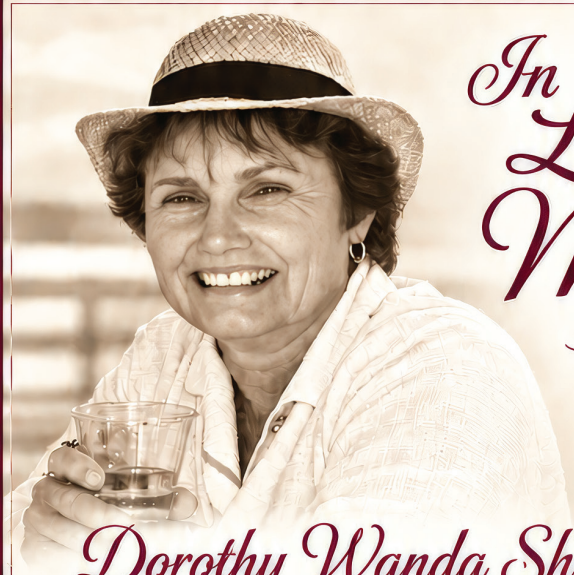


In Loving Memory

Dorothy Wanda Shupe Bogetti

Nov. 9, 1931 – Sept. 14, 2026

Dorothy Wanda Shupe Bogetti passed away peacefully on September 14, 2026, at the age of 94.

Dorothy was born to Claude and Fern Shupe in Nebraska on November 9, 1931. As a toddler, she moved with her parents and four siblings to California, where she attended Tracy schools and graduated from Tracy High School in 1950.

That same fall, Dorothy married her high school sweetheart, Albert Bogetti, beginning a remarkable 71-year marriage built on faith, family, and love. They shared their lives until Albert's passing five years ago, creating along the way a large and loving family that became the center of Dorothy's world.

Together they raised five children: Paulette Bogetti, Paula (Jerry) Finton, Angela Bogetti, Michael (Laurie) Bogetti, and Albert (Elaine) Bogetti. Their family grew to include 16 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren—a legacy that brought Dorothy immeasurable joy.

If there was one theme that defined Dorothy's life, it was giving. She gave her time, her talents, her energy, and, most of all, herself. Dorothy truly put the "home" in homemaker. She was a talented and enthusiastic seamstress who lovingly sewed everything from outfits for her grandchildren to wear in the annual Christmas card to wedding and prom dresses. She mended more pairs of jeans than anyone could count and shared her talent with generations of young people by teaching 4-H sewing for more than 25 years.

Dorothy also expressed her love through food. She was an unmatched talent in the kitchen, preparing wonderful meals for her family and making candy and pies for family and friends. For many years, she spearheaded the Sweet Shop at St. Bernard's Fall Festival, sharing those talents with the larger community she loved.

And somehow, Dorothy always seemed to have more to give.

She coached countless sports teams, from boys' Little League to girls' city league softball. And if Coach Dorothy found herself short a player, she wasn't above stepping onto the field herself—and sometimes ending up the Most Valuable Player!

She led Brownie and Girl Scout troops, drove the little yellow bus from the country into St. Bernard's School, and made certain she was there for the moments that mattered. She attended the births of grandchildren, baptisms, birthday parties, graduations, sporting events, and countless family celebrations. If someone she loved had something important happening, Dorothy was there.

Her giving spirit extended well beyond her family. She managed St. Bernard's Religious Store and The Orchard Restaurant in Vernalis and was always willing to lend her time and talents wherever they were needed.

Dorothy was also a founding member of Card Club, a group made up mostly of farmers' wives from the Vernalis and New Jerusalem area who gathered each month to play cards. What began as a card game became a treasured circle of friendship that endured for more than 70 years—a beautiful reflection of Dorothy's gift for creating relationships that lasted a lifetime.

And through all of this—the children and grandchildren, sewing and cooking, coaching and volunteering, celebrations and friendships—Dorothy still somehow found time to do the laundry, mop the floors, dust the house, and even iron!

But perhaps Dorothy's greatest gift was not any one thing she made, cooked, coached, managed, or accomplished. Her greatest gift was the way she made herself available to the people she loved. She showed up. She helped. She gave freely and generously, without needing recognition or praise.

Her hands were rarely still, because there was always someone to care for, something to make, somewhere to help, or someone to encourage. And through those countless ordinary acts of love, she created an extraordinary legacy.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Albert, infant daughter Annette, and siblings Raymond Shupe, Claudia Arnaudo, Dale Shupe, and Mae Wible.

She leaves behind a remarkable family and generations of people whose lives are richer because Dorothy Bogetti was part of them. The things she made will eventually wear out, the meals will become cherished memories, and the games and celebrations will fade into family stories. But the kindness she gave so freely—and the example she set for how to love and care for others—will continue through her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and all those fortunate enough to have known her.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a charitable contribution to the St. Bernard's Building Fund, 163 W. Eaton Ave., Tracy, CA 95376.

Funeral services are scheduled for Tuesday, September 29, at St. Bernard's Catholic Church, 163 W. Eaton Ave., Tracy. The Rosary will begin at 10:30 a.m., followed by the Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 a.m. She will be laid to rest at Tracy Public Cemetery.