



## Dorothy Jane Haley

April 7, 1923 - September 7, 2024

Dorothy was born on April 7th, 1923, in Cleveland, OH. She passed on Saturday, September 7th, 2024, in Naples, FL, at the age of 101. Her life span reflects her determination, toughness and persistence which resonates throughout her life story. She was the oldest of 6 children born to Leo and Margarite Ryan. She is survived by her sister, Rosemary Berry, five of her six children (Matthew III, Timothy, David, Bryan and Rosemary Lambert) 15 grandchildren and 27 great grandchildren. She is pre-deceased by her husband of 64 years, Matthew M. Haley, Jr., and their son Gregory.

Dorothy met Mathew in high school. They married in 1943, as Matt prepared to serve his country in the Pacific Ocean during World War II. Upon his triumphant return they began to build their family around their strong Irish Catholic faith, values & heritage. She worked primarily as a home maker raising their 6 children.

In 1970, they moved from their lives and roots in OH to Naples, FL where they purchased The Villager Shop Men's Wear on 5th Avenue South, and eventually expanded that to include The Captain's Closet in Tin City.

Dorothy loved her family and was so proud of her children, grandchildren and great children. She loved to knit and bake. She is famous for her famous carrot cake, which became a critically acclaimed dessert at Alice

Sweetwater's Bar & Grill, a long-standing restaurant in Naples, FL owned and operated by her son Greg prior to his passing and remains a family business.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held on Wednesday, September 18th, at 11:30 am at Our Lady of Light Catholic Community in Estero, FL followed by her burial in the Church Memorial Garden where she will be interred next to her loving husband and son.

The family asks that, in lieu of flowers, your thoughtfulness should be directed to Our Lady of Light Catholic Community or Avow Hospice of Naples in her memory.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home, Family Owned Since 1978.

# Cemetery Details

## Our Lady of Light Memorial Garden

19680 Cypress View Dr.  
Ft. Myers, FL 33967

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

SEP **18**. 11:30 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Light Catholic Community  
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