



## Dorothy L. Alberti

December 1, 1925 - March 18, 2025

Dorothy L. Alberti, 99, entered into her eternal rest on March 18, 2025 at Evergreen Assisted Living in Kingsford.

Dorothy, a longtime resident of Quinnesec, was born December 1, 1925, in Vulcan to the late James and Louise (Tippett) Recla. At the age of 2, Dorothy's family moved to Quinnesec where she resided for the next 95 years. Dorothy's early years were very humble. Even in her last days, her mind was sharp, and she clearly recalled her childhood days during the Great Depression, standing in lines for food and leaving school in 7th grade because of a lack of shoes. In 1941, at the age of 16, she met Robert Alberti at the roller rink on Cedar Street in Iron Mountain. Robert joined the US Army in WWII and sent her an engagement ring while he was stationed in Oregon. Dorothy accepted, boarded a Greyhound bus, and married Robert on January 28, 1943. Upon Robert's leaving for Germany in late 1944, Dorothy returned to Lansing where she stayed with her mother until Robert's return from Germany in January of 1946. It was a joyful reunion and Robert finally met his daughter, Sharon, who was already 6 months old. Robert and Dorothy welcomed two additional children, Robert, Jr. and Chris and became fixtures in the town of Quinnesec. Dorothy went back to school, receiving her GED and becoming a certified nurse's aid at the age of 39. She spent many years working at Dickinson County Hospital in the maternity ward and always spoke fondly of her time there. Robert and Dorothy loved their Catholic faith and

lived lives devoted to Jesus, extending His love to their neighbors and all those whose lives they touched. Robert preceded Dorothy in death in 2004 and Dorothy remained in Quinnesec in the home they had built together on Bluff Street until her move to Evergreen in 2022 where she enjoyed several special friendships.

Dorothy leaves behind her children, Sharon (John) Dougoveto and Robert, Jr. (Grace) Alberti; daughter-in-law, Sheryl Alberti; sister, Marian Ruhf; brother, William Recla; step-sister, Beverly (James) Leslie; grandchildren, Walter (Kimberly) Dougoveto, Andrea Dougoveto, Angela Oller, Maria (Tom) Erickson, Anna Condit, Joseph (Mary Ellen) Dougoveto, Aubrey (Brent) Alberti, Paul Alberti, Arthur Alberti, Dorothy Alberti, Patsy Alberti, and Robert Alberti; and 29 great grandchildren.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband, Robert; son, Chris Alberti; grandson, Christopher Alberti; grandsons-in-law, Luke Condit and Shane Hawkins; brother, Richard (Florence) Recla; sister, Charlotte (Richard) Secord; brother-in-law, Dean Ruhf; and great granddaughter, Therese Dougoveto.

A visitation for Dorothy will be held Sunday, March 23, 2025 from 5pm-7pm at Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. A Mass of Christian burial will be held Monday, March 24, 2025 at 11:00am at Immaculate Conception Church in Iron Mountain with Fr. Mike Chenier presiding. A luncheon will follow immediately after Mass. Burial will be at Quinnesec Cemetery.

Condolences to the family of Dorothy Alberti may be expressed online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com)

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron

Mountain with the arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Quinnesec Cemetery

Menominee Street  
Quinnesec, MI 49876

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **23**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home  
901 Carpenter Avenue  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801  
(906) 774-7676  
nashfuneralhome@gmail.com  
<https://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com/>

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAR **24**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
500 Blaine St.  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

# Tribute Wall

JM

“ I did not know Dorothy but I know son Chris; I taught with him at KHS. I knew several of the grand children many I had in class. I knew Patsy and Paul in other ways besides the classroom. I thoroughly enjoyed them at KHS. My sympathies to all of you.

*John Meyer*

---

**John Meyer** - March 22, 2025 at 08:17 PM

CG

“ Apologies for the typo on spelling for the Alberti name.

---

**Cynthia Gordon** - March 22, 2025 at 04:02 PM

CG

“ Dear Alberto Family, I worked with this wonderful lady in the maternity ward in the mid 60's. She was the hardest worker, most energetic, dependable co-worker. There aren't enough words to describe how we all enjoyed and respected her. My most sincere sympathy you all. Cynthia Gordon

---

**Cynthia and Rod Gordon** - March 22, 2025 at 03:58 PM

AS

“ To know Dorothy, was to love Dorothy. She had an amazing outlook on life, even when faced with the toughest challenges. She loved everyone, treated everyone fairly and with true kindness always. I got to know Dorothy through two separate jobs I had, both located in Quinnesec, and told her every time I saw her that I aspire to be her when "I grow up". I meant that, and will keep with me her great sense of humor, her amazing smile, and her love for others. I feel blessed to have known Dorothy and for a time be able to interact with her almost daily. I will keep her and her family in my prayers.



---

**Adrienne Savord** - March 20, 2025 at 11:13 AM

DM

Very nicely written Dorothy was a great person those who knew her loved her. Our family loved to hear her stories, even if we had heard them before.

---

**Dana Michaud** - March 23, 2025 at 11:54 AM

TO

“ 1 file added to the album Dorothy



---

**tomerrickson** - March 19, 2025 at 01:13 PM