



Dorothy (Robinson) LaFache

March 20, 2010

Mrs. Dorothy (Robinson) LaFache, of Utica, passed away peacefully on Saturday, March 20, 2010 with the comfort of her family by her side.

Dorothy was the daughter of the late Walter and Pansy (Page) Robinson of East Guilford, NY, where she was raised and educated. She later relocated to Utica where she married Louis F. LaFache who passed away on December 23, 1989; they tended to their marriage with much care and sacrificed for the betterment of their children.

An accomplished seamstress, Dorothy created fine outfits for family and friends, masterfully designed and fit for special occasions. But her most important calling in life was that of a loving mother, not only to her own children, but also to their friends and extended families, many of whom lovingly knew her as "Nanny." Dorothy lived for the joy of her children and grandchildren, and she was the reason they all came together to celebrate life's daily events and special occasions. She was a paragon of unconditional love and her children lived by her wisdom and guidance. Affectionately known to her loved ones as "Rose Kennedy", she was the matriarch who oversaw the "compound" on Welsh Bush Road, a warm place where all were welcomed with sincere hospitality. She enjoyed traveling and trying her hand at games of chance. She was a parishioner of St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church.

Dorothy is survived by her children and their families, Louis F. LaFache, Jr., Paul E. LaFache, Theresa Custodero-Tripolone and her husband, Carmen, Anthony J. LaFache, Esq. and his wife, Linda, and Elizabeth and Ronald

Sacco. Dorothy also loved Rose Cardillo DeSantis as a daughter. She also leaves her grandchildren, Deborah and Rick Giffune, Diana and Ricky Moskal, Louis F. LaFache III, Jacqueline M. and Mariusz Lukasik, Kristin and Joseph Speciale, Kathryn Custodero, Kara LaFache, Trisha LaFache, Anthony LaFache, Julie Sacco Bastedo and her husband, Michael, Alyssa Sacco, and Theresa Fumarola; her great-grandchildren, James and Zachary Goldstein; Serae LaFache, Ada Bastedo, and Joseph Speciale. Survivors also include her nieces, nephews, especially acknowledging Rev. Anthony P. LaFache, and her godson, Louis LaFache, great-nieces and great-nephews. She was predeceased by her brothers and sisters-in-law, Carl and Gladys Robinson, Archie and Ona Robinson, and Paul Robinson; her sister and brother-in-law, Evelyn and Anthony Brown; her in-laws, Anthony P. and Angela M. LaFache, and Mary and Anthony Laino; and her nieces, Christine LaFache, and Elizabeth Anne LaFache.

The family is grateful to the medical staff and personnel of the Masonic Care Community of NY, especially those of the Brooklyn Household, for the excellent and loving care rendered to Dorothy and her family.

In keeping with Dorothy's wishes, there will be no public visitation. By family request, please omit floral offerings. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Dorothy's Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life which will commence on Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. at St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church celebrated by her nephew, Rev. Anthony P. LaFache. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of the service. Entombment will take place in the Calvary Cemetery Mausoleum at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

In the words of Dorothy, "Love Fixes Everything."

Tribute Wall



“ Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dorothy (Robinson) LaFache



Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - March 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Atty. La Fache, Theresa and Elizabeth:
I want to express my deepest sympathy with the loss of your mother. I have a lot of fond memories of her, when my mother and her were in the Masonic Home Rehabilitation together(Spring/ 2000). I enjoyed our conversations.
Your mother was a very friendly and compassionate person. She was very kind to my mother and made her feel, most welcome. I know that she will be sadly missed by everyone. May God Bless her and keep her in his care.
Sincerely,
Tricia Tomaino-Nistico##imported-begin##Tricia Tomaino-Nistico##imported-end##

March 29, 2010 at 05:48 PM



“ *what a loving and caring woman ms. lafache was she will be dearly missed.*
I waited on her as a cashier for years at chnatrys on albany street.rest in heaven.love you girlfriend! xoxoxox###imported-begin###marie zaniwski (tinky)###imported-end##

March 29, 2010 at 05:05 PM



“ *Tony*
Our deepest sympathy to you and your family on the loss of your Mother. You now have a Special Angel always watching over you.###imported-begin###FRANK & DONNA MERHIB###imported-end##

March 26, 2010 at 10:48 AM



“ *Paul and your entire family.*

I would like to send my condolences on the passing of your mother. It is with deep regret that I cannot make the services. I wanted you and your family to know that she is a much better place than we are on earth. My deepest sympathies to you and your family, God bless you all.###imported-begin###JEANETTE SARDINA###imported-end##

March 25, 2010 at 01:17 PM



“ *Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family at this time. We are sorry for your loss.###imported-begin###Nick & Mary Parrotta, Naples, FL###imported-end##*

March 24, 2010 at 10:33 PM



“ Theresa, Anthony ,Elizabeth & family

So sorry to hear of your loss , you have our deepest sympathy

*Maryros & Jim Schiavetta & Roz Mazza###imported-
begin###maryrose Schiavetta###imported-end##*

March 24, 2010 at 11:55 AM



“ Liz, Budda, Alyssa,Julie, Mike and Ada, Nanny will forever be remembered for all she has meant to you in her own special way. Love never grows old nor leaves you. Love you all, Linda and Jerry###imported-begin###Linda and Jerry Bastedo###imported-end##

March 23, 2010 at 07:37 PM



“ Very sad to hear of the passing of such a wonderful woman. My thoughts are with all of you.###imported-begin###Bill Burns###imported-end##

March 23, 2010 at 03:50 PM



“ Out thoughts and prayers are with you.###imported-begin###Marty and Diane Broccoli###imported-end##

March 23, 2010 at 03:14 PM



“ Dear Tony, Kara, Trisha, Serae & family,

My deepest sympathy to all of you during this difficult time. I have very fond memories of Nanny growing up. I know how special you all were to her & how special she was to all of you. Cherish all of the great memories you have of her! You will all be in my thoughts & prayers. Take care.##imported-begin##Rhonda Zangrilli-Russell##imported-end##

March 23, 2010 at 01:34 PM



“ Aunt Liz, Uncle Budda, Julie, Alyssa, Jackie, Katie, etc.....I am so sorry for the loss of Dorothy. Such a sweet, spunky woman as I remember many Xmas eves. May you carry her memory forever in your hearts...love you all.##imported-begin##Michele DiNardi Fields##imported-end##

March 23, 2010 at 10:39 AM



“ My family and I send our deepest condolences to the family regarding the passing of Nanny. She was a remarkable woman that was the matriarch of her family. I first met Nanny at the "compound" when I was 13 years old. She was always very hospitable and welcoming to all of her children and grandchildrens friends. I would even run into Nanny at the St. Anthonys Feasts as an adult and she would always remember me as Katies friend from Mary St. She had a sharp memory regardless of her ailments and the many many people she met of her grandchildrens friends along the years. She always remembered each and every one of us! god bless Nanny and her many years she graced us with her presence. She lives on in each and every one of you!##imported-begin##Danielle McEwen ##imported-end##

March 23, 2010 at 10:15 AM



“ I remember meeting Nanny after Jacki and I became friends in college. We were home on a break (I'm from Rome) and she brought us some goodies to snack on – making me feel welcome and at home so effortlessly. She was so full of life, such an awesome lady! I remember the family "compound" and thought how nice it was to have so much family so close. I know how much she meant to Jacki and the entire LaFache family. My heart is broken for your loss.##imported-begin##Elia Canalda Imler##imported-end##

March 22, 2010 at 04:55 PM



“ Dear Liz & Family, You are in my thoughts and prayers,during this sad time.
Our loved ones never leave us, they just go on vacation and wait for us!
Love,
Sandy##imported-begin##Sandy Montalbano##imported-end##

March 22, 2010 at 02:17 PM



“ My Dear Friend, Liz - My heartfelt sympathy to you and your family during this difficult time. Your mom was a wonderful woman, a class-act, a woman of substance. She touched the lives of all she knew. She will be truly missed by all of them. My thoughts and prayers are with you. She's with the Lord and in peace now.
Donna##imported-begin##Donna Davies##imported-end##

March 22, 2010 at 02:09 PM



“ Tony, Paul, Theresa, Liz, Louis, and all the family,

We are saddened to read of your mom's passing and extend our deepest sympathies.

While not even time may be able to heal the hole in your hearts and in your family unit, hopefully it will, one day, feel not quite as cavernous.

May the love and support of your family and friends, together with fond memories, be of comfort to you during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Kim and Peter Zogby##imported-end##

March 22, 2010 at 12:42 PM



“ Liz and Family:

Please know that the thoughts and prayers of those at Parkway and the MS Campus are with you and your family during this difficult time. We're sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Tammy Smith##imported-end##

March 22, 2010 at 12:26 PM



“ To the LaFache Family - I am so sorry to hear of Dorothy's passing. My sincere condolences to all the family.##imported-begin##ROSE HUTCHINS FRENCH##imported-end##

March 22, 2010 at 10:51 AM



“ Budda and Elizabeth:

My deepest condolences to you both and your family. Still in Fla.##imported-begin##Bob Flo##imported-end##

March 22, 2010 at 09:54 AM



“ Paul: Carl & I were verry sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Our thoughts & prayers are with you at this very sad time.##imported-begin##carl & annette fiore##imported-end##

March 22, 2010 at 09:19 AM



“ We are so sorry to hear about the loss of your mother, We knew her well She was a wonderful person. Our deepest sympathy to your family. Andy and Linda##imported-begin##Andrew & Linda Convertino##imported-end##

March 22, 2010 at 09:17 AM



“ Tony, my thoughts and prayers are with you. My condolences to your family.
Pam Ray Koshmer##imported-begin##Pamela Ray Koshmer##imported-end##

March 22, 2010 at 06:54 AM