



## Doreen Dollen

July 16, 1950 - January 25, 2023

Doreen Dollen (nee Gogarty), 72, passed away peacefully on Jan 25, 2023 after a brief battle with cancer. Doreen was the devoted and loving wife of Robert Dollen. They recently celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary hosting a party, surrounded by cherished family and friends.

She was the beloved and precious sister of Patricia Giammarino and her husband Tommy Giammarino, and Thomas Gogarty and his wife Trisha Gogarty. Doreen was a loving mother figure and aunt to Michael Ferraro and his wife Courtney, and a doting Grammy to their children Michael, Christian and Thomas. She was the affectionate sister-in-law of Barbara and Sal Lapetina and Lorraine and Kevin Daly.

"Aunt Dee" was the treasured aunt of Thomas Giammarino and Suzanne and Matthew Reno, as well as Amanda Gogarty, Thomas Gogarty, Dominick Ferraro and many other dear nieces, nephews, grand nephews and niece. She is survived by her adoring Aunt Eileen Hartman and loving cousins.

Doreen was born in Brooklyn on July 16, 1950 to the late Thomas and Viola Gogarty. There she met and married her sweetheart Bob before moving to Staten Island. After spending many happy years and making memorable friendships on Wilson Avenue, Dee and Bob retired to Jackson, NJ in 2020. She enjoyed a long and rewarding career at APL where she was greatly

valued, admired and respected by friends and colleagues alike.

Doreen was a woman of great faith and a proud member of the Holy Child Choir. She had a passion for life and enjoyed keeping a social calendar. Whether she was babysitting her grandsons, challenging her siblings to who was the smartest, enjoying game nights, dining out, entertaining at home, or attending choir practice, Doreen always enjoyed being in the company of family and friends. She was affectionately known to all as "Aunt Dee," whether related or not, and treated everyone like family.

Doreen always saw the best in people and in every situation. Never one to "sweat the small stuff," she could be counted on to be a voice of reason, a shoulder to cry on and a loyal confidante. She will be remembered for her warm smile, generous and caring heart, and playful sense of humor. Her legacy will live on in the abundance of hearts she has touched and lives she has forever changed.

The family will receive friends from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 28, 2023, and from 2:00 - 5:00 and 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 29, 2023 at the John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals, Inc., 28 Eltingville Blvd. (at Eltingville Station), Staten Island, New York.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrate at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, January 30, 2023 at Holy Child Church located at 4747 Amboy Rd Staten Island, New York 10312. Interment will follow in Resurrection Cemetery, Staten Island, NY.

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

361 Sharrott Ave  
Staten Island, NY 10309

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 28. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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JAN 29. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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## Visitation

JAN 29. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

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JAN 30. 10:00 AM (ET)

Holy Child Church  
4747 Amboy Road  
Staten Island, NY 10312

# Tribute Wall



“ *Doreen Dollen*

October 04, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ *Your encouragement and and friendship will greatly be missed! So many great memories! We had great laughs especially the weekend Anne, Sarah, Cheryl and I spent at the Jersey Shore. It will be one of the many memories I will treasure. It is hard to find a person with your seniority, honesty, loyalty and friendship. That's why I love you and will miss you so so much! My thoughts and prayers are with Doreen's family. You are in my thoughts and especially prayers! May Jesus bring us all peace.*

**Justina** - January 29, 2023 at 06:31 PM



“ *My Deepest Condolences and Prayers for Doreen's Family and Doreen. She was a bright light on our Holy Child Choir and I am honored to have been able to Praise God in song with her. Doreen shall be sorely missed. Prayerfully, Michael Scarano and Family*

**Michael Scarano** - January 29, 2023 at 02:51 PM



*Beautiful!*

**Sarah LaMattina** - January 29, 2023 at 05:44 PM

JL

“ My heart is broken. I have no words. Aunt Doreen Gogarty Dollen you were the most beautiful soul inside and out. I'm going to miss your smile, your singing, your love for God and your family, and the way you would prank and yell at uncle Carl lol. Because of you I will make sure Mister Perch scares my future children 🤞 If you knew my aunt Doreen then you definitely knew who Mister Perch was! I will love you always and miss you forever. I know your up there singing in the angels choir 🙏❤️ love Daniella Laviano

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Josephine Laviano - January 29, 2023 at 10:55 AM

SL

“ Doreen, my journey in life began with you in Choir. You walked into Church, you were introduced to us, and our friendship began. Immediately, I knew our new boss just walked in. We began with the Contemporary with Annie and then went on to the Traditional with Sandra. There was no fooling around when you were there, Cheryl and I got more looks from you and you put us in place immediately. Then you introduced me to game night and I met my new family of sisters!! I thank you every day for that. They are my sisters. Of course, there you were at the head of the table, Don Pardo!! We had more laughs than anyone could ever imagine and which turned into tears and stomach aches from laughing so much! But, today, our tears are flowing from sorrow because God decided he needed you more. You will always be with us, you got us all through many situations and was always the voice of reason. I think, now I will be a new leash around Mother Mary's neck! She, too, is the voice of reason. Guess it's that Catholic School upbringing. I will love you always and forever. I'm so happy I had you in my life!! Hugs and Kisses my "sister" until we meet again!! Sarah

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Sarah LaMattina - January 28, 2023 at 01:09 PM

PG

*Beautiful Sarah.*

Patricia giammarino - January 29, 2023 at 09:57 AM

MR

“Doreen (my Guardian Angel), The first experience I had of you being my Guardian Angel was when you led the procession at my First Holy Communion. That was the first, but certainly not the last. You have continued to guide me & my family through the good times & the bad times. Somehow we always made sure there were many more good times than bad times. I know you will continue to guide me even now. You have changed my life & I will love you & miss you forever. Love, Mother Mary

Mary Romano - January 28, 2023 at 09:39 AM

PG

*Beautiful Mary!*

Pat Giammarino - January 28, 2023 at 10:52 AM

EC

“Dee, just a note to thank you for the wonderful, happy memories you have left us. We laugh as we remember our younger years of you settling our hair for church (mom said Pat did it better) or trying to teach a 6 and 7 year old how to do the mashed potato while watching American Bandstand. From every Thanksgiving and Christmas to vacations in Breezy Knoll Acres and Ocean Beach, NJ, where Mr Perch scared the kids into behaving or backyard barbecues where your reign as Sea Queen began (nose plug and all), you left your loving mark. Your silly songs live in the hearts of our children and now grandchildren. We thank you. Love forever, Eileen and Cathy

Eileen and Cathy - January 28, 2023 at 07:23 AM

PG

*Your post brought tears to my eyes. Beautiful!*

**Pat Giammarino** - January 28, 2023 at 10:51 AM

OR

*Dearest Doreen...still in disbelief that you will no longer visit me to get beautified. So many years (40 plus) of laughing and so many wonderful memories that still run thru my mind and I smile at how we never ran out of things to talk about. Your loyalty and friendship is something I will always cherish Thanks for coming into my life and making our visits such a pleasure as one of my most favorite clients (thanks to sis Pat for stealing you away from Spankys)...Rest easy my dear Doreeen)... 🙏❤️*

**Olga Ragonese** - January 28, 2023 at 06:40 PM

PG

*Thank you Olga for your heartfelt words.*

**Patricia giammarino** - January 29, 2023 at 09:59 AM

TG

*Father Willie said it best with these words "this woman is definitely in heaven" No doubt you are there my big sister. I thank God for our close family. Thanks for everything. You paved the way for me and Pat.*

**Thomas Gogarty** - August 27, 2024 at 09:42 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Doreen Dollen.*



January 27, 2023 at 11:58 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Doreen Dollen.*



January 26, 2023 at 09:42 PM



“ *Doreen, so many are sadder due to your passing. I am heartbroken. I will always remember your beautiful smile. You were my late night phone caller, calls that I enjoyed and lasted forever. You were always up for an adventure, movies or play, dinners, get togethers or just being together. Your stories were endless. Heaven must be having one great game night. Thanks for teaching me Wordle. Halloween will never be the same. I love you my friend 🥰*  
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**Sharon Donegan** - January 26, 2023 at 08:01 PM



*Beautiful words Sharon.*

**Pat Giammarino** - January 28, 2023 at 10:51 AM