some prays for your mother during these times..*
Mark & Lin Steinbauer

mark steinbauer - August 14, 2020 at 03:28 PM

DW

“ *Hi Cousins,*
I was so glad to be able to watch Aunt Dottie's funeral today. It was a great service and I'm glad Doug was able to represent us (he is always good for reading a scripture or something). Your mom was a very special person and I personally will always remember her wonderful smile. It didn't matter what the situation (greatly out numbered by your children), Aunt Dottie always shared her smile with us. I want you to know that your cousins are praying with you and have an empty space in our hearts today. Love you all, David Westhoven

David Westhoven - August 14, 2020 at 03:14 PM

SA

“ *I am watching the beautiful funeral service now. I'm so sorry I couldn't be there. Father was right that she saw joy in everything. She is such an inspiration in that way, and so many ways. She almost always had a smile on her face (often that half smile) and was cool as a cucumber in the midst of so much. One of my life mottos is "What Would Dottie Do?" She would meet each challenge, and each moment even, with joy, with peace, with humor, and with LOVE. The world could use a lot more people like Dottie these days!! Luckily we have the Murawas she will live on through. Sending my condolences and much love to you all.*

Sarah Beazley Abu-Absi - August 14, 2020 at 11:32 AM

KT

“ *Brenda and family I am sorry for your loss. I enjoyed working with Dottie and Brenda back when. My best to the family. Karen Lee Trombley*

KAREN LEE TROMBLEY - August 14, 2020 at 10:24 AM

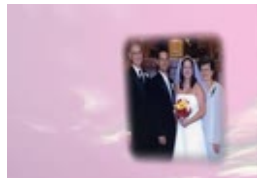
SU

“ *My prayers and sympathy to all the Murawas. I remember some of you girls at St. Ursula Academy and admire the commitment of your parents for a Catholic education. I am sorry I can not make the visitation due to being in a meeting. Please know your are in my prayers.*

Sr. Donna Frey - Ursuline - August 13, 2020 at 05:49 PM

CV

“ *1 file added to the album VIDEO TRIBUTE*



COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - August 13, 2020 at 06:33 AM

AK

How beautiful this is, thanks Bob! Only you could do this! Aunt Angie

Angie Keil - August 13, 2020 at 10:44 AM

AK

“ Dottie, Thanks for being a wonderful sister and my Confirmation sponsor in 5th grade. It was great to share our time together at Gulf Shores just the 4 Keil girls together. I will always remember that birthday of mine because we were all together. I will miss our conversations on the phone about Faith and God and how the Spirit is working in our lives in the ordinary events. Please remember me to Mom and Dad as you dance together once again with Chuck. Ginny Labardee will welcome you once again. Remember you are the only one who ever took me golfing even if I thought it was boring. You are my inspiration for kindness and hospitality to each person you met. I love you and will continue to be a loving aunt to your beautiful children. Know that the whole Tiffin Franciscan community is praying for all of you! I love and miss being there with you in person these next two days. My heart and prayers are continually with you all! I love you dearly! Aunt Angie

Aunt Angie Keil - August 12, 2020 at 11:27 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dorothy Jean Murawa.



August 12, 2020 at 07:33 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dorothy Jean Murawa.



August 12, 2020 at 07:21 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dorothy Jean Murawa.



August 12, 2020 at 07:19 PM



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COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - August 12, 2020 at 06:58 PM



What a beautiful service and video. I met Dottie in a hospice support group when we lost our spouses. She was such a kind and sweet woman. And Brenda is such a sweetheart. I really enjoyed being with them at our social dinners. You all have such a beautiful family. I'm Blessed to have met them both. Please give my deepest condolences to Brenda and to your whole family. Your love for each other is very evident and such a joy to have known these beautiful ladies. May God Bless you all during this difficult time. Leanna Kander

Leanna M Kander - August 16, 2020 at 11:40 AM



“ Lori Dean and family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Dorothy Jean Murawa.



Lori Dean and family - August 12, 2020 at 04:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dorothy Jean Murawa.*



August 12, 2020 at 02:49 PM



“ *To the Murawa family,
Your mom was a special lady... knew her many years ago as a teacher at Gesu.... needed any help or goodies, she was there. My thoughts and prayers are with you as you remember your mother and her great love for all of you.
Sister Mary Richarde, SND*

Sister Mary Richarde - August 12, 2020 at 12:58 PM



“ *Sister Angie Keil purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Dorothy Jean Murawa.*



Sister Angie Keil - August 12, 2020 at 09:40 AM



“ *Dan, Laura & Brady Borucki purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dorothy Jean Murawa.*



Dan, Laura & Brady Borucki - August 12, 2020 at 09:03 AM

KM

“ Mom,
Thank you for being so wonderful! You found the joy and fun in everything from cherry tomatoes to your new wheelchair ramp. You taught each of us how to have faith, especially in your good friend The Holy Spirit! You never complained even when I made you green eggs and ham to begin your St. Patrick’s Day! I love that you we’re so wonderful always to Colleen and all of your grandchildren. I love that you visited us in Colorado and North Carolina! I love that each day you worked so hard to wake up that left leg, get out on your bike or make an angel food cake! You were always so kind and always thinking of others. I love that you found humor in the simplest of things from our driveway wheel game to shower cap fun and games! Now it’s time for you to go and have some fun with Mike and Dad and the large crowd at your party, but boy I am really going to miss you! I love you more and most! I win!!!❤️❤️❤️❤️

Kathy Murawa - August 12, 2020 at 01:33 AM

TK

“ To Pat and the entire Murawa family. I am so sorry to hear about your mom’s passing. Such a wonderful person and fantastic mother to all of you. My prayers are with you. God bless your mom and your family. Tom Kelly

Tom Kelly - August 11, 2020 at 08:50 PM

PR

“ I met Dottie under protest. Let me explain. My friend and her friend were sisters who both attended Gesu. They sponsored each of us on a retreat. I did not want to go on the retreat. We all drove down together and should I say the rest is history. That same Gesu community asked Dottie, who asked me to assist, to start at bereavement group. That lead to us working together for over three years. One of the projects we made our participants do was say what they wanted to be remembered for. Dottie's answer was no surprise "MOM".

Oh and yes her Old Orchard Community. When I worked at Pelham we would walk the area most mornings before I started work. She was so excited when I told her last year that my daughter found a place on yes, you guessed it Middlesex. From High Teas to Baseball games, to taking her to the beauty shop. (we all know she had great hair) soooo many memories.

But most of all because of her, I am a better person. I just read a FB post about how women should surround themselves by phenomenal women to lift them up. Dottie was and always will be in my heart phenomenal.

To all of you "kids" and "grand kids" My love and sympathy. You were all her "favorite"

Pamela Rybka

Pamela A. Rybka - August 11, 2020 at 08:04 PM

TM

“ Pat, I am so sorry about the passing of your Mother. She was always so nice and calm and always seemed to have a smile on her face. My family and I send our condolences.

Tim Malone and Family

Tim Malone - August 11, 2020 at 06:35 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dorothy Jean Murawa.*



August 11, 2020 at 04:17 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dorothy Jean Murawa.*



August 11, 2020 at 04:16 PM



“ *The Dillon, Prewitt and Westhoven Cousins purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Dorothy Jean Murawa.*



The Dillon, Prewitt and Westhoven Cousins - August 11, 2020 at 01:35 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Dottie was a wonderful part of our family and will be greatly missed. Love and prayers to her children and their families. Phil, Marylyn, Kathy and David*

kathy - August 11, 2020 at 10:59 AM

KJ

“ Pat, Bebop and I are so very sorry for your loss. May your memories be bright and your heart be healed. Thinking of you during this time.

Kathy and Bebop Jakubowski

Kathy Jakubowski - August 11, 2020 at 10:36 AM

MK

“ Mom, I know I never was going to be ready to say goodbye, but I would give anything for one more hug, one more talk, one more day with you! I told you often that you were a saint and the most patient and calm person I knew. You handled anything life threw you with such grace. I will try to follow your example and instill that in my kids as well. Thank you for being such an amazing mom and friend. Watch over us, guide us and know how deeply you were loved.💕



Maureen Karubas - August 11, 2020 at 10:14 AM

JH

Oh Moey so true and beautiful.

judy Hirzel - August 11, 2020 at 01:38 PM

MB

“ Mike, Shelley, Karissa & Kendra Blackie purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Dorothy Jean Murawa.



Mike, Shelley, Karissa & Kendra Blackie - August 11, 2020 at 09:49 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dorothy Jean Murawa.*



August 11, 2020 at 09:11 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dorothy Jean Murawa.*



August 10, 2020 at 08:12 PM



“ *Rainbow Reflections Basket was purchased for the family of Dorothy Jean Murawa.*



August 10, 2020 at 05:26 PM



“ *Dottie was my cousin who lived by me and we grew up together went to St. Charles grade school and remained friends all of our life. We shared many laughs and good times. I will miss her smile, laugh and good sense of humor. A wonderful lady and loved by all.*

Our deepest sympathy to all of her family, Love Walt and Shirley Keil

Shirley Keil - August 10, 2020 at 04:39 PM



She was so happy whenever she got together with you or even phone calls these past few months 🥰

Debbie Murawa McDonald - August 12, 2020 at 05:33 PM



So happy she got to visit with Walter last week with Mary & Brenda. It made her so happy. She loved her cousins!

Christine Foetisch - August 12, 2020 at 10:01 PM