



Thelma J. Dooley

October 10, 1924 - February 22, 2015

Albany-Thelma Jane Mulligan Dooley died on Sunday, February 22, 2015.

A native and lifelong resident of Albany, Thelma graduated from St. Teresa's School and Cathedral Academy. She was employed by the New York State Legislature and was Executive Secretary to Mayor Erastus Corning, 2nd, Mayor Thomas M. Whalen, III and Mayor Gerald D. Jennings. She was a member of AARP, Democratic Women of the Legislature, Women's Democratic Club of Albany County and the Senior Services Center in Albany.

She was the wife of the late Russell M. Dooley, mother of William T. and his wife, Christine of Schenectady, Edward R. and his wife Karen of Latham, and Charles M. and his wife Sheril of Wynantskill. She has one granddaughter, Nicole Marie Dooley and Fiancé Joseph Audino, one step-granddaughter, Anna Wilkinson and husband Michael and one step-grandson David Verleger and his wife Susie.

She was the daughter of the late Thomas E. and Mary M. Mulligan, Sr. She is survived by one sister, Elizabeth R. Frezon of Rensselaer, four brothers and three sisters who predeceased her were Thomas E. Mulligan, Jr, John J. Mulligan, George G. Mulligan, James E. Mulligan, Audrey M. Gorman, Jeanne Mary Smith and Eileen R. Domery. Aunt Tim is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

For many years Thelma enjoyed chair-caning and ceramics and the people who shared those hobbies with her. She also liked playing bridge, feeding the birds and gardening.

Funeral services Thursday, February 26, 2015 at 10:00 am from the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany thence to the Parish of Mater Christi, Albany at 10:30 am where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated.

Relatives and friends are invited and may call Wednesday, February 25, 2015 4:00 to 7:00 pm in the funeral home.

Interment Memory's Garden Cemetery.

Those wishing to remember Thelma in a special way may send a contribution to the Parish of Mater Christi, 40 Hopewell Street, Albany, NY 12208

To leave a message for the family, obtain directions, light a candle or view other helpful services, please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Memory Gardens Cemetery

983 Watervliet Shaker Road
Albany, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **25**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.
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Albany, NY 12206
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Service

FEB **26**. 10:30 AM (ET)

Parish of Mater Christi
40 Hopewell Street (Rev. Kenneth J. Doyle Way)
Albany, NY 12208

Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Thelma J. Dooley*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - February 25, 2015 at 11:59 AM



“ *Thelma J. Dooley*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *To family: May the words at Isaiah 25:8 bring you comfort during this difficult time " He will swallow up death forever, And the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all face."*



Montana - October 30, 2015 at 05:20 PM

JS

“ *To The Family of Thelma,*

We share your loss. When we think of Thelma family, city hall and neighborhood come to mind.

Your beautiful video tribute to your mother, sister and grandmother illustrates Thelma's first priority as a daughter, wife, mother, grandmother and sister..

City Hall will never be the same without Thelma. She served three Mayors and the people of Albany with loyalty, grace and humanity.

Thelma personified the Albany of yesteryear.

Thelma, was a good neighbor who stood up for her neighbors and neighborhood. Eileen and Bea will vouch for that.

Thelma watched over Ferndale Street with a sharp eye. She led, and won, the fight defeating the city plan to put sidewalks in on Ferndale St.

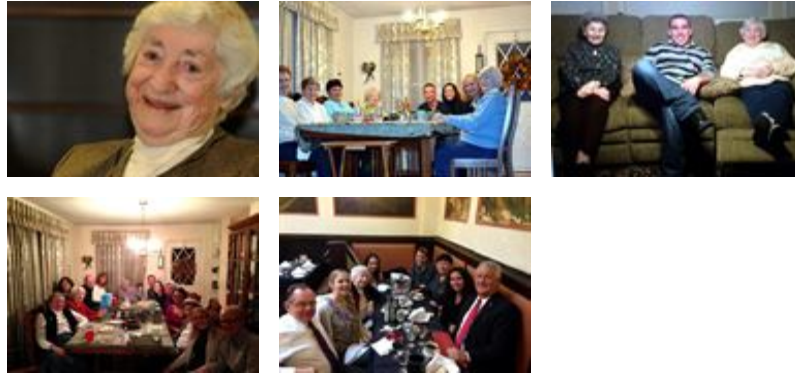
In summer ,Thelma would sit outside and we would exchange greetings with her as we walked Paddy and Mick around St Catherine's. She liked Paddy and Mick very much.

We shall miss Thelma, but not forget her.

*Joe and Margaret Sullivan
Paddy and Mick*

Joe Sullivan - February 25, 2015 at 04:59 PM

“ 37 files added to the album Life Tributes



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JB

“ *It is a privilege to have known such a benevolent soul. She graced us with her presence and saddens us in her absence. Her quick wit, decorum and talent for distilling levity from challenging circumstances exemplify a life well lived.*

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

Jay & Maria Baum - February 25, 2015 at 11:03 AM

JS

“ *Our family has suffered another great loss...
Thelma, I will never forget you.
Betty... words just can't express the depth of
our sympathy.
You and your family are in our prayers. Love
you much, Joan(ie)
You girls mean the world to my mom. Special prayers coming your
way. Love, Irene*



Joan Schermerhorn - February 24, 2015 at 12:23 AM