



## Mrs. Dorothy Edwina Gallagher

December 1, 1940 - March 1, 2019

Dorothy Edwina Gallagher (Dot), age 78, of Roswell, passed away on March 1, 2019. She was born December 1, 1940 in Staten Island, NY, the daughter of Dorothy and George Swanton. Dot is preceded in death by her brother George and her mother and father. She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Alexander Gallagher; brother's-in-law, Jack Gallagher of Davenport, IA and Tom Gallagher of Mahwah, NJ; sister-in-law, Lynn Swanton of King George, VA; son, Ed (Colleen) Gallagher of Cumming, GA; daughter, Linda (Michael) DeCamp of Ellijay, GA; son, Mike (Lynn) Gallagher of Arlington, MA; son, Ron (Margaret) Gallagher of Norcross, GA; daughter, Debbie Gallagher of Roswell, GA; nieces, Pam, Sue (Burt), Pam; nephews, John (Kristin) and Stephen (Sharon); grandchildren, Hayley (Amar), Sarah (Bryceson), Jamie, Danny (Jessica), Elizabeth (Ben), Jacob (Caitlin), Eli, Sam, Ty, Sam, Heather, Packy, Rachel, Josh, Shaun, Angela (AJ), Jeremy and Jessica and great-grandchildren, Naveen, Jackson, Simon and Leo.

Dot served as the parish bookkeeper for more than 35 years at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church before retiring last year. Dot cherished the community of St. Thomas Aquinas and immersed herself in its diversity. She attended Masses in Spanish and worked in the kitchen during the festivities surrounding the celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe. She celebrated her Quinceañera not at age 15, when most girls do, but at age 70! Dot was involved in a number of other parish activities, including St Vincent DePaul

and the night shelter for homeless men in Atlanta, but her most prized parish activity was the annual mission trip to West Virginia. Every June she drove her truck to Whitesville to work in the kitchen, feeding the dozens of teens and adults while they ministered to the area's poor. Wherever she was, Dot was feeding people. Around the office, that meant weekly goodies - homemade rhubarb pie, carmelita cookies and other tasty treats. And she also fed the spirits of people she encountered with laughter. Her office at St. Thomas Aquinas was a homage to the world of comic strips, where an endless flow of cartoons and lampoons helped lighten the day. This was Dot's way of reminding us to not take ourselves too seriously - one reason she kept herself and those around her young at heart.

Visitation will be held on Friday, March 8th from 5PM - 8PM at Northside Chapel, 12050 Crabapple Rd, Roswell, GA 30075.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, March 9th at 11AM at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, 535 Rucker Road, Alpharetta, GA 30004 followed by a reception in the parish hall. Interment will be at Green Lawn Cemetery.

Dot supported many charitable organizations, so in lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her honor to any of the following charities: Whispering Hope - Women's Resource and Pregnancy Center ([www.supportwhisperinghope.org](http://www.supportwhisperinghope.org)), Covenant House Georgia Inc - Opening Doors for Homeless Youth ([www.covenanthousega.org](http://www.covenanthousega.org)) or Appalachian Trail Conservancy ([www.appalachiantrail.org](http://www.appalachiantrail.org)).

# Cemetery Details

## Green Lawn Cemetery

10993 Alpharetta Hwy  
Roswell, GA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 8. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory  
12050 Crabapple Road  
Roswell, GA

## Funeral Service

MAR 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church  
535 Rucker Road  
Alpharetta, GA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Dorothy Edwina Gallagher*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *Deacon AL, I am sorry that I can not come to celebrate "Dots" life. As I read her obit, I can understand why you had so many jokes and stories. I wish that I had known her as she was a wonder wife and mother to your family.*

*Deacon Mike Jones "class of 87"*

**Mike Jones** - March 08, 2019 at 10:08 AM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dorothy Edwina Gallagher.*



March 07, 2019 at 11:49 PM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dorothy Edwina Gallagher.*



March 07, 2019 at 08:41 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dorothy Edwina Gallagher.



March 06, 2019 at 03:49 PM



“ *Kelly Products/ Kelly Registration Systems* purchased the *Rose Remembrance* for the family of Mrs. Dorothy Edwina Gallagher.



**Kelly Products/ Kelly Registration Systems** - March 06, 2019 at 01:04 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dorothy Edwina Gallagher.



March 06, 2019 at 10:54 AM



“ *Leamon and Katie Scott* purchased the *Pink Tribute Spray* for the family of Mrs. Dorothy Edwina Gallagher.



**Leamon and Katie Scott** - March 05, 2019 at 07:25 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dorothy Edwina Gallagher.



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March 05, 2019 at 12:58 PM



“ Maria Lozano lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Edwina Gallagher



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maria lozano - March 04, 2019 at 11:08 PM



*My family and I, wants to thank, Mrs. Dorothy family for sharing this Angel with our Spanish community, God needed an angel and he choose a very nice one. It was very nice to see her in the Spanish mass talking and sharing with all the community, We will miss her, but we know she is in a better place. Family and friends are in our prayers god bless you all.*

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maria lozano - March 04, 2019 at 11:25 PM