



# Dorothy Stella Oko

JAN 13, 1931 - MAY 12, 2008



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**D**orothy Oko passed away on Monday, May 12, 2008 at Lakeview Regional Medical Center near Covington.

No Services are scheduled at this time in Louisiana. Memorial services and committal services will take place on a future date in Chicago, IL following the cremation arranged by E.J. Fielding Funeral Home of Covington, LA.



## Tribute Wall

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BE

**Bernie** posted:

Thinking about you "Happy Birthday"

January 13 at 7:19 PM

BE

**Bernie** posted:

"HAPPY MOTHERS DAY" I miss you...

May 13 at 8:41 AM

YK

**You Know Me** posted:

You are always near. I did not forget you. I love you forever.

September 12 at 12:34 PM

SA

**Sarah** posted:

Buzia, Please take care of Papa and Aunt Merc up there. They both just joined you. Please show them the ropes. I miss you and love you, please keep watching over me. Love, Sarah

July 15 at 4:00 AM

MI

**Michelangela** posted:

HAPPY MAMA'S DAY MAZU. I miss my painting partner. Continue to send inspiration my way. When the best ideas come to me, I know they are coming from you. Save a place for me and we will do more good work up there. I miss you everyday. I hope you are feeling better and having a good time with the rest of the Oko's.

May 7 at 1:11 PM

YC

**Your Child** posted:

We did not forget you. Even in death you did not receive the love and attention that you so much deserved. I suffer in silence for you.

January 23 at 11:27 AM



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LA

**Lynn Ann** posted:

Happy Mother's Day Ma. Today is the first anniversary that you are reunited with your own mother and father and your whole family and Jesus. I know that you are no longer lonely and suffering in silence. You are now singing and creating the beauty of your art with the power of your own creative spirit. Every time I see a new wonder of art, I will know that it is sent from you. You are forever in the warm sunshine. Be happy with Jesus. Watch over us for we still need your quiet guidance. I miss you with a very heavy heart.

May 11 at 7:00 PM

DO

**Dorota** posted:

Forget me not as you go about your day. And when the winter wind howls my name. Forget me not in the lonely darkness of the night. And in the warm brightness of the sun light. Forget me not in the freshness of the morning dew. And in the spring when life begins anew. For I am in you and you are in me. I will always live in your heart ~ as long as you forget me not.

May 10 at 7:00 PM

BI

**Bird** posted:

Dear Ma, A year of holidays, birthdays, anniversaries and seasons has passed without you here. The loss of a mother dims the child in a person. I could still be your kid with you, even as I aged. I know, you know what I mean. I miss you and being your kid. A day does not pass without a thought or remembrance of you. I pray that you are at peace and with your loved ones. God bless you. Sweet dreams, Ma (Mi Madre). All my love, Your kid ~ Valenteen

May 10 at 7:00 PM



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**Bird** posted:

Dear Ma, We always loved the May Crowning for the Blessed Mary. A year ago, I sang this song for you, a song that we have sung at all the May Crownings through the years. Once again, today, I sing this song for you: O Mary, we crown thee with blossoms today! Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May. O Mary, we crown thee with blossoms today, Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May. Bring flowers of the rarest, bring blossoms the fairest, from garden and woodland and hillside and dale; our full hearts are swelling, our glad voices telling, the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale! I have fond memories of you pinning fresh lilacs in my hair for the May Crowning and giving me a fresh bouquet of lilacs to present to the Blessed Mary. These sweet memories shall never leave me. I love and miss you. Happy Mother's Day to my Mommy Dearest! Love and Smooches ~ Your Bird, Valenteen

May 9 at 7:00 PM

SA

**Sarah** posted:

Happy Mothers Day Buzia!! cant believe that it has been almost a year, I feel like we were just shopping together and stealing plastic grapes form the Martinique. Im always thinking of you and I miss you alot, I know that you are watching down on me now! LOVE YOU

May 8 at 7:00 PM

DI

**Ditlynnann** posted:

Happy Easter Doroitka, I see that your early Bird beat me to it. Aunt Phyllis joined the Oko kids yesterday, Easter. Julia told me that she believes that was her wish. I think she just missed all of you too much to stay here without all of you. I hope you are all happy together. Easter was not the same for us without you or talking with you for 5 hours on the phone. We didn't even eat any kielbasa. I hope you are saving a place for us at your new dinner table. You are loved and greatly missed. You will be with us forever in our hearts. Sarah misses her shopping partner. I finally managed to get you to use the computer! I love you...your late bloomer.

April 12 at 7:00 PM

BI

**Bird** posted:

Happy Blessed Easter, Ma. You are in my thoughts and prayers every day; the holidays even more so. There is so much to miss. Today, your sister, Phyllis has joined you and the Oko gang. I have a feeling there's a lot of dancing and laughter going on - this thought makes all of your passings a bit easier for me. ja cie Kocham! Peace, love and smooches to you all! Tweetfully, Bird

April 11 at 7:00 PM



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**Bird** posted:

Ma, Feliz Navidad. You are especially missed right now. Your candle is lit & I'm wishing you peace. God Bless you. With Love, Bird

December 23 at 7:00 PM

BI

**Bird** posted:

Ma (Mi Madre) ~ A day does not pass that I do not think of you. I miss you and I always will.

October 13 at 7:00 PM

KR

**Kristen** posted:

You were my one and only Buzia and I miss you so much. I am so thankful for the time that we got to spend together in the past year. That means more to me than anything. I will miss your Barszcz during the holidays and all of your other great Polish cooking. I hope you are feeling better now. I know you hated being stuck in the hospital even though you made friends with some of the nurses. Everytime I go to Cafe Lynn or wear my fleur de lis I will be thinking of you. I LOVE YOU FOREVER.

June 2 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

I WILL LOVE YOU ~ As long as I can dream, As long as I can think, As long as I have a memory... I will love you. As long as I have eyes to see, And ears to hear, And lips to speak... I will love you. As long as I have a heart to feel, A soul stirring inside me, An imagination to hold you.... I will love you. As long as there is a time, As long as there is love, As long as I have breath to speak your name... I will love you.

May 25 at 7:00 PM

KD

**Kathy Duggan** posted:

I was very sorry to hear about your mother - we are all saying a prayer for her and the family. She always made me laugh. Love The duggan Family

May 21 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

I AM THE GENTLE AUTUMN'S RAIN Do not stand at my grave and weep. I am not there, I do not sleep. I am a thousand winds that blow, I am the diamond glints on the snow. I am the sunlight on ripened grain, I am the gentle autumn rain. When you wake in the morning hush, I am the swift, uplifting rush of quiet birds in circling flight. I am the soft starlight at night. Do not stand at my grave and weep. I am not there - I do not sleep.

May 21 at 7:00 PM



**Allen Czopek** posted:

Ma, I cannot express how much I miss you and I will love you forever. Until we meet again.....

May 20 at 7:00 PM



**Renee Rudman** posted:

Dear Cyril, We are so sorry to hear of the passing of your Mom. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. With deepest sympathy, Don and Renee Rudman

May 20 at 7:00 PM



**Sarah** posted:

GOD Saw That She Was Getting Tired And A Cure Was Not Meant To Be So He Put His Arms Around Her And Whispered "Come With Me" With Tearful Eyes We Watched Her Suffer And Watched Her Fade Away Although We Loved Her Dearly We Could Not Make Her Stay A Golden Heart Stopped Beating And A Warm Loving Heart To Rest GOD Broke Our Hearts To Prove To Us That He Only Takes The Best Buzia, Thank you so much for all that you ever did for me. It was greatly appreciated. Thank you for helping me with my Ed Paschke paper about him and his art work. I never got to tell you this but my teacher told me that I am truly lucky to have someone so close to me that knew him, she was in awe when she read my paper and when she got to the part you helped me with she told me that, that was the best part of the paper. I was lucky to have you and your useful information. Thank you for believing in me and my art. Thank you for all the memories that I have of you. I will truly cherish them and we all will meet again one day. God wanted you to stop suffering, and he didn't want to see you like that so he told you to come home. Now you are watching down on all of us. I will miss you buzia. I LOVE YOU.

May 20 at 7:00 PM



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SH

**Suzanne Hartman** posted:

Cyril and Family, I am deeply sorry for your loss. I hope your family will bond together and help each other in this time of need. I hope you feel comfort in the fact that mom is in a better place and is at peace. Our prayers are with you all.

May 19 at 7:00 PM

CC

**Cyril F. Czopek** posted:

Jesus said, John 14:1 "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 "In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go prepare a place for you. 3 "And if I go prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also." Well Dort, your home is finally rebuilt!....ENJOY!!! I love you and miss you!

May 19 at 7:00 PM

JK

**Jeanie Kendrick** posted:

NO BOND IS AS GREAT AS THAT BETWEEN A PARENT AND CHILD. MY DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ARE WITH YOU AS YOU GRIEVE. I WILL MISS YOUR MOM VERY MUCH I HAVE GREAT MEMORIES AND LAUGHS THAT WE SHARED OVER THE YEARS OF WORKING TOGETHER. LONG DISTANCE PHONE CALLS AND VACATING WITH HER I COULD GO ON FOREVER ABOUT ALL THE THINGS I WILL MISS ABOUT YOUR MOM.

May 18 at 7:00 PM

SS

**Shari Simone** posted:

God Bless, Cyril and his brothers and sisters in the loss of their Mother...may she rest in peace in the glories of God.

May 18 at 7:00 PM



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VA

**Valenteen** posted:

My Dear Mom, There is not enough given space to share with others your special beat that you danced through your entire life. Some of my warmest memories are: your hearty laughter, teaching me to Polka, Tango & Jitterbug, buying me Beatle boots, mini-skirts, fishnet stockings & all the mod clothes that many moms refused to allow their daughters to wear, jumping rope with my friends & me under the street light late at night--laughing till we nearly wet our shorts, hemming my green plaid school uniform to reach "way above" the knees--freaking out Sr. Bernard Mary, teaching me to ride CTA buses to meet you in downtown Chicago for lunch at the Art Institute, sharing your love of art, late-night swims & eating your much sought after barbecue chicken, accepting even my odd-ball friends, our talks that I needed when I tripped into my teen years, our long distance marathon phone conversations up to this past holidays, your WONDERFUL Christmas gatherings--which all of our friends would even stop by through the years--not just for us--but because they adored you & your yummy cooking, sharing Polish traditions/foods--including making Polish sausage, most importantly, your love of God that you shared with us. My memories are endless as is my love for you. You are my mom since the beginning of time, this is God's plan, forever more. I believe you're dancing with the angels & the Oko's. Save a Polka for me! All my love & peace to you, your Dodo Bird xxxx0000xxxx

May 18 at 7:00 PM

JO

**John** posted:

Dear Boo, You always treated me like your son and I thank you for that. You've left me with many memories of good times, great food and lots of laughs. I'm going to miss your laugh. Rest in peace, Boo and know that you are loved and missed. Love, John

May 18 at 7:00 PM

IA

**Ian** posted:

Buzia, I miss you so much already. I'll never forget you Buzia. I know someday I'll see you again. Just the other day on my way to work I was thinking about how you would stuff your shoes with cups, and none of us kids would want to drink out of those cups. It brought a smile to my face. I also remembered when I was in high school you would tell me that I needed to find a nice Polish girl. I love you Buzia.

May 18 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

My Memory I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one. I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done. I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways, of happy times and laughing times of bright and sunny days. I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun of happy memories that I leave when life is done.

May 18 at 7:00 PM



**Janet Foss** posted:

I am deeply sorry for your loss. Unfortunately I know what you all are going through, try to remember all of the good times you had with your mom.

May 15 at 7:00 PM



**Sam** posted:

Dor, You will be missed by all. I especially will miss you because you have always treated me as one of your own. I have a place in my heart for you that is now empty. I will always remember the family holiday gatherings with your home cooked meals which were the best, and swimming at 6020. Thank you for sharing your famous chicken recipe and making me a part of your life. Love, Sam

May 15 at 7:00 PM



**Teri** posted:

Dearest Val, I'm so sadden to hear of your dear Mom's passing. You and your entire family have my deepest sympathies and prayers. It is quite a legacy that she leaves behind, I feel as if I've known her by knowing you. What a beautiful women, both inside and out. Our world will feel her absence. I must say that Ian does bear a striking resemblance to his grandmother:) Please take care and know that we are here, always if you need anything. Teri & Stephen

May 15 at 7:00 PM



**Anna** posted:

Dor, had such determination & spirit a woman genuinely ahead of her time, she definitely soars high in heaven with laughter and a smile in her eyes... Love Annabell.....Now I'll make millions off her painting...

May 14 at 7:00 PM



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YC

**Your First Child** posted:

A baby asked God, 'They tell me you are sending me to earth tomorrow. God said, "your angel will be waiting for you and will take care of you". "God said, "your angel will sing for you and will also smile for you and you will feel your angel's love and be very happy". The child asked, "and how am I going to be able to understand when people talk to me if I don't know the language?" God said, "your angel will tell you the most beautiful and sweet words you will ever hear, and with much patience and care, your angel will teach you how to speak." "And what am I going to do when I want to talk to you"? God said, "your angel will place your hands together and will teach you how to pray". "Who will protect me?" God said, "your angel will defend you even if it means risking its life." "But I will always be sad because I will not see you anymore". God said, "your angel will always talk to you about Me and will teach you the way to come back to Me, even though I will always be next to you". At that moment there was much peace in Heaven, but voices from Earth could be heard and the child hurriedly asked, "God, if I am to leave now, please tell me my angel's name". God said, "you will simply call her "MOM".

May 14 at 7:00 PM

SA

**Sarah** posted:

I will miss you and love you Buzia.

May 13 at 7:00 PM

DA

**Darlene** posted:

We all know there are no words to heal the pain of your hearts, but there are always those memories, in this time of sadness, to bring a smile to your face. Those memories you will keep forever and they cannot be taken away. Dorothy was a part of my life growing up, the mother of my best friend. It seemed liked she was in the kitchen most of the time when I came knocking on the door and would yell upstairs for Lynn, who usually couldn't find her underwear (to this day I do believe Val had something to do with that)and her laugh was special, one that I will always remember and can still hear now. And her painting, I am glad I had the opportunity to see some of them, and gee how did she do that with all those kids, I am still in awe to this day. All in all, a great women who will be greatly missed in this life.

May 13 at 7:00 PM



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**Al & Carole Koronkiewicz** posted:

Dear Lynn, Sarah & Sam [Dinovo] : Our deepest and most heartfelt sympathies go out to you and your family at this most grievous time. We are happy to have met your mom/grandmother and to have partaken in her exquisite Cajun cuisine late in the midnite hour. It was well worth waiting for! She was indeed a free spirit and we are sure will be dearly missed by all who knew her. Our prayers are with you, may you find comfort in your memories. Deepest Condolences, Al & Carole Koronkiewicz

May 13 at 7:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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