



Dorothy Mae (Barto) Albert

May 29, 1919 - September 4, 2015

My name is Dorothy Mae Albert and this is my story. I was born at home in Spring Green Wisconsin on May 20, 1919. My parents were Nel Sliter of Fennimore and Dilver Barto of Boscobel. I joined a sister 17 months older. We soon moved to Mount Hope Wisconsin and in 1924 we moved back to Spring Green, where we lived for about six years. We then moved to Lone Rock Wisconsin for a short time before moving to Fennimore where I graduated from high school in 1937. I had a passion for dancing. My friends thought I would make a good dance teacher, but I wanted to be a nurse. Before I had the opportunity to pursue this career, I met the love of my life, Fred Albert, in 1935 at a roller rink. We married on March 7, 1939 in Dubuque, IA. Freddie worked on the road, so we moved around a lot and lived in our small trailer. He worked at Fairbanks during the WWII, when we lived in Beloit. Freddie grew up in Brodhead, so we decided to make this our permanent home. My two proudest moments were when our two daughters, Diane and Denise, were born. For the next 10 years they grew up in our rental house on E. Exchange Street. We built the house of our dreams in 1957. I worked at the pickle factory and cold storage in the 50s and at Apco Manufacturing in the 60s. Our retirement was incredible! We took many vacations and visited 48 states, which included driving in NY City and Los Angeles. Because I didn't have a driver's license, Freddie drove and I navigated. We enjoyed wintering in Texas from 1978-1992. My favorite pastime was knitting and reading. I read the bible about 30 times and read approximately a book a week until my

eyesight no longer allowed me to do either. Our life was wonderful. Together we grew incredible gardens and preserved fruits and vegetables. We attribute our long life (Freddie was 101) to eating healthy, drinking mineral spring water all our lives, and staying active. I held Freddie's hand all night before his Lord called him to join his parents and siblings. This was the first time in my life that I felt old. We were married 73 years. In 2009, I caught pneumonia and later that year I fell and cracked my pelvis. I had heart issues in 2010 and needed a pace-maker. In 2012, I had a mild stroke, but recovered from all of these. Like my grandmother used to say, "you can't keep an old horse down!" I wish to thank those at St Elizabeth Manor and Agrace Hospice for easing our final years. A special thank you to family and friends who visited us. I am sorry to leave behind my two daughters, 5 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren and 3 great-great grandchildren, but I am overjoyed to be reunited with my loving husband and look forward to join my sister who was also my best friend. Please do not grieve. I have lived a long, wonderful life and have no regrets. Instead, please celebrate my long and happy life. We will meet again. Graveside services will be held at 4 p.m., Saturday, September 5, 2015, at Greenwood Cemetery, Brodhead, WI. Memorials may be made to Agrace Hospice.

Tribute Wall

AP

“ Steve, Denise, Elisa, Amanda & Abby-
I am so sorry to hear about Dorothy! What a nice life she lived and
this is a very beautiful obituary.
Ali

Ali Prochnow - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

DB

“ Denise, Diane, and families, please accept our most sincere
sympathy for Mom's passing. She had a wonderful life, surely many
memories for each of you to share. Prayers for all.

Don and Brenda - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

NB

“ Diane, Denise and Families So very sorry to hear of your Mothers
Passing. She was a very nice Lady always with a smile. Had the
pleasure of seeing her in the home in Brodhead when I went to visit
in Brodhead. We walked together outside a few times. Our thoughts
and Prayers are with all of you. God Bless

Nate and Gwen Bliss - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

GV

“ Diane and Denise and your extended families--so sorry for your
loss. It sounds like she led a full life. After reading the obituary, I
wished I would have known her! Sounds like a wonderful lady. I'm
sure you have some wonderful memories.

Gail Vondra - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

GW

“ *My condolence two your family
Ginger (Schmid) Waddell*

Ginger Waddell - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

MM

“ *Diane, Denise and families,
What a love and life story your mom unselfishly shared with us
through her story. She did have an amazing life that will live on in all
your hearts. You are all in my prayers and may you all experience
life through your mother's loving example.
Melinda (Maurer) McNett
(class of '65)*

Melinda McNett - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

BM

“ *Denise & Diane. So sorry for your loss I can remember living
across from them when we were younger. You have a great family
and all your memories will be special.
Barb Menehan*

Barbara Menehan - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

SW

“ *Diane and Denise,
You and your families have our deepest sympathy.
May your wonderful memories comfort you.*

Stella Clark & Don Wolter - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

KN

“ Dear Diane, Denise and your families,
I am sending you my deepest sympathy with the loss of your Mother. The story of her life with your father and all of you was a special way to celebrate and share their lives with us all.
Karen Klemm Nelms

Karen Nelms - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

JB

“ I'm am so sorry to hear of Dorothy's passing. I just heard, and apologize for not knowing sooner. She had a beautiful life and a beautiful family.
My sympathy-

Janet Bartz - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

PH

“ Sorry to hear of your mother's passing. I new your parents through mine, Bill and Grace Kethcart. I have been living in Michigan for the last 17 years. A couple times when I would travel back home I would stop in to see your parents at their home in Brodhead. I don't remember the year of my last visit, but your dad was still alive. I had a nice visit with your mother. She remembered me and said it was a nice surprise. They lived a long and loving life. Prayers Peggy

Peggy (Kethcart) Haberman - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM