



## Dorothy Jean Rackouski

December 19, 1930 - December 16, 2023

Dorothy Jean Rackouski, of Winfield, IN, passed away on December 16, 2023. She was born in Chicago, IL, on December 19, 1930, to Edward Hamer and Lillian (Burgoyne) Hamer. Dorothy's father was a well-known builder in their hometown of Mount Greenwood (Chicago, IL). She married Walter Rackouski in July of 1949. Along with his father-in-law, Walter proudly built the home the couple resided in, and reared their three children: Bruce Michael (Barb), Sandra Denise Scalise (Joe) and Walter Scott (Judy).

Dorothy was a loving mother, skilled seamstress, and wonderful cook. Later in life, Dorothy assisted Sandi in her decorating business.

Walter and Dorothy moved to Lakes of the Four Seasons in December of 2011. Walter passed the following year. Dorothy remained in Lakes of the Four Seasons. She stayed active by daily walks with her beloved dog, "Bonnie," and monthly Garden Club meetings.

Although she loved all of her grandchildren and great grandchildren, she especially enjoyed the numerous family get togethers and vacations with her granddaughters: Jessica (Shawn) Crane and Lauren (Jonathan) Almaguer, as well as her great grandchildren: Kennedy, Keira, and Greyson (Crane) and Saige (Almaguer).

Dorothy's memory will live on in the hearts of all those who loved her. A private Celebration of Life will be held in January 2024. Burns Funeral Home & Crematory, Crown Point, IN, entrusted with arrangements. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ Although I only knew Dorothy a short while, we instantly became friends. I enjoyed our many meaningful conversations. I could tell she was young at heart and didn't like not being able to do everything herself. She loved and was so proud of her family. My favorite day was when we went for a car ride and ice cream and I gave her a grand tour of Crown Point and shared my younger days with her. I am so thankful our lives intertwined. I miss her and treasure the impact she had on my heart.

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