



Dorothy K. Ginter (nee Lesinski)

February 13, 1926 - September 10, 2025

September 10, 2025, Age 99, of West Seneca, NY, passed peacefully after a short illness. Beloved mother of Michael M.P. and the late Stephen Ryan Ginter; cherished grandmother of Jonathan and Marisa (Matt); great-grandmother of Angelo, Seaton, and Zeke; predeceased by siblings, Frank, Lottie, Agnes, Irene, Esther, and Henry; also loved and remembered by many nieces and nephews. Dorothy loved lottery tickets, the casino and dogs. A graveside service will be held on Tuesday September 16th at 11AM at St. Stanislaus Cemetery, 700 Pine Ridge Heritage Blvd., Cheektowaga. A Memorial Mass for Dorothy will be held on Saturday November 15th at 8am in St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church, 4263 St Francis Dr, Hamburg, NY 14075. Flowers gratefully declined. Donations may be made in Dorothy's name to SPCA serving Erie County. Arrangements by the DANIEL R. SMOLAREK FUNERAL HOME. Please leave condolences online at www.SmolarekCares.com

Previous Events

Graveside Service

SEP **16**. 11:00 AM (est)

St. Stanislaus Cemetery
700 Pine Ridge Heritage Blvd.
Cheektowaga, NY 14225

Please assemble at the grave; Sec: St Ann (across the bridge)

Memorial Mass

NOV **15**. 8:00 AM (ET)

St. Francis of Assisi RC Church
4263 St Francis Dr
Hamburg, NY 14075

<https://www.lakeshorecatholicfc.org/saint-francis>

Tribute Wall

BK

“ *BARBARA KOWALIK sent a virtual gift in memory of Dorothy K. Ginter (nee Lesinski)*



BARBARA KOWALIK - October 26, 2025 at 04:54 PM

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“ *BARBARA KOWALIK lit a candle in memory of Dorothy K. Ginter (nee Lesinski)*



BARBARA KOWALIK - October 26, 2025 at 04:53 PM

JM

“ *Sometimes I would play a song on the piano over the phone for Aunt Dorothy. She loved the song "Smile" by Charlie Chaplin. And of course, she loved the casino and would stay as long as possible!! Only the most pleasant thoughts come to mind when I think of Aunt Dorothy.*

Joe Mankowski - September 25, 2025 at 10:25 AM



“ When I was a little girl Aunt Dorothy was my favorite aunt. We lived only a couple blocks away and I would come and visit her all the time. I though she was so beautiful and she remained so until her death. Thank you for all the cherished memories and generosity you bestowed upon us during our hard times.

Michael, my family is so sorry for your loss, but always embrace and treasure the best memories. You have been blessed to have her a part of your life for so long. Rest in Peace Aunt Dorothy...you were so loved.

Janice Piechowiak - September 15, 2025 at 01:58 PM

SS

“ I remember when Dorothy was my Pinochle partner at Jrs. She loved her cards. Great woman. She will be greatly missed.

Sharon Szary - September 14, 2025 at 06:11 PM

EB

“ Dear Michael, How blessed you were to have your Mother for so many years. My she rest peacefully now in the arms of Jesus. May you be comforted with many loving memories you two shared. God bless you and your family as you mourn her passing. Fondly~Elaine M. Bonare

Elaine M. Bonare - September 12, 2025 at 06:55 PM

RP

“ Michael, I'm sorry for your loss. She rests in peace now. Dick Piechowiak.

Richard Piechowiak - September 12, 2025 at 04:37 PM

BK

“ I hope our auntie likes our yellow candle!



BARBARA KOWALIK - September 12, 2025 at 03:46 PM

BK

“ My aunt Dorothy was a hero. I would visit her in her apt. At Christmas, whenever, and she would always have her apt. Lit up like a Christmas tree. I loved the way she was with her son's, her dogs, her neighbors, and family. Always generous! I can't wait to see h



BARBARA KOWALIK - September 12, 2025 at 12:34 PM

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And I want to add that she was a terrific human being, and a classy lady! 😊

BARBARA KOWALIK - September 12, 2025 at 03:44 PM

PR

“ Aunt Dorothy, I know you're resting in peace up there with Stephen and the many dogs you loved in your lifetime. I loved your sense of humor and will fondly remember birthday trips in your 90's with me, Linda, and you! Love Patsy



Patricia Rhodes - September 12, 2025 at 12:05 PM

PR

Of course, the BD trips were to the casino!

patricia rhodes - September 12, 2025 at 01:22 PM

LI

“ *Dorothy adored both Angels and animals, and today she soars among the Angels, once again able to see and watch over us all. □
Linda*

Linda - September 11, 2025 at 10:48 PM

DM

“ *Aunt Dorothy, I will miss all the cute little doggies you had and loved so much! Til the end you were always a pretty lady. Our get togethers were always pleasant especially at Christmas, even though I'm in Florida we managed to still see each other. God bless you. Love, Darlene*

Darlene Mankowski - September 11, 2025 at 08:09 PM

CS

Dear Cousin Michael: I join in your sadness on the loss of your Mom, and I join in wishing you peace, comfort and the blessing of having Aunt Dorothy in your life to the awesome age of 99💕 Growing up I used to think your Mom was so beautiful and she was always so nice to us kids. May she rest in the peace of our merciful Savior. Amen. Love you Cousin. □ Tina

Christine M. Simpson - September 14, 2025 at 03:02 AM