



# **Aphrodite Barbatis “Dyckie” O’Shell**

July 26, 1929 - June 19, 2023

## **Mass of Christian Burial**

Saturday, June 24, 2023 1:30 p.m.

St. Anne Catholic Church

Beaumont, Texas

Processional

*“Eye Has Not Seen”*

## **GATHERING RITE**

### **GREETING AND BLESSING OF THE BODY**

As a reminder of Aphrodite’s Baptism, her casket has been sprinkled with Baptismal water. Then, a pall, recalling the white garment of her Baptism, is placed on the casket.

*“If we have died with Christ, we are also to live with Christ in glory.”*

Opening Prayer

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

First Reading

Isaiah 25:6a, 7-9

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23

Response: *“Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,  
beyond my fears, from death into life.”*

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-5a, 6b-7

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Reading

John 14:1-6

Homily

Prayer of the Faithful

Response: *“Lord, hear our prayer.”*

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts	<i>“Prayer of St. Francis”</i>
Eucharistic Acclamations	Holy, Holy, Holy Mystery of Faith Great Amen
Communion Rite	The Lord’s Prayer Sign of Peace Lamb of God
Communion	<i>“On Eagle’s Wings”</i>
Meditation	<i>“Ave Maria”</i>
Prayer After Communion	

## FINAL COMMENDATION

Invitation of Prayer

Song of Farewell:

**PRESIDER:** Saints of God, come to her aid. Hasten to meet her angels of the Lord.

**ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.**

**PRESIDER:** May Christ, who called you, take you to Himself, and may the angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

**ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.**

**PRESIDER:** Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

**ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.**

Prayer of Commendation

Recessional *“A Blessing”*



***Dyckie O'Shell***, a loving mother, devoted Catholic, and source of joy and inspiration to all who knew her, passed away at the age of 93. She left behind a legacy of kindness, compassion, and a radiant spirit that touched the lives of many.

Born in Beaumont, Texas, on July 26, 1929, Dyckie was the beloved daughter of Christine and Dimitri Barbatis, and the proud younger sister of Marie Barbatis Keriotis. She was raised in the most loving home and spent a good part of her childhood in her parents' restaurant, Christy's, located in downtown

Beaumont. Dyckie's early years shaped her into a compassionate and caring individual who carried those values throughout her life. Her Greek heritage gave her an enormous sense of pride and paved the road to many lifelong friendships.

Dyckie's education began at St. Anthony's School, where she not only received an excellent education but also forged lifelong friendships. It was during her time at St. Anthony that she crossed paths with Vincent O'Shell, the love of her life and her future husband.

After graduating from St. Anthony High School, she attended the University of Houston, where she pursued a master's degree in education. This began her career as a teacher to students in both Houston and Beaumont.

Dyckie's faith was an integral part of her life, and her devotion to the Catholic Church, particularly St. Anne Catholic Church and St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica. She found solace and strength in her beliefs, and her spirituality guided her actions and interactions with others.

Above all, Dyckie cherished her role as a loving mother to her children, Cynthia, Doria, and Michael. Her unconditional love, support, and

unwavering belief in their potential nurtured their growth and shaped them into the individuals they are today. Dyckie's love extended beyond her immediate family, as she possessed a remarkable ability to make everyone she encountered feel special and appreciated. With a kind word and a heartfelt compliment, she uplifted those around her, leaving a lasting impact on their lives.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, V. J. O'Shell; her sister, Marie Keriotis; and sister-in-laws, Marja O'Shell and Annette Polite.

Dyckie is survived by her daughter, Cynthia Goehringer and her husband, Charlie; daughter, Doria Hanna and husband, Jay; son, Michael and wife, Christina; as well as her grandchildren, Marti and Sosh Goehringer; Kendall and Christine Hanna; Allie and Michael O'Shell III; who all affectionately called her Aiya. She also leaves behind her devoted niece, Christine Keriotis, and nephew, Jim Keriotis, as well as Gracelyn Miller and Joey Breaux.



The void left by Dyckie's passing will be deeply felt by all who had the privilege of knowing her. Her infectious laughter, warm embrace, and genuine interest in others will be greatly missed. However, her memory will forever remain in the hearts of those she touched with her love and kindness.

In this time of grief, the family extends their heartfelt gratitude for the support and condolences received by her caregivers who include Florencia Cortez, Delores Velis, Reyna Perez, Sylvia Reyes, Agatha Boniface, and Victoria Cardenas, as well as Dr. Al Brady, Dr Joseph Denton Harris and Dr. Reynolds Delgado.

Rest in eternal peace, dear Dyckie, knowing that your love and light will continue to shine brightly in the lives of all those who were fortunate enough to have known you.





























## GOD'S GREATEST GIFT TO YOU

Of all the things God has granted you  
Nothing can compare  
To the mother He has given you  
So wonderful and so fair

She loves you with all her heart, beyond all human reason,  
Her love only grows and grows, with each passing season

She makes each day special ~ like Christmas for you and me,  
Thank God for her just as I do ~ Today, tomorrow and eternally

You've filled her days with happiness and joy ~ Given her life to  
its fullest measure

Each of you is like a rare jewel adorning her soul  
You are her greatest treasure

The thrill of her life was taking "the sisters" out for a little shopping  
Though Doris' diaper was full, Mom wouldn't stop... she just let  
it keep on slopping ~

She carried Michael almost without pain, except for the kicking'  
she said didn't matter ~

But alas, it still continued after birth ~ It turned out to be a bad gall bladder

As you grow older, Mom opened the house to Cynthia's wild bunch ~  
Screaming voices, wrecked cars, broken plate glass, cigarette stains  
and their curly locks ~

In really lucky they only stole my socks ~

With her Greek philosophys

She'd be there where ever the need would be... be it Denver,  
Dallas, or Wt. at Austin

So please, my dears, try to stay close

Don't end up some place like far away old Boston

So if I tell you she's God's greatest gift

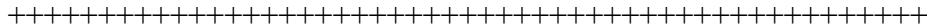
Dear sisters and little brother

It's my way of thanking God for my greatest gift in life,  
The beautiful Greek lady who is my wife and your mother ~

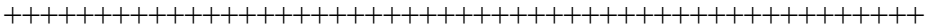
I love You,  
Dad



Calligraphy: Barbara Black



Celebrant	Reverend Monsignor Salvador Culotta
Deacon of the Mass	Reverend Mr. Frank Maida
Placing of the Pall	Marti Goehringer, Sosh Goehringer Kendall Hanna, Christine Hanna Allie O'Shell, Michael O'Shell
Gift Bearers	Susan Russell and Stephanie Roberts
Lectors	Danny Serio and Anne East
Organist	Dr. Sam Giglio
Cantor	Judy Serio
Pallbearers	Jay Hanna, Charlie Goehringer, Marshall Slacter David Major, Sosh Goehringer Michael O'Shell, Jim Keriotis



*A reception will be held in the Parish Hall  
immediately following the Mass.*

**Interment**  
Forest Lawn Memorial Park  
Beaumont, Texas



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Please sign Mrs. O'Shell's guest book and share your memories at  
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