



Dorothy Alice Dougherty

February 28, 1938 - May 3, 2025

Dorothy Alice Dougherty passed away peacefully at her home on May 3, 2025. She was 87 years old and truly “one of a kind.”

Dorothy was born on February 28th, 1938, in Chicago Heights, IL as the youngest child to Chester and Helen Klingler. She grew up in the Chicago suburbs and went to Hinsdale Township (Central) High School. She loved telling stories of her Midwest shenanigans. Dorothy graduated from Iowa State University and moved out to San Francisco for a teaching job in Oakland. After a few years, she moved to Portland, OR and worked for the Oregon Dairy Council, travelling around the state and doing TV spots. She met Dick Dougherty while on a ski trip at Mt. Hood and they were married in 1964. They spent a year travelling in their Volkswagen bus around Europe. After returning, they moved to Eastmoreland where they had three children: Margaret, Colleen and Susan. Dorothy loved playing tennis, cheering on her kids, tole painting, gourmet dinner club, volunteering at Holy Family, LaSalle, and the Portland Art Museum, chaperoning the weekend kids’ ski bus to Mt. Hood, and spending time with her family and friends.

After the kids went onto college, Dorothy and Dick started “A Taste of Oregon Tours” and took visiting groups on tours around Oregon. They moved to Bend in 1993 and built their dream home. Although Dorothy was reluctant to leave her friends and social life in Portland, she grew to love her life in Bend. She

made wonderful new friends through tennis, book clubs, golf, bridge, and volunteering. Dorothy spent much of her lifetime giving back to the community. She was a member of the Assistance League of Bend for over thirty years and served as President from 1998 to 1999. Her commitment, compassion, and leadership left an indelible mark not only on Assistance League of Bend, but on the entire community. She was also a member of PEO, on the St. Edward's Annual Tea committee and a longtime supporter of Oregon Adaptive Sports. Dorothy brought more than just dedication to her service work—she brought joy. Every day was brighter with her laughter, her warmth, and the countless stories she shared.

Dorothy had a zest for life and for travel and enjoyed travelling around the world in her later life. She also spent a lot of time visiting her daughters and her grandchildren, never missing a chance to babysit or participate in their life events. After Dick passed away, Dorothy moved to Touchmark and spent the past two years attending bible study, going to the swimming pool and gym, the movie theater, playing cards, attending every social event possible and making a whole new set of “best friends”. Dorothy was a kind, funny, devoted, faith-filled and caring woman who was a bright light to all those who knew her. She will be deeply missed by her family and friends.

She is survived by her daughters, Margaret Immink, Colleen Dougherty and Susan Gray, her grandchildren, Lauren Immink, Andrew Immink, Jack Gray and Travis Gray. She is preceded in death by her husband of 58 years, Dick Dougherty, her sister Nancy Klinger and her cousin Peter Klingler.

Funeral Services will be Saturday, June 21st at 10:00 AM at St. Edward the Martyr Catholic Church in Sisters, Oregon, and a Celebration of Life at Awbrey Glen Golf Club in Bend from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Dorothy's memory to

Assistance League of Bend or to Oregon Adaptive Sports. Assistance League of Bend - <https://www.assistanceleague.org/bend/donate/> or send a donation to PO Box 115, Bend, OR 97709.

Oregon Adaptive Sports - <https://oregonadaptivesports.app.neoncrm.com/forms/dorothydougherty> or send a check made out to "OAS" to 345 SW Cyber Dr, Ste 103, Bend OR 97702 (with memo line "In Memory of Dorothy Dougherty").

Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home of Bend was honored to serve the family.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUN 21. 10:00 AM (PT)

St. Edward the Martyr Catholic Church
123 N Trinity Way
Sisters, OR 97759
(541) 549-9391

Celebration of Life

JUN 21. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (PT)

Awbrey Glen Golf Club
2500 Awbrey Glen Drive
Bend
Bend, OR 97703
nena.close@gmail.com

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“ *Emma Steen lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Dougherty* ”



Emma Steen - May 09 at 02:32 AM



“ *Marsha Bechtold lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Dougherty* ”



Marsha Bechtold - May 29, 2025 at 12:08 PM