



Dorothy Boisseau, formerly of Ayer

August 13, 1946 - December 10, 2024

PROVIDENCE, RI / AYER: Dorothy Boisseau, 78, of Providence, formerly of Ayer, and Warwick, RI died unexpectedly at her home, Tuesday, December 10, 2024.

Dorothy was born in Ayer, August 13, 1946, a daughter of the late Paul L. and Gertrude (Kidder) Boisseau and was a 1964 graduate of Ayer High School. She continued her education at Burdett Business College in Boston.

Following a brief period where she taught in the Ayer Elementary School, Dorothy changed her career direction and for the next forty years worked as a legal secretary for several firms including Atty. Carl Black in Ayer and the Boston firms of Kline & Gordon, Hinkley & Allen and Peabody & Brown. Her most recent position before her 2011 retirement was with the State of Rhode Island Housing Authority.

An accomplished trumpet player, Dorothy played with the Warwick Symphony Orchestra for over 25 years before associating with the Quincy Symphony Orchestra and the "Olde Kids on The Block".

She was an avid quilter, loved animals and was a daily communicant and lector at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Providence.

Dorothy leaves her brother, Paul L. Boisseau of Shirley; her longtime

companion, Leonard Epstein of Mansfield; her longtime friend of over 50 years, Eileen Thomas of Providence and several nieces and nephews.

She was the sister of the late Chief Arthur J. Boisseau, Ayer PD and Barbara Boisseau of Groton who passed away last year.

Dorothy's family will receive relatives and friends at calling hours from 4-7 PM Tuesday, December 17, 2024 at the Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Road, Rte 2A Ayer. www.andersonfuneral.com

Dorothy's funeral Mass will be celebrated 11 AM Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at St. Anthony's Church, 14 Phoenix Street, Shirley. Kindly meet at church on Wednesday morning. Interment will follow the Mass at Woodlawn Cemetery, Ayer.

In Dorothy's memory please consider a gift to Quincy Symphony Orchestra, P.O Box 2, Wollaston MA 02170

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Cemetery

Harvard Road
Ayer, MA 01432
info@andersonfuneral.com

Previous Events

Calling Hours

DEC 17. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home
25 Fitchburg Road
Ayer, MA 01432
info@andersonfuneral.com

Funeral Mass

DEC 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

St Anthony of Padua Church
14 Phoenix St
Shirley, MA 01464-2507
(978) 772-2414

Tribute Wall

SM

“ So sorry to hear of Dorothy’s passing. We were involved with her when she did theater at Bull Run in Shirley, MA. We shared many fun times together.
Our sincere condolences.
Susie and Joe Michaud

Susan Michaud - January 06, 2025 at 11:55 AM

RA

“ So sorry to hear of Dottie's passing. Some of the fun times at the High School will always be remembered fondly. May she rest in peace.

Rosanne (Tessier) Allen

Rosanne (Tessier) Allen - December 22, 2024 at 12:02 PM

PK

“ I am so sad learning of Dori’s passing. We were great friends in high school. We use to do this silly thing...we would put the tip of our tongue on the roof of our mouth then talk saying we had peanut butter stuck on the roof of our mouth! So many fun silly times with a wonderful woman. ❤️ rest in peace sweet girl.

Patricia Krauchune - December 14, 2024 at 10:06 AM

BB

“ Dottie was a friend and companion in high school. My condolences to the family and her friends. She will be missed.



Barbara Becker - December 12, 2024 at 07:02 PM

JB

*I am so sad to hear of Dori's passing.
I was so blessed to have met her on the Quilt Patch River Boat Cruise.
Then got to spend time with her in Soap Lake, Washington at Guilt Patch Retreat.
She had such a kind heart. Loved her heart warming smile.
Deep Sympathy to her family & Friends. 🙏*

Jean Burritt - December 12, 2024 at 07:36 PM

RS

*Met Dori on a Quilt Patch River Boat Cruise and roomed together.
Spent time in phone calls, retreats in PA and Washington State. She
was a kind person and a cherished friend.
Devastated to hear of her unexpected passing.
Deepest condolences to family and friends.*

Ruth Sokel

Ruth Sokel - December 13, 2024 at 01:47 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dorothy Boisseau, formerly of Ayer.

December 12, 2024 at 02:59 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dorothy Boisseau, formerly of Ayer.



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DW

“ *We are so sorry to hear of Dorothy's passing. Met her a few times always funny. Rest in peace Love Debbie and Gene xo*

Deborah Walsh - December 12, 2024 at 12:00 PM