



## Dorothy Landry Rusczyk

July 27, 1942 - November 19, 2020

HARPSWELL-- Dorothy Landry Rusczyk was born on July 27, 1942 in Westbrook, ME to Irene and Leo Landry. After a 10 year struggle with Alzheimers, she died peacefully on November 19, 2020, at Midcoast Hospital with her husband at her side.

She was the youngest of 3 children, after brothers Raymond and Roger. She graduated from the Providence Hospital School of Nursing in Holyoke, MA in 1963. In 1964 she married Michael Rusczyk and together they raised three children, Matthew, Christine, and Jennifer.

To her friends and family, she was known as Dotty. Dotty was an avid reader of nonfiction and biographies. She also loved to quilt and knit. One of her greatest interests was genealogy; conducting extensive research on her family's ancestry.

Dotty was active in her church and took great pride in doing volunteer work. She was a longtime member of the church choir and volunteered at Mid Coastal Hospital and the Brunswick Food Bank. One of her proudest accomplishments is the volunteer work she did with the Daughters of Isabella. She chaired numerous committees and notably spearheaded an effort to send gift boxes to soldiers in Afghanistan. The soldiers had adopted a boys orphanage and needed items to give to the children. Dotty and her committee provided clothes, shoes, school supplies, and sports equipment.

Dotty loved to travel. One of her most memorable trips was a two week trip to Paris to celebrate her 25th wedding anniversary with Michael. Additionally, she enjoyed two European mother-daughter trips with Christine and Jennifer. They travelled throughout Italy, Ireland, and Scotland.

After earning an Associates Degree in Chemistry in 1981, Dotty embarked on a second career in research and development at Eastman Kodak. Upon

retirement, she and Michael moved into their dream home overlooking Harpswell Sound in

Maine.

Dorothy is survived by her husband Michael Rusczyk; her brother Raymond Landry; her children Matthew (Jennifer) Rusczyk, Christine (Michael) Cunningham, and Jennifer (James) Krause; and her grandchildren Christen Altemari Griffin (Cory), Lauren Altemari, and Katelyn Altemari (fiance Zackery Hutto), and great-grandchild Braden Griffin.

A period of visitation will be held on Tuesday, November 24, 2020 from 8:30am to 9:30am at the Westbrook Chapel of Dolby Blais & Segee, 35 Church St., Westbrook, ME. A Mass of Christian Burial will take place following the visitation at 10am at St. Anthony's of Padua, 268 Brown St., Westbrook, ME. Interment will follow at St. Hyacinth Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be sent to the Alzheimer's Association, ALZ.org.

# Cemetery

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## St. Hyacinth Cemetery

Stroudwater Street

Westbrook, ME, 04092

# Events

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**NOV** **Visitation** 08:30AM - 09:30AM

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Dolby, Blais & Segee -Westbrook Chapel  
35 Church Street, Westbrook, ME, US, 04092

**NOV** **Mass of Christian Burial** 10:00AM

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St. Anthony's of Padua  
268 Brown St., Westbrook, ME, US

# Comments

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“ Dear Mike & family, our heartaches to hear of her passing. Our memory of her will always be that of a kind, loving and generous soul. She was so very dear to many. Our thoughts & prayers are with you during this difficult time. Love & peace to ALL of you. Love Mark & Linda Lampron & family Lyman, Maine

**Mark & Linda Lampron** - December 13, 2020 at 07:15 PM

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“ Jen, your mother was a wonderful woman with so many accomplishments. May it bring you comfort to know she will rest near her favorite place in Maine. Our deepest sympathy to you and Jim.

**georgia** - November 22, 2020 at 04:34 PM

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“ I knew Dorothy many years ago at Marie Joseph Academy. She had a great sense of humor and it was always fun to be with her. My condolences to the entire family. My thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Mariette Lambert

**Mariette Lambert** - November 22, 2020 at 03:11 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. We are so sorry for your loss.



**Tim and Kim Granger** - November 22, 2020 at 09:35 AM

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“ Dear Michael, It was so nice to visit Dorothy and you the day that Roger and my wife Marilyn and I came to Harpswell to pick up the wood chipper that you had borrowed from Roger. We made had a nice day with you both and Roger and Dotty talked about their childhood, My wife and I send our blessing and prayers to you at this sad time.

Ralph and Marilyn Hatt Westbrook, Maine

**Ralph Hatt** - November 22, 2020 at 09:12 AM

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“ Jen - David and I are so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers - Love Melissa & David Dukes.



**Melissa Halsted** - November 21, 2020 at 10:57 PM