



# **Dorothy Joyce Slabosz**

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**D**orothy Joyce Slabosz of Fort Myers, FL passed away peacefully at her home on April 6, 2016 at the age of 77 after battling cancer for eight years. A memorial service mass will be held on June 4, 2016 at 10:00 am at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Fort Myers. This funeral mass will also be for her husband, Joseph, who passed away on February 8, 2016. Memorials: Hope Hospice Dorothy, lovingly known by her husband as Dottie, was born February 10, 1939 in Berwyn, IL, the daughter of Vincent P. Mirtich and Frances Marie Sardock. She married Joseph P. Slabosz on October 15, 1960 in Berwyn, IL and shared 55 years together. After graduating from high school Dorothy worked as a secretary for Sunbeam. After marrying Joe, Dorothy spent her days as a devoted wife and mother to four children. Dorothy had a passion for music and dancing. For many years she and Joe would square dance and attend square dance conventions. More recently, she spent ten years singing with The Legends' Choraliers. Dorothy and her husband were members of St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Fort Myers. Because not all of their family lived near them, they purchased an RV so that they had a way of staying connected with these loved ones. After retiring from RV trips, most of Dorothy's time was spent being with her family and taking care of her grandchildren. She always made sure everyone was taken care of with her well-loved cooking. Surviving are her four children, Cindy Rice and her husband Bill of Antioch, IL, Dave Slabosz and his wife Heather of Fort Myers, FL, Beth Wortkotter and her husband Steve of Marietta, GA, Janet Griggs and her husband Jack of Fort Myers, FL; and grandchildren, Derek, Brittany, Brandon, Frances, Bridget, Parker and Dawson. The Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home has been entrusted with the care of Dorothy. Condolences may be left to the family at [www.fortmyersmemorial.com](http://www.fortmyersmemorial.com).



## Tribute Wall

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DS

**Derek Slabosz** posted:

My memories of grandma will always be bright and family-oriented. Grandma was the best at making her family feel at home. Her morals, values, and convictions were true and her own. She was intensely loyal to her husband, family and friends. The world would be a better place with more people like her. Grandma, I miss and love you very much. Love, Derek

April 29 at 1:38 PM

JG

**Janet Griggs** posted:

Thank you, Lisa for your unwavering and continuous support throughout all of this! We may not have said it to you as often as it was thought, but we have truly appreciated you and all of your help, guidance, and loving hand! Xoxo Janet

April 27 at 5:07 AM

JG

**Janet Griggs** posted:

Thank you, Lori! We really do appreciate all the love, support, and prayers as this has been such a difficult time, especially losing both parents so close! Xoxo Janet

April 27 at 5:03 AM

JG

**Janet Griggs** posted:

What beautiful memories you share that make such a wonderful tribute to our mom! Thank you, Carole...for being such a wonderful, caring, and supportive friend over the last 24 years! We all think of you, Rich, and the girls as family and my parents both adored you to pieces! Xoxo Janet

April 27 at 5:00 AM

CZ

**Carole Zeltman** posted:

What a bright light Dorothy was! Being friends with Janet and the extended Slabosz crew over the years has been such an honor. Dorothy, with that angelic face that she passed down to her kids was such a caring and compassionate lady. I could tell she adored her family and made them her top priority. What a gift that she invested her time and love into the most important people in her life. I will miss her joyful laugh, her welcoming spirit and her caring smile. Much love and deepest sympathy as you grieve her loss and celebrate her and Joe's lives.

April 26 at 12:01 PM



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LP

**Lori Pask** posted:

Janet, I was so sorry to hear of your mothers passing. A mothers love is like no other. I will keep you and your family in my prayers.Lori Pask

April 25 at 3:33 PM

LI

**Lisa & Jim** posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Joyce Slabosz

April 13 at 2:20 PM

PW

**Paul Wozniak** posted:

I always remember Beth's Mom from my early days at CBSI.....she always had a smile and was always super friendly. She was a proud Mom and helped raised a beautiful family.

April 12 at 4:02 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Dorothy by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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