



Darlene M. "Dolly" Jachym

January 15, 1930 - January 23, 2026

Darlene M. "Dolly" Jachym (nee Stitak), age 96, of Lorain, passed away peacefully on the evening of Friday January 23, 2026.

Dolly was born in Lorain on January 15, 1930 and remained a life-long resident of the city; she was a 1948 graduate of Clearview High School.

Dolly was the heart of her family - a devoted mother and grandmother who set the standard for love, strength, and grace. The proud matriarch of seven children—six daughters and one son—she built a legacy that grew to include twelve grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren, each one touched by her care and wisdom. Truly special in every sense, she changed countless lives simply by being herself, offering guidance, laughter, and unconditional love. She lived by the sayings "seven gets you to heaven" and "you get more bees with honey than with vinegar," lessons she didn't just speak but embodied every day through kindness, patience, and faith. Her devotion to family was unwavering, and she was the glue that held them together. Though she will be deeply missed, the standard she set and the love she poured into those whose lives were most important to her will live on for generations

A longtime parishioner of St. Stanislaus Catholic Church in Lorain, Dolly joined the kitchen staff of the John J. Gluvna Funeral Chapel in 1982 where she assisted in the preparation of more than fifteen hundred post-funeral

fellowship luncheons prior to her retirement in 2001.

Dolly leaves her son Frank Jachym (Christina), and daughters Pam Jachym, Lisa Gasper (Allen), Mary Margaret Jachym, Melanie Lucas, Deidrie Sedivy (John), and Monica Smith (Douglas). Additional survivors include grandchildren Michelle Peterson, Melissa Wagoner, Nicole Cornwell, Mark Whalen, Daniel Lucas, John Lucas, John Sedivy, Leigha Sedivy, Douglas Smith, II, Andrew Smith, Veronica Mediavilla, Kimberly Boesken, and fourteen great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Walter F. Jachym in 2014, father Andrew T. Stitak in 1972, mother, Margaret Stitak (nee Novak) in 2004, along with brothers Jarrett Stitak in 2001 and Andrew Alan “Andy” Stitak in 2017.

Visitation and funeral services will take place privately for the family in the Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel. Entombment will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Contributions in Dolly’s memory are encouraged to the Salvation Army – 2506 Broadway, Lorain, OH 44052.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

555 N Ridge Rd
Lorain, OH 44053
<https://clecem.org/Cemeteries/CalvaryLorain.aspx>

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Darlene M. "Dolly" Jachym.*



January 29 at 03:18 PM



“ *Dear Melanie and family, my sincere sympathy on the passing of your beautiful mother. She was lucky to have all of you caring for her at home. The gates to heaven welcomed her with open arms. Rest in peace. My thoughts are with you during this difficult time. Kathy C*

Kathy Costantino - January 29 at 11:41 AM



“ *So sad to hear of your Mother's passing. May GOD grant you peace. During this difficult time. My long ago neighbors . Many great days on 26th street. Pray everyone else is doing well. James Monagon*

James A Monagon - January 28 at 05:39 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Darlene M. "Dolly" Jachym.*



January 28 at 03:31 PM

KB

“ Our deepest sympathy to Monica, Doug, the boys, and your entire family. Hugs and prayers to you during this difficult time.

Kim & John Bremke

Kimberly Bremke - January 27 at 01:14 PM



“ She was such a bright star in all of are lives. Thank you girls for always being by here side. Prayers for all of you 🙏❤️

Chris Wetzel - January 25 at 01:22 PM

KA

“ She was so lucky to have all you girls around to help out and visit. What a blessing to take care of our moms. Dolly was so sweet and hospitable. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Kristen A. - January 25 at 12:52 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Darlene M. "Dolly" Jachym.



January 25 at 10:51 AM

GH

“ Gloria Hill lit a candle in memory of Darlene M. "Dolly" Jachym



Gloria Hill - January 25 at 05:14 AM

MT

My prayers go out to the Jachym family. I was sorry to hear of Dolly's passing. She was such a lovely woman.

Marlene Tucker - February 15 at 10:11 PM

GH

“ *My heart breaks for you all. I know the feeling all too well. Her beautiful smile lives in All of you! Know she has always been a Angel. Here on earth and in Heaven. 🙏 prayers during your grieving days. 🙏 thinking of you ALL.*

Gloria Hill - January 25 at 05:13 AM

CN

Dearest Mary my formal classmate and forever friend ❤️ 🙏 I'm so sorry that you lost your mom 😞 You and your brother and sisters had the privilege of sharing her 🙏 for so long and you were ALL blessed 🤗 I hope and pray that God gives you and your family comfort and to know that she is a no more pain and she is resting sincerely and all my love Carmen Silvia (Figuroa) Navarro ❤️

Carmen Silvia Navarro - January 25 at 01:52 PM

RS

Dear Family, What a beautiful picture of a truly beautiful lady. May God ease your pain with the knowledge of how she is now resting in the arms of Jesus and that you have no regrets regarding your love of and care for her.

Rosemary Schuler - January 30 at 01:36 PM