



Dorothy A. Benke

March 11, 1926 - August 26, 2010

Dorothy A. Benke, 84, of Monroe Twp., died August 26, 2010 at Raritan Bay Medical Center in Old Bridge. Born and raised in Jersey City, she lived in Linthicum Heights, Maryland for 35 years, before returning to New Jersey 5 years ago. Mrs. Benke was a Past President of Friendship Squares Square Dancing, an active member of Friendship Quilters, and a longtime communicant of St. Philip Neri RC Church, all in Maryland. Mrs. Benke was predeceased by her parents, Anna & Stephen Csaklos, and her sister, Barbara Kowalewski. She is survived by her husband of 65 years, John Benke, her daughter and son in law, Judy & Frank Brady, her son and daughter in law, John & Jill Benke, and her daughter and son in law, Diane & David Zile. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Kevin Brady, Brian Brady, Adrienne Weir, Philip Benke, and Scott Benke, her great grandchildren, Jackson Brady and Benjamin Weir, and nieces & nephews. Visitation will be held from 2-4 & 7-9pm, Monday, August 30 at the Michael Hegarty Funeral Home, 3377 Rt. 9, Old Bridge, NJ. A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered from St. Ambrose RC Church, Old Bridge, NJ on Tuesday, August 31 at 10:15am. Entombment will follow to Holy Cross Cemetery, North Arlington, NJ.

Tribute Wall



“ Dorothy A. Benke

October 05, 2023 at 11:16 AM



“ John and family, We are so sorry for your loss. We will always remember Dorothy's smile and the way she always made you feel welcome no matter how new you were when entering the square dance community. We had so many good times with both of you at Friendship Squares and we will cherish those memories forever. You both will be forever in our hearts. Love Mark & Tammy Scott

Mark & Tammy Scott - September 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Judy & Family, Our condolences and prayers to you and yours. Mrs. Benke will be missed by so many. She was a very warm lady, with a smile that lit up the room. God Bless, Debbie & Lisa (RCH)

September 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Mr. Banke, I am so sorry for your loss. Mrs. Banke was a wonderful and gracious woman. In your Linthicum days, I remember her as a good role model for her children and for friends of the family. As a friend of John Jr., I recall a good Christian woman who was kind to all. May the Lord give her eternal rest and reward and your family peace. John F. Poland

September 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ I just learned of Dorothy's passing while searching the internet for a different reference to my quilt guild, Friendship Quilters of Linthicum. Dorothy was one of the first friends I made when I joined the guild in the early 90's. She was such a sweet and friendly lady and I always enjoyed talking to her--and teasing her about her cute 'Jersey' accent. Before she moved she donated some of the contents of her sewing room to the guild. I will notify the guild of her passing. I'm sure many members have fond memories of her, as I have.

Allison Bachmann - September 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ A lovely lady and friend. Our Lord blessed her with a long life and wonderful family. May His comfort be with you, and the sure knowledge of a blessed reunion in our Father's mansions.

Jessica & Kurt Wood - September 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ My condolences to all of you. My mom Ann Hicko, has been friends with your mom, and wife for many years. She has spoken fondly of Dorothy throughout the years, I feel as if I knew her, and all of you. She will be missed. God Bless you and be with her on her journey her home. The pictures were touching. Judy, thank you for taking the time to call my mom throughout this. I appreciate it, as does she. Love, Donna Hicko

Donna Hicko - August 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you. I will always remember Mrs. Benke's warm smile and the way she filled every conversation with excitement. She shared her wonderful enthusiasm with everyone.

Kathy Devigne - August 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ To the Benke family our sincere condolences, We knew Dorothy and John for many years in Linthicum and have missed them so much since they moved away. We think of them often. Dorothy was such a dear!

Joanne and David Lotz - August 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ We have so many wonderful memories of our times together. Those memories we will pass down to Benjamin and all your other great grandchildren. You have touched so many people with your life and marriage to Grandad. Your memory will live on in our hearts. Wish we could be there in person...Love, Adrienne (Benke), Caleb and Benjamin Weir

Adrienne Weir - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ In memory of my Dear Mother, we love you and will miss you always. You will live in our hearts and prayers forever.

Judy & Frank Brady - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DZ

“ Eternal rest, grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace... Amen!

Diane & David Zile - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM