



Mrs. Dorothy A. (Granata) Amado

February 3, 1937 - January 28, 2026

UTICA – Mrs. Dorothy A. (Granata) Amado, age 88, was ready to see the Lord when she transitioned on Wednesday, January 28, 2026. At the time of her passing she was surrounded by her beloved husband, Mitch, and her children who all held her close to their hearts.

Born in Utica on February 3, 1937, Dorothy was the daughter of the late Giosue “Joe” and Flavia “Florence” (Mineo) Granata. She was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School, Class of 1955.

On June 21, 1958, she married Mitchell J. Amado, Jr. Theirs was a blessed union of nearly 68 years, built on trust.

Dorothy was once a secretary at the General Electric Company at its Broad Street location. Once her children were born, raising them became her utmost priority. She later returned to the workforce, assuming a secretarial position at MVCC, where she worked for 20 years.

She regarded her marriage and the raising and education of her children as her greatest accomplishments. Dorothy felt she had all the blessings a woman could ask for, and that everything had turned out as she had planned. She had no regrets.

Dorothy loved the Lord. She held a rosary in her hand and let the Blessed Mother guide every decision she made. She was a devoted member of St. Louis Gonzaga Church. Father Boutros El Hachem was attentive in regularly administering Communion and the Sacraments to her.

Dorothy is survived by her husband, Mitch; children and their loves, Marlene A. Amado, Mitchell J. III and Linda Amado, Diane M. and James Owen, Doreen M. and Dan Collea, and Daniel A. Amado and Kim Perkins; grandchildren, Anthony Amado, Michele Amado; Elias Owen, Jessica Owen, James Owen; Danielle Collea, and Luke Collea; Brittany and

Tyler Sittig, Marissa Amado; and great-grandchildren, Elias Jon Sittig, and Carson Amado-White. She held close to her heart the memory of her sister, Mary Jane Granata, who preceded her and whom Dorothy never forgot. She is additionally survived by several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins; brother-in-law, James M. “Jim” Amado; and her many friends, as she was a social and compassionate woman who honored the many friendships that she grew over the years. Dorothy was additionally predeceased by her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Mitchell J. Sr. and Jennie Ann (Darjany) Amado; and her brother-in-law and sister-in-law, John and Susan Amado.

Gratitude is extended to the numerous physicians who cared for Dorothy throughout her life, especially Dr. Scott Brehaut of the Neuro ICU at Wynn Hospital.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Dorothy’s funeral service, which will be held on Thursday, February 5, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Louis Gonzaga Church, 520 Rutger St. There, the Divine Liturgy of the Faithful Departed will be celebrated by Father Boutros El Hachem, after which there will be an opportunity to greet the family. In lieu of floral offerings, memorial contributions in Dorothy’s honor may be made to CURE – Citizens United for Research in Epilepsy online at www.cureepilepsy.org/donate; envelopes will also be available at the service. Entombment will take place in Christ Our Savior Mausoleum at Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Cemetery Details

Christ Our Savior Mausoleum at Calvary Cemetery

2407 Oneida Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-2727

Previous Events

Funeral Service

FEB 5. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Louis Gonzaga Church
520 Rutger Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 732-6019

Tribute Wall

MW

“ *MARY WISNER lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy A. (Granata) Amado*



MARY WISNER - February 11 at 12:17 PM

RP

“ *Condolences to the Amado family, I have nice memories of visits when I was a child and I always remember Dorothy smiling. Rest in Peace
Roseann Guarniero Petronella*

Roseann Guarniero Petronella - February 07 at 08:33 PM

RT

“ *To the Amado family!! I replaced a few windows in the house a couple of times and she was wonderful to speak with! She always said that she wished she had met me earlier in life because she always admired my work as a carpenter. So sorry to hear of her passing and may she rest in peace!
Rocco Tebsherany*

Rocco Tebsherany - February 07 at 04:15 PM

RL

“ *Danny sorry to hear about the loss of your mother may she rest in peace Roger and Joanne Loran*

roger loran - February 05 at 07:30 PM

NS

“ *Mrs. Amado was one of the nicest people you could ever meet. I had the pleasure to know her when her mom was in the nursing home I worked in. She was always pleasant, no matter the day.*



May she rest eternally in peace.

Natalia Sitts - February 05 at 03:24 PM

RH

“ Mitch and family,
So very sorry for the loss of your wife and mother. Dorothy had a beautiful infectious smile. May all the beautiful memories bring you comfort. May she rest in the arms of the Blessed Mother.
Rosanne Hebert



Rosanne Hebert - February 05 at 06:58 AM

JF

“ Mitch And family , Mitchell III, Marlene , Diane , Doreen, Dan , Your Wife and Mother Dorothy a truly good woman and dear friend to my family please accept our deepest condolences on the passing of Dorothy she will be remembered as one of the greats .
Joe, Sant, Frank Sardina

Joe , Santo and Frank - February 04 at 06:59 AM

JN

“ Diane and Family,
I am so sorry for your loss. Please know you are in my prayers. May God give you peace, and comfort during this difficult time.
With heartfelt sympathy,
Jim Nolan

James Nolan - February 03 at 11:44 PM

PC

“ Mitch and family, very sorry for your loss, Dorothy was a very special person, may she rest in peace, Peter and Patty Cerminaro

peter cerminaro - February 03 at 11:17 PM

DK

“ Amado Family, So very sorry to read the passing of your beloved Dorothy. Whenever we met up she always had a smile & kind words to myself & mom. May she rest in peace. Sincerely, Darlene Karam

Darlene Karam - February 03 at 05:00 PM

RG

“ Rose and Tony Guido purchased the Heavenly Light for the family of Mrs. Dorothy A. (Granata) Amado.



Rose and Tony Guido - February 03 at 03:47 PM

AG

“ Dear Mitch, our condolences and prayers go out to you and your family. We have so many good memories of our times together with you and Dorothy and we will always cherish them. May the Lord shower you with his graces as you go forward.

Tony & Rose

Anthony Guido - February 03 at 03:14 PM

LG

“ Dearest Mitch, and all "5 apples of their mothers eyes", My heart breaks for each of you. what a beautiful blessing God gave you all, to claim her as your own. My memories are many, but I can remember like yesterday, when "Butch" and his lovely bride were playing catch with baseball mitts in the road, on Grandview Ave. Dorothy was wearing a lovely cream colored skirt and jacket, heels, which didn't stop her from sharing this quality time and fun with the love of her life. It was very evident to me as a very young girl, how special this relationship was!! May you all take some comfort in knowing how blessed you are. God is good, and Dorothy lived her life ensuring that her family always came first. May she rest in peace.
Sincerely, Linda Geno

Linda M Geno - February 03 at 01:14 PM

ST

“ Dan, we are very sorry to hear about the passing of your mom, Sending thoughts and prayers to you and your family. May God Bless you all during this very difficult time. Stephen & Jackie Teti

Stephen and Jackie Teti - February 03 at 01:04 PM

PG

“ Mitch & Family,

*Sending my heartfelt sympathy to you and your family.
Thinking of all of you across the miles.*

Sincerely,

Paula Guarniero



Paula Guarniero - February 03 at 09:56 AM

SM

“ Mitch & Family,

My deepest condolence for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time.

I'll never forget the wonderful friendship between Dorothy and my mom.

I know their friendship will continue in heaven

With Sympathy,

Sandra Macri (Tampa)

Sandra Macri - February 02 at 03:53 PM

CS

“ *compassionate nature. Kennedy Siblings purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Mrs. Dorothy A. (Granata) Amado.*



compassionate nature. Kennedy Siblings - February 02 at 12:40 PM

JR

“ *Beautiful Dorothy was the bride of my dear cousin Butch; mother of my beloved 2nd cousin Diane Owen; and sister-in-law of my beloved cousin Jim Amado. I will always remember Dorothy as engaging and loving. Although the miles between Utica and Virginia, and life responsibilities prevented us from having frequent one on one time as adults; my childhood and adolescent experiences with her were all wonderful and memorable. I know she has transitioned from being surrounded by Earthly loved ones to being embraced by Heavenly ones. Regretfully our extremely icy conditions and more snow called for mid-week will prevent my from driving to her service, I will be there in spirit and keep her alive in my heart always. Sending tons of love to her beautiful family--Jennie Kennedy Reikowsky*

Jennie Reikowsky - February 01 at 04:01 PM

AM

“ Well Dorothy being my wonderful cousin I'm just sad to see that she left us. However she is in good hands, she loved the Lord and she loved her family. I move my family to Denver Colorado and the seventies but we never stopped communicating. Why given name is Anthony, but I've gone by the name Tony most of my life. To Dorothy my name never changed from Anthony. She refused to use Tony. We spent many many years had a ton of fun and we enjoyed each other's family immensely. We will miss her dearly and God bless you folks your family and I know she's happily looking down upon you guys and taking care of you. Love you guys and Dorothy, love you, probably see you soon, your cousin Anthony

Anthony Joseph Mineo - February 01 at 02:41 PM