



## Dorothea Alonge

July 24, 1931 - December 1, 2023

North Greenbush, NY-Dororthea Alonge, 92, passed away peacefully on Friday, December 1, 2023. Born in Mineola, New York, Dorothea was the daughter of Theresa Grella and Dominic Ranieri.

Dorothea attended school on Long Island and in Philadelphia, PA graduating from Little Flower Catholic High School for Girls and later attended classes at Villanova University.

Dorothea was predeceased by her devoted and loving husband Gaetano Alonge, Jr. They met on a blind date in Philadelphia while Gaetano was home on leave from the Navy. They married shortly thereafter on January 23, 1954 and spent the next 63 years together building a wonderful life and a beautiful family. They led simple lives focusing all their love and attention on their immediate and extended families and friends. All Mom and Pop ever wanted was for their family to be with each other.

Dorothea was quite feisty and had a quick wit. She had many interests and talents including being an excellent cook, playing Mahjong and Gin Rummy. She was a very accomplished artist mastering a variety of needlework techniques including needlepoint, embroidery, counted thread, pulled work, knitting and block work. She was an active member of the local Embroiderers Guild, teaching adult education classes in the field for several years. Her

works number in the hundreds and will be a constant reminder of her advanced skills and love.

She is survived by her adoring children Therese Bennett (Thomas), Catherine Pettengill (Todd), Dorothea Sergovich (Vlado) and Gaetano Alonge, III (JoAnne). Dorothea cherished all her 10 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

Dorothea's faith was very strong, and she enjoyed her nightly prayers. She preferred to practice her faith quietly by always being kind to everyone, never speaking ill of anyone and always seeing the good in whomever she met.

The family would like to pay heartfelt thanks to the kind and devoted staffs at St. Peter's Hospital and the Van Rensselaer Manor.

To leave a message for the family please visit [www.LGFuneralHome.com](http://www.LGFuneralHome.com)

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Dorothea's name to the St. Peter's Hospital Foundation.

At her request, funeral services will be held privately.

# Tribute Wall

JA

“ Dear Therese, Cathy, Dorothea, and Guy- My sincerest sympathies on the passing of your mom. She was always very pleasant at Alonge family events or visits at her home. She was the last of that Alonge "generation." Jim Apicella

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**James Apicella** - December 04, 2023 at 07:38 PM

MR

“ My deepest sympathy to the family.  
Sincerely, Mary Riegert

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**Mary E Riegert** - December 04, 2023 at 01:23 PM

MK

“ Sorry to hear of Dorothea passing. She was kind and possessed a good sense of humor, and yes she was feisty. I am glad she lived a full life and got to spend time with all her grandchildren and great grandchildren. God Bless her. A classy lady. michael keyes

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**michael keyes** - December 03, 2023 at 09:28 PM

FR

“ I knew Dorothea as a member of the New York Capital District Chapter of the Embroiders Guild (NYCDC EGA). When I first joined in 2008 Dorothea was so very helpful and always patient as we tried new ideas and projects. She was always willing to help "newbies" and work on projects, such as Exhibits. She was always such an enjoyable lady.  
Fran Roscello

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**Frances Roscello** - December 03, 2023 at 11:08 AM

GE

“ My dad George is currently a resident of Van Rensselaer Manor. The “men’s” table in the cafeteria got crowded and he ended up at a table with Dorothea. Dad wants to pass along to her family she was very pleasant, you could tell she was a first class lady and he thoroughly enjoyed talking to her. Funny story, dad once said to her, you must have been a really good mother because your children pay such good attention to you. She answered him very quickly and respectfully and said, I AM a really good Mother. Dad says her response made him chuckled and he will always remember that conversation with her. Dad wanted to pass on to her family he considered her a real nice lady.

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**George** - December 02, 2023 at 04:02 PM