



# George J. Dorato

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**M**r. George J. "Otto" Dorato, age 68, died Thursday morning, November 3, 2011 in Norton Shores. He was born April 10, 1943 to George and Helen (Cusack) Dorato, in Chicago, IL and has resided in the Muskegon area since 1952. Prior to retirement, George had been a patternmaker and then co- owner of Paragon Pattern and Manufacturing Co. He was a member of St. Francis deSales Church, Knights of Columbus, Viking Linne Lodge # 57 and of the Muskegon Elks. He loved playing golf, cards and working with his hands. On September 8, 1962 he married the former Lois M. Rushcamp and she preceded him in death on February 26, 2010. SURVIVORS include 2 children, Michelle Dorato of Indian Rocks Beach, FL and Michael (Amy) Dorato of Grand Rapids, MI; 4 grandchildren, Torin Clarke, Robert, Nicholas and Emily Dorato; 2 brothers, Richard (Lisa) Dorato of Walker, MI, Lawrence (Nancy) Dorato of Norton Shores and 1 sister, Kathleen Dorato of Muskegon; his mother-in-law, Selma Rushcamp of Muskegon and his sister-in-law, Paula Austin of Montague. The MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL will be celebrated 11AM Monday at St. Francis deSales Church with the Rev. Philip P. Salmonowicz presiding. VISITATION with George's family will be 2-4 & 6-8PM Sunday at The Walburn Chapel of Sytsema Funeral Homes, Inc., 1547 W. Sherman Blvd., Muskegon, MI 49441 (231-759-8565) For a more lasting memorial you are asked to consider the Muskegon Catholic Central Green and Gold Athletic Fund or Harbor Hospice.



# Events

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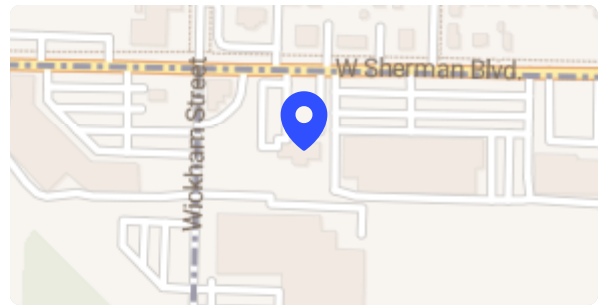
## Visitation

 **Sunday**, November 6, 2011

 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM ET

 **Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Walburn Chapel**

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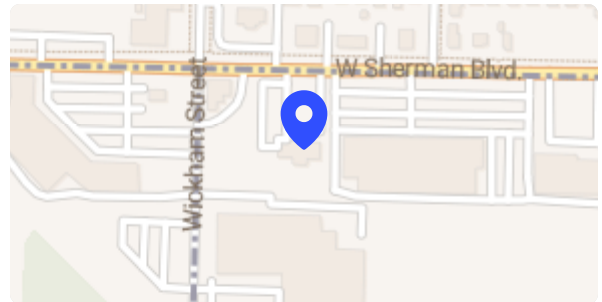
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**Anonymous** posted:

George - You always were a great guy with a great smile - in fact, I'm smiling right now just remembering it! Nice legacy for those who love you. Condolences to your family.##imported-begin##Tom Tokarz##imported-end##

November 10 at 8:23 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Shelly and Mike, I am so sorry for your Fathers passing....but know after talking with you that this is what he wanted. Thank-you so very much for allowing me the honor of helping both of you and George along that journey!Cheryl, Harbor Hospice##imported-begin##Cheryl ##imported-end##

November 9 at 7:33 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

To the family of George (and Lois)So sorry to hear of his passing, I had just sent him a get well card to cheer him on and only found on returning from being out of town that he had passed over. May our Lord keep each and every one of you in your time of great sorrow, may you feel His nearness, knowing that He is always with you, and may you feel His peace and comfort. A '61' classmate: Mary Fouts##imported-begin##Mary (Fouts) David##imported-end##

November 7 at 8:20 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Our deepest condolences to Kathy and the rest of the Dorato family. George was a fun-loving guy. Always smiling and kind to all he met. His laugh and sence of humor would light up a room. He is deeply missed.##imported-begin##Charlie and Helen##imported-end##

November 7 at 3:51 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

It was very sad news that George had suffered a stroke and has passed away. It was always a highlight of our Muskegon Catholic High School class reunions for me to talk with George and I was so sorry to see the misfortunes that had occurred in his life between our recent reunion and the one five years before--losing Lois and being confined to a wheel chair. He focused on his love for his family in his reunion remembrances and I'm so glad that I had the opportunity to talk with George at our high school reunion only a few weeks ago. God bless George and his beloved Lois, their classmates miss them both. With heartfelt condolences to George's family, John Osterhart

November 6 at 6:23 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

My sympathy and prayers are with George's family. George and Lois were always very kind and supportive to me during my time as pastor at St. Francis. May God grant him eternal rest and peace. Fr. Tom Simons Holy Trinity Parish Comstock Park, MI

November 6 at 2:53 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Sorry for the loss of your Father are prayers are with you and your family.

November 6 at 12:55 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Deepest sympathy to George's family. George was a fine person who was nice to everyone. Liked him from the first time I met him at MCC. He will be missed.

November 6 at 8:09 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

To Larry, Nancy & family: We were saddened to hear of your loss. Your brother George was definitely one of the good guys. Always in the front lines to help others. When the Lord calls our loved ones home, He leaves a gift of memories in exchange. Hold on to those memories, & let them guide you during this difficult time of sadness. You are in our thoughts & prayers. In sympathy, Jean & Jerry###imported-begin##Jean & Jerry McKenzie###imported-end##

November 6 at 7:17 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

My deepest Sympathies to the Dorato Family. Georgia was a great guy. Jim Davis Classmate "61"###imported-begin##Jim Davis###imported-end##

November 6 at 6:56 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Thank you to everyone who sent and may still send the beautiful messages. My parents were both amazing people and I know they so happy together. Please never stop loving and caring for those around you. Always smile and be happy. Thank you again for all your thoughts, prayers, and love. Peace###imported-begin##Shelly, Mike and families###imported-end##

November 6 at 4:03 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

I was very saddened to hear of George's passing. We grew up in the hood together. Went to grade school and high school together. He was a very dear friend as was Lois. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family. They both will be greatly missed.###imported-begin##Sandra (Veselits)Seib###imported-end##

November 5 at 8:28 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Shelly, Mike, and Family--We are deeply saddened by the news of your father's passing. He was one great guy, so kind and giving in all he did for his family, friends, and MCC. He will always be remembered. May God bless you during this time of sorrow. Sincerely, Don and Mary Ann###imported-begin##Don and Mary Ann (Reeths) Scofield###imported-end##

November 5 at 5:32 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

My memories of George and Lois go back to our high school days at Catholic Central. George was a spark plug and a super athlete with a very upbeat spirit. I am thankful for having had the opportunity to see and talk with George at our 50th reunion this year. Heartfelt condolences to George's family.##imported-begin##Nick Darien##imported-end##

November 5 at 4:44 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Mike, Amy, Robby, Nick and Emily, So sorry about your loss. We know how special your Dad and Grandpa was to you all. We have you in our prayers.Keep his faith alive!Don, Jean, Lauren & Alex##imported-begin##Don and Jean##imported-end##

November 5 at 3:40 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

He will surely be missed. Looking at his picture makes me sad he is gone. Shelly and Mike, I know that he is very proud of both of you always, sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Mark Mulready##imported-end##

November 4 at 4:05 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Shelly, Michael and family,I was so sorry to hear of your father's passing but you have so many memories to follow you and prayers to hold you. George was a great guy and now he is with your mom and no longer suffers but rejoices and laughs.Dorothy Poland##imported-begin##Dorothy Poland##imported-end##

November 4 at 2:28 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

We are sorry to hear about your loss. Your family will be in our prayers.Bill Ogden##imported-begin##Bill and Chris Ogden##imported-end##

November 4 at 1:37 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Our prayers and thoughts are with you. Sorry for your loss. Bogie Ogdén##imported-begin##Bogie Ogdén##imported-end##

November 4 at 1:32 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

i am so sorry to hear about George. My thoughts are with you during this time.##imported-begin##Maggie carlson##imported-end##

November 4 at 10:00 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

May the Perpetual Light shine on George and may he rest he peace. GOD BLESS##imported-begin##Deacon Jerry Rakosky##imported-end##

November 4 at 9:05 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

We are continuing to pray for you all. You are in our thoughts and prayers daily. We will be flying up from Florida tomorrow so that we can be there to support you and honor Uncle George's life. He was a wonderful man and he is at peace now with the Lord.##imported-begin##Damon and Sara Dorato and Daniel##imported-end##

November 4 at 8:43 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

I sent George a note this week when I heard that he had a stroke and I am sorry he never got to see it. I went to Muskegon Catholic with George and Lois. I always admired both of them and hate that they have died. Their family and friends have a lot to celebrate, though, because they were fine people who touched many others and accomplished a lot with their lives. George is still a football player and wise guy in my mind's eye. I always smile when I think of him.##imported-begin##Joe Cote##imported-end##

November 4 at 7:40 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Dorato family. We have many happy memories of George. What a great guy.##imported-begin##Dave & Sherrie Riddle##imported-end##

November 4 at 6:45 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

To George's Family, I was a HS classmate of both George and Lois...and received the sad news yesterday while visiting Florida. I'm sorry I will miss the funeral, but am so glad that i was able to visit with George at the class reunion. Condolences and prayers for all his family and friends.Joan LaMourie##imported-begin##Joan LaMourie##imported-end##

November 4 at 5:08 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Mike, Amy, and Larry,So sorry to hear of George's passing. you are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Brenda Amaya##imported-end##

November 4 at 4:41 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Mike, Amy & family - sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers##imported-begin##George & Cheryl Stoll##imported-end##

November 4 at 4:26 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

I was very saddened to hear of the loss of George. His friendship and incredible kindness will be missed and memories of many good times will be cherished. Mike Zagaroli.##imported-begin##Michael Zagaroli##imported-end##

November 4 at 4:13 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Shelly~ I am so sorry so hear about your Dad. How precious is was to see you, your Dad & Torin this summer at the Steel drum band performance. May you feel God's comforting presence in the days ahead. XO##imported-begin##Becky Smith Kaufman##imported-end##

November 3 at 3:09 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring George J. by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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