

## Brigadier Dorothy Berry

Promoted To Glory September 10, 1983

The Founder, William Booth said, "As men and women go to prison, in and out, in and out, I'll fight!" Brigadier Dolly Berry was that "fighting hand" of William Booth.

Dolly Berry was compassionate and patient with the alcoholic, the drug addict, the prostitute. She was quite impatient with those of us who were not doing enough for prison inmates.

Dolly was bold for the lord; asking nothing for herself, but asked much and often for her Lord and "girls." She didn't count time by hours, rather by things that were done for people - yours meant nothing to her.

Her people, addicts, thieves, prostitutes, were not nice or attractive, but it was Dolly who "loved the unloved in the Legion of the lost." She took the Lord Jesus to the people; her best counselling took place in jail cells, in a dungy flat or on the street.

She could call you in any town to do something for one of her girls; and often did. Dolly recruited volunteers at T.H.Q. and D.H.Q. in New York to go and meet a girl at the prison gate and see that she got to the room that Dolly had arranged for her.

She knew her girls; their names, offenses, strength's, weaknesses and needs. They trust her and she them. And though many let her down, many also succeeded.

Dolly became one of The Salvation Army's "Greats" in the Prison Ministry; along-side Shepherd, Colonel Carl Duiell, Major Thomas Cowan and more. Shakespeare said, "Some are born great, some achieve greatness and others have greatness thrust upon them." So it was with Dolly.

Lt.-Colonel H. Poole

BRIGADIER DOROTHY BERRY

Date of Birth: November 1, 1901  
From: New York, NY  
Occupation: Stenographer

Date	Corps Appointment
Sep 9 1926	Training College, New York, NY
Jun 22 1927	Cadet Sergeant
Jun 25 1928	Captain Training College Staff
Jul 27 1932	Cincinnati, Ohio Special Work
Oct 12 1932	Cincinnati #3, Ohio--Corps Officer
Jun 26 1937	Adjutant
Jan 19 1939	Transferred to Eastern New York Division Albany, New York--Corps Officer
May 3 1939	Transferred to Territorial Headquarters Field Department
Jun 27 1942	Major
Aug 13 1945	Director--Women's Prisons Bureau
Jan 2 1952	Senior Major
Apr 15 1959	Brigadier
Nov 1 1964	Retired
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## Major Earl W. Camuti

EAST NORTHPORT, NY—Major Earl Camuti, one of the most respected corps officers in the Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware Division for more than 20 years, was promoted to Glory on Aug. 31. His work at Wilkes-Barre and Harrisburg, PA Corps established him as a diligent and productive leader.

Major Camuti was born March 21, 1926 in Astoria, Long Island and attended The Salvation Army corps as a small boy, eventually persuading his entire family to attend services with him. It was at Astoria where he first fell in love with Army music and in time became the corps bandmaster.

From the corps in Astoria, the major entered the Salvation Army school for officers' training in New York, NY and was commissioned a probationary-lieutenant on June 18, 1945. He served in his early years at the Erie (Citadel), Kane, Pittsburgh (Northside) and Connellsville, PA corps.

Major Camuti married Dorothy Olley in 1947 and they served together in corps at New York (Bronx), Brooklyn (Bushwick), New York (Times Square) and Mount Vernon, NY, and Chillicothe and Piqua, OH before their transfer to the Southeastern Pennsylvania Division in 1962. A year and one half at the Temple Corps in Philadelphia preceded their

final appointments of note in Wilkes-Barre for 12 years and Harrisburg as corps officer and tri-county coordinator for 8 years.

During his years in Wilkes-Barre the major oversaw the erection of a new corps and community center. In Harrisburg he was responsible for building a formidable Salvation Army association of 2,000 members.

Captain William Bamford presided at funeral services for Major Camuti with Lt. Colonel Charles Southwood, divisional commander for the Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware Division, presenting the message. Words of tribute were offered by Captain Robert Reel and Clinton Hollings. Captain Robert Pfeiffer sang a solo "Face to Face."

The committal service at Kensico Cemetery was conducted by Lt. Colonel Wallace Conrath, Eastern territorial secretary for program.

Major Camuti is survived by his wife and three children; Mrs. Steven (Dorothy) Rlenhart, Mrs. David (Evelyn) Sears and Cadet Dennis Camuti; four sisters, Mrs. Clinton (Irene) Hollings, Mrs. George (Florence) Caradina, Mrs. Robert (Margaret) Tallon, and Mrs. Harry (Josephine) Twaddle; two brothers, Vincent and Milton and two grandchildren.

## Brigadier Dorothy Berry (R)

ASBURY PARK, NJ—Brigadier Dorothy Berry (R) was promoted to Glory on Sept. 10. The funeral service was conducted by Lt.-Colonel Harry Poole with Major Andrew Nelson presiding.



A tribute by a comrade officer was given by Major Mary C. Davis. Lt. Colonel Thomas Gorman (R) sang a solo.

Major Nelson officiated at the committal service at Kensico Cemetery in Valhalla, NY. A memorial service was conducted at the New York Temple Corps, NY with special remarks by Lt. Colonel Mina Russell (R) and memorial tributes by Brigadier James Henderson (R) and Major Mary C. Davis.

Dorothy Berry was born Nov. 1, 1901. She entered The Salvation Army school for officers' training in New York City in 1926. In June 1927 she was designated a cadet sergeant on the training school staff and the next year received her promotion to captain.

Appointment in 1932 to a special work assignment at the divisional headquarters in Cincinnati, OH was followed by corps ap-

pointments to the #3 and #1 corps.

Major Berry transferred to the Eastern New York Division and the corps command at Albany, NY in 1938. Two years later she was assigned to the territorial field department in New York and in 1945 became the director for the women's prison bureau for the Eastern Territory.

The major remained in this appointment until her retirement in 1964. Her normal period of service had been extended three years at the time of retirement. She was admitted to the Long Service Order and received her star denoting 35 years service in 1962.

Lt. Colonel Poole described the brigadier as "compassionate and patient with the alcoholic, the drug addict, the prostitute. She was quite impatient with those of us who were not doing enough for prison inmates. She was bold for the Lord; asking nothing for herself, but much and often for her Lord and "girls." She didn't count time by hours, rather by things that were done for people."

During the last years of her life, as illness overtook her and her physical strength waned, the brigadier was lovingly cared for by her surrogate family, Grace and Charles Van Pelt.

## Mrs. Major Rolf Ogren (R)

WORCESTER, MA—Funeral services for Mrs. Major Rolf Ogren (R), who was promoted to Glory on Sept. 6, were conducted by Brigadier Gustav F. Johnson (R). A duet, "Tryggare Kan Ingen Vara" was sung by Brigadier and Mrs. Fridolf Anderson (R). A tribute was given by Dr. Allen F. Johnson.

The committal service at the New Swedish Cemetery was conducted by Lieutenant Kenneth Kristiansen, commanding officer for the Quinsigamond Corps.

Ruth was born in Sweden on Sept. 19, 1900, the daughter of Axel and Hilda Anderson. She served the Lord as a Salvation Army officer in Sweden and Africa, and in the United States at Worcester #2, MA, Providence #2, RI, Philadelphia #10, PA and Bridgeport, CT.

She married Rolf A. V. Ogren and as married officers they were assigned to Staten Island (West New Brighton) NY, Cleveland, OH, and Brockton, Worcester (Belmont) and Springfield MA. Since their retirement in 1966, the Ogren's have lived in Worcester. Mrs. Ogren had been an active officer for 42 years at the time of retirement.

Mrs. Major Ogren is survived by her husband and a daughter, Margaret E. Ogren.

## Major Mary Davis (R)

CAMBRIDGE, MA—Major Mary Davis (R) was promoted to Glory on Aug. 18 from the Neville Manor Nursing Home. Funeral services were conducted by Captain Randall Davis, Citadel Corps commanding officer, with Major Charles Williams presiding.



Major Davis was born March 18, 1890. She became an officer in The Salvation Army in 1913 out of the Boston #1, MA Corps. Her first appointments were in the southern states at Charleston #2, SC and Richmond #2, VA.

In Oct., 1922, the major transferred to women's social work and was assigned to the Rescue Home in Cincinnati, OH. She served in that appointment for 17½ years and then moved on to a similar appointment in Cleveland, OH where she remained until her retirement on Jan. 1, 1950.

Major Davis was admitted to the Long Service Order in recognition of 35 years service on July 28, 1948.

Surviving family members of Major Davis are a brother, James and two nieces, Florence Betts and Patty Darby.

For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain *Philippians 1:6*