



Rita A. Dotter

April 12, 1939 - January 6, 2024

Rita A. Dotter, affectionately known as "Mimi," peacefully passed away on January 6, 2024. She was a devoted wife, loving mother, cherished grandmother, dear sister, and a beloved aunt. Rita was born on April 12, 1939 to James and Catherine Media. For 66 beautiful years, Rita shared an unwavering bond of love and commitment with her beloved husband Buddie Dotter. Together, they created a lifetime of memories, weathering the highs and lows with grace and resilience. Rita's legacy is most profoundly felt in the hearts of her children, Suzette (Dean) Masters, Buddie II (Anne) Dotter, and Craig (Danielle) Dotter. She was the epitome of a nurturing and supportive mother, always offering love, wisdom, and unwavering encouragement. Her role as a grandmother brought immense joy to her life. Rita took great pride in the accomplishments and joys of her grandchildren, Christina (David), Kyle (Parichat), Kendall (Shawntel), Nicole (Jason), Benjamin, and Andrew. Each one held a special place in her heart, and her love and guidance will forever resonate in their lives. Rita's warmth extended beyond her immediate family, embracing her dear sister, Judith Staelgraeve and the numerous nieces and nephews who were fortunate to call her family. Her kindness, generosity and caring nature created a ripple effect of love that touched all who were fortunate enough to know her. Rita's legacy will endure in the hearts of those who knew and loved her. A visitation of Rita's life will be held at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home 8459 Hall Rd. (3Blks E. of Van Dyke) Utica, on Wednesday (January 10th) from 2pm - 8pm, with a rosary at 6pm. Funeral

services will take place on Thursday (January 11th) at 10:30am at the funeral home. Interment will be held at St. Lawrence Cemetery, Utica Michigan.

Cemetery Details

St. Lawrence Cemetery

Auburn Road
Utica, MI 48317

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 10. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home
8459 Hall Road
Utica, MI 48317
(586) 731-2411
utica@sullivanfh.com
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

Rosary

JAN 10. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

JAN 11. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Rita A. Dotter.*



January 10, 2024 at 09:36 AM



“ *Carey A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rita A. Dotter.*

Carey A. - January 09, 2024 at 08:02 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Rita A. Dotter.*



January 09, 2024 at 12:48 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Rita A. Dotter.*



January 08, 2024 at 12:10 PM

AN

“ Adam and Erin Neill planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rita A. Dotter.

Adam and Erin Neill - January 08, 2024 at 12:10 PM

LF

“ Rita beautiful lady inside and out, enjoyed working with her all those years at Kmart! Rest in peace sweet Rita💕💕

LouAnn Friedli - January 07, 2024 at 11:16 AM

SD

It was such a pleasure to work with Rita at K-Mart for 18 years! She was a wonderful lady to work for. Many prayers for her family. May you find peace knowing she is home with the Lord. Love to all. Shelley 150!

Shelley Dybalski - January 09, 2024 at 06:41 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Rita A. Dotter.



January 07, 2024 at 10:24 AM

CD

“ Christina DeDonatis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rita A. Dotter.

Christina DeDonatis - January 07, 2024 at 10:24 AM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Rita A. Dotter.



January 06, 2024 at 11:03 PM



“ Our sweet and beautiful Aunt Rita’s loss is felt deeply. My father, Leo Dotter, is crushed by her loss. The loving grace she always imparted in his children made her an endearing and indelible force in our lives. Buddie, Leo Jr. Floyd, Danny and myself, Christine were forever changed by her gentle touch and encouraging words. Words cannot express the loss we feel. She touched us and loved all of her great nieces and nephews who are too many to list here. We are comforted that she will exist in our hearts and in our memories and in the energy that surrounds and holds us all until eternity.

We will feel your loss for the rest of our lives but be comforted that you are now part of the universe that circles ourselves, ourselves, our children and grandchildren and the generations yet to come.

You were a gift beyond price and a blessing beyond words.

The Dotter family of Texas, South Carolina and the Dotter-Hamilton family of Colorado.

Our prayers are for comfort and healing to all of your precious family and you are very much joined in your sadness at this loss of your matriarch and foundation.

Christine Dotter Hamilton - January 06, 2024 at 10:18 PM



“ Always loved working the service desk with her, she taught me so much. Kathy Franklin

Kathy Franklin - January 06, 2024 at 07:26 PM

JM

“ You were always so sweet and kind. Will miss you. Judy Marcks

Judy Marcks - January 06, 2024 at 06:22 PM