



## Dorothy Rose Esson

July 31, 1926 - May 21, 2018

Dorothy Esson

RACINE - Dorothy Rose (nee; Gratz) Esson, 91, passed away on Monday May 21, 2018 at St. Monica's Senior Living.

She was born in Racine on July 31, 1926, the daughter of the late Clarence and Margaret (nee: Willems) Gratz.

Dorothy attended grade school at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, where she remained a member for her entire life. She was a graduate of William Horlick High School. On April 10, 1948, Dorothy was united in marriage to Clifford Esson, who preceded her in death on December 22, 1995. Together, they shared 47 wonderful years. Dorothy worked as a secretary for Webster Electric, as well as Act II Resale shop.

Surviving are her children, Diana (Loren) Johnson, Laura Huston, Barbara (Dave) Kinzer, Juliette (Allen) Szymandera, Alex (Laurie) Esson, and Eric (Shelley) Esson; 12 grandchildren, Chazz (Jamie) Huston, Kourtney, Kyle (Jessica) Kinzer, Kendra (Eric) Touhey, Brett Romanowski, Dayne (Katie) and Alana Szymandera, Jack and Drew Esson, and Collin, Peyton and Harper Esson; two great granddaughters, Ayda and Elyn Huston; sisters-in-law, Marge Esson and Doris Esson. She is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband, Clifford, daughter, Karen Romanowski, infant granddaughter, Kelsey Rose Kinzer, sisters, Alyce Kehoe and Florence Cormack, brothers-in-law, Roger and Donald Esson, sister-in-

law, LuVerne Caron and step-mother, Mary Curley.

Funeral services for Dorothy will be held at Sturino Funeral Home on Friday May 25, 2018 at 7 p.m. Visitation from 5 p.m. until service time.

Dorothy will be laid to rest next to Clifford at Graceland Cemetery at 10 a.m. on Saturday. Please meet at the cemetery entrance.

Above all, Dorothy loved her family. She will be deeply missed by all of her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

The family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to her caregivers at St. Monica's.

In lieu of flowers, a donation to Dementia Society of America would be appreciated.

# Cemetery Details

## Graceland Cemetery

Racine, WI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 25.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sturino Funeral Home  
3014 Northwestern Avenue  
Racine, WI 53404  
(262) 632-4479  
info@sturinofuneralhome.com

## Funeral Service

**MAY 25.** 7:00 PM (CT)

Sturino Funeral Home  
3014 Northwestern Avenue  
Racine, WI 53404  
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## Graveside Service

**MAY 26.** 10:00 AM (CT)

Graceland Cemetery  
Racine, WI



# Tribute Wall



“ *Sturino Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dorothy Rose Esson*



Sturino Funeral Home - May 23, 2018 at 05:14 PM



“ *80 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Sturino Funeral Home - August 13, 2018 at 04:02 PM



“ *Rest in Peace Mrs. Esson. One of the nicest Lady's I've ever met. My Sympathys Juliette, Laura, Barb, Diana, Eric, Alex and all Family and Friends.*

Jeffrey W Johnson - May 25, 2018 at 02:34 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dorothy Rose Esson.*



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May 25, 2018 at 01:33 PM



“ *My heart and prayers go out to all of you! I have always loved hearing the stories Laura has shared with me about the love that your parents had for one another! I hope those memories give you peace and strength knowing that she is happily in your fathers arms!*



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**Heather Schaefer** - May 25, 2018 at 01:16 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dorothy Rose Esson.*



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May 24, 2018 at 04:57 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dorothy Rose Esson.*



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May 23, 2018 at 08:07 PM



“ 0 file added to the tribute wall

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**Sturino Funeral Home** - May 23, 2018 at 04:07 PM



“ Our prayers and love go out to Eric, Shelley, Collin, Peyton, Harper, and all the Esson family as you grieve your loss of Dorothy.  
Bill and Jan Graf

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**Jeanette Wojciuk-Graf** - May 23, 2018 at 01:55 PM



“ Dear Laura and family. My deepest sympathies in the loss of your mother. She has always been reminded as one of the Friendliest Moms in the neighborhood back in the day. I so wish I could be there for you, but Rudy has had another surgery. I will be with you in prayer. Prayers to you all.  
Debbie Jenkins Coca

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**Deborah Jenkins Coca** - May 23, 2018 at 05:08 AM