

Dorothy Brugnola Cromer

October 14, 1930 ~ April 8, 2025

It is with great sadness that we, her family and friends, announce the passing of our beloved Dorothy from this earthly life on the morning of April 8th, 2025. Dorothy was 94 years old.

Dorothy (Brugnola) Cromer was born on October the 14th, 1930 in Liverpool, England. She was the daughter of Mary Catherine (Cissie) and Francis Brugnola. She had one younger brother, Francis (Frank) Brugnola.

Being a studious child, Dorothy was chosen to attend an academically selective all-girls Catholic school. Her academic studies were briefly interrupted when during World War II, the British government executed an evacuation plan called Operation Pied Piper to which Dorothy and her brother, Frank, along with most of the children from Liverpool were evacuated via train to other parts of Great Britain. Dorothy and her brother stayed with a family in Wales for a short time while the city prepared for possible aerial bombing raids.

After the war, life slowly returned to a “new” normal. Dorothy left school in 1946 and secured a job in the financial district. Living in the heart of the city, she spent Friday evenings with friends dancing the night away, often ending the evening with a stroll along the River Mersey.

At the age of 22, Dorothy and her cousin John converted to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and later set off on the steamship, SS Britannic, enduring rough seas, before docking in New York City on November 3, 1952. Dorothy eventually settled in Salt Lake City, living there until the time of her passing.

Dorothy married Lyman Cromer at the age of 25 and spent 22 years with him, traveling to their favorite destinations like the Big Sur in California or to their cabin in West Yellowstone. She and Lyman often spent summer evenings in West Yellowstone fishing along the banks of the Shoshone and Fall Rivers. When not traveling to their favorite cities, Dorothy and Lyman worked side by side running a successful brokerage business. Lyman adored Dorothy and was completely devoted to her. In his later years, Dorothy cared for him until his passing in 1977.

Dorothy was incredibly kind and generous. She also had a great sense of humor. She was an elegant lady and enjoyed the many fine things in life. This included evenings with friends at the symphony, opera, or Hale Center Theater. Some of her happiest memories were attending the Shakespearean festival in Southern Utah and the Royal Shakespeare theater in London. She also enjoyed various plays and musicals in New York and London.

Dorothy would live half the year In England spending time with her mum and family until her mum passed away in September of 2001. She always called her beloved Liverpool “home”. She had a passion for travel. With several friends, she traversed through Egypt, Isreal, Africa, most of Europe and the Caribbean. She also embarked on many cruises that took her all over the world.

In her later years, she spent Friday evenings playing bridge with good friends and often participated in many bridge tournaments. She enjoyed this endeavor for many years and was very grateful to her bridge friends for their

kindness and patience when her eyesight began to fail. `

Dorothy lived a long and exciting life. She faced her trials with dignity and never complained when she lost her eyesight or had severe chronic pain due to scoliosis and arthritis. Dorothy was a cherished companion and a friend to all. She will be missed by those she called family, loved ones, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Francis and Cissie; brother, Frank; nephew, John; and her spouse, Lyman. She is survived by her sister-in-law, Mary; niece, Nicky; and nephew, Paul. She shared a lifetime of long and loving friendships in a community surrounded by many who loved her.

In honor of Dorothy, a service will be held Thursday April 24, at 11 am at The Olympus Hills Ward of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 4176 Adonis Dr. Salt Lake City, Utah, 84124. A visitation will be held the same day beginning at 10 am.