



## Mrs. Dorothea Willis

February 26, 1926 - May 25, 2014

Mrs. Dorothea Dorina Doty Willis, 88, of Cortland, passed away at her home on May 25, 2014 surrounded by her loving family. Dorothea was born in Cortland, February 26, 1926 the daughter of Frank and Nina Goodell Doty, and was raised in McGraw for many years.

Dorothea attended Ithaca College where she studied business. She then went on to own and operate Willis T.V. in Cortland for over 45 years with husband, Stewart J. Willis, Sr. who preceded her in death in 2008.

Dorothea loved and cherished her family and the time she spent with them. Helping others was by far the greatest gift that she shared with so many. Additionally, she was member of the McGraw Baptist Church and was an avid golfer and bowler.

Survivors include, two sons; Doty (Patty) Willis of Cortland, Stewart J. Willis, Jr.(Bridgette) of Charleston, S. Carolina and three daughters; Penny (Layne) Pech of Cortland, Candy (David) Dafoe of Homer and Tammy M. Willis of Cortland., 9 grandchildren; Wesley (Missy) Lang, Todd (Maggie) Tuttle, Chad Tuttle, Crystal (Scott) Gilmore, Katy Willis, Kristin Willis, Shane Willis, Brenna Willis and Ian Willis and many great and great great grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, Dorothea was preceded in death by

three brothers, Ted, Fred and Ray Doty and a granddaughter, Shannon R. Lang.

In keeping with Dorothea's wishes a private family gathering will be held at the convenience of family. Contributions in her memory may be made to Caring Community Hospice, Kennedy Parkway, Cortland, N.Y.13045

Arrangements are under the direction of Riccardi Funeral Home, 69 N.Main St, Cortland, N.Y.

Condolences may be sent to the Willis family by visiting [www.riccardifuneralhome.com](http://www.riccardifuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ I remember Aunt Dot's beautiful birds. She loved them and her family. When you entered her home, you felt her love and acceptance. A very special lady! Please let me know if you need anything - glad to help out.

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**Helen Littlejohn** - May 18, 2018 at 11:12 AM

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“ My condolences to the family. Doty was a great lady and will be missed. I have many memories of golfing, bowling, card playing and parties with her and Stewart. She is now back with the love of her life. God bless her and all her family.

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**Edward E. Thomas** - May 18, 2018 at 11:12 AM