



## Virginia "Ginny" Maxine Yansen

June 16, 1925 - November 16, 2020

ADRIAN – Virginia “Ginny” Maxine Yansen, 95, of Adrian, Michigan, was peacefully called to be with her heavenly Father on November 16, 2020. Virginia was born June 16, 1925 on an Ohio farm to Alma and Walter Cryer. She was the youngest of six children, Donald Cryer, Ethel Wilson, Earl Cryer, Elmer Cryer and William Cryer. She and her husband George Yansen lived in Pontiac, Sand Creek and Adrian, Michigan over their 64 years of marriage.

Left to cherish her memory are her daughter Johanna Lynn Bauer (Ron), her grandchildren, Barrett Lewis (Eileen), Ron Bauer (Karen Anderson), Lisa Wade (Bryant), and Amy Mendeljian (Grant) and nine great grandchildren, Emerson Lewis, Sam Aylesworth, Lindsay Bauer, Brock Anderson, Cade Anderson, Carter Wade, Caitlyn Wade, Ryan Mendeljian and Reese Mendeljian.

Ginny received her Bachelor of Education degree from Bowling Green State University in Ohio, and a Master’s degree in guidance and counseling from Wayne State University in Michigan. During her 30 years as an educator, Ginny was a music, English and social studies teacher and a junior high counselor in the Pontiac School District, Pontiac, Michigan. After retirement, she and George built a retirement home in Sand Creek, Michigan where they lived for 13 years. They then moved to Richlyn Manor in Adrian, where she lived for over 26 years before moving to Charlotte Stephenson Manor at age 93. While at Charlotte Stephenson Manor, Ginny continued to be active in community activities, her church and a variety of activities at CSM.

Over her lifetime, Ginny received many honors, belonged to Apha Chi Omega sorority, Delta Kappa Gamma, and was a lifelong member of the Methodist Church (in Pontiac and Adrian), serving on numerous committees, and singing in the choir. In her retirement Ginny was also an active member of PEO, Monday Literary Club, and United Methodist Women, serving on the Annual Conference for 15 years.

Ginny loved people, loved life, and lived life to the fullest. She and George loved to travel,

traveling to almost all of the United States, many countries in Europe, and Australia and New Zealand. Ginny enjoyed staying in touch with her many friends and family through phone calls and sending the “perfect card” to recognize a birthday, an anniversary, a special event, an accomplishment, or to just let others know that she cared and was thinking of them.

Visitation will be held at Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian on Saturday, November 21, 2020 from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m., with a funeral service following at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Eric Stone officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the Yansen Education Scholarship at Adrian College or to Adrian First United Methodist Church.

Following the Governor’s executive order, all attendees are required to wear a proper face covering, with the exception of those under the age of five years old or those who cannot medically tolerate. For those unable to be present, a live streaming of the service will be accessible from Ginny’s tribute wall on [www.WagleyFuneralHome.com](http://www.WagleyFuneralHome.com), where a link to view the recording will be available for 90 days.

Online memories and condolences may be shared at [www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com](http://www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com)

# Events

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**NOV** **Visitation** 12:00PM - 02:00PM

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Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)

1501 W. Maumee St., Adrian, MI, US, 49221

**NOV** **Service** 02:00PM

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# Comments

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“ A webcast video has been added.



**Wagley Funeral Home** - November 17, 2020 at 01:48 PM



“ What a beautiful touching tribute to our Aunt Ginny!! Thank You, ALL. She IS at peace.

Gene Wilson

**Gene Wilson** - November 21, 2020 at 03:24 PM



“ Beautiful service for Mrs Yansen.

**Leora Hudspeth** - November 21, 2020 at 03:24 PM



“ Beautiful remembrance & tribute to Grandma Ginny

**Carol Esposito** - November 21, 2020 at 03:26 PM



“ R.I.P. my friend Ginny, I Love you Karen

**karen Chapnan** - November 21, 2020 at 03:41 PM



“ What a beautiful and meaningful service for a very special human being

**Jane Paterra** - November 22, 2020 at 11:04 PM



“ Wonderful service. Ginny was a great neighbor.

Ken and Amy

**Ken VanOostendorp** - November 23, 2020 at 05:45 AM

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“ Jo,

I am grateful for being able to see your mother's service online. Ginny was an amazing woman and a friend from Central UMC and Washington Jr. High where I taught math from 1965-68. Lou and I remember you from MYF! Thank you for the meaningful, warm memories. We also remember Gordy and Gaynell. Your mother was a shining light and friend for many - I know you and your family treasure the time you had together with both your parents.

Fondly,  
Brenda DuPree

**Brenda DuPree** - December 12, 2020 at 02:39 PM

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“ Ginny was a close and caring friend of my Mom, Alice Witcher..They called each other every day to check in and make sure both were OK. They shared many UMW activities and knew they could count on each other to be there to work together. The last time I talked with her was after Mom's funeral when I shared some flowers with her because she was unable to attend. She was so kind always and we shed tears together. May she rest in peace with George, Mom and others who loved her.

**Sharon Lane** - November 19, 2020 at 08:36 PM

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“ Linda Bauer purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Virginia "Ginny" Maxine Yansen.



**Linda Bauer** - November 19, 2020 at 08:58 AM

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“ Patti Cryer lit a candle in memory of Virginia "Ginny" Maxine Yansen



Patti Cryer - November 18, 2020 at 07:34 PM

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“ Ginny was my Aunt through marriage. I adored her.  
The visits in her home, dinners out or a play at The Crosswell, Ginny was always so excited to be sharing fellowship with us. She loved visits when we brought the dogs, and they were always on their best behavior knowing they were at Aunt Ginny's. Ginny cared and was genuinely interested in what I had to say, our conversations were really wonderful. I'll miss you and I'll never forget you.  
Jo know your mom touched so many others and the memories you will keep in your heart  
are so wonderful Love,  
Patti Cryer

Patti Cryer - November 18, 2020 at 07:33 PM

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“ I was fortunate to have known Ginny as I work at Charlotte Stephenson Manor. I work in activities and she loved crafts and games we played. Her favorite games were “noodle ball” and Bingo. She was always the first Face I would see when I came to work. What a lovely person she was and what a beautiful smile she had on her face every day! I will truly miss this classy lady!

kari Jackson - November 18, 2020 at 07:11 PM

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“ 72 files added to the album LifeTributes



Wagley Funeral Home - November 18, 2020 at 02:53 PM

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“ Johanna and Ron,  
I am so saddened to read about your mother's passing. I never met Ginny, but after all these years of knowing her through stories, memories and FB postings by you, I feel like I knew her well, and what an extraordinary woman she was! I wish you both comfort and peace at this difficult time.  
Sending much love,  
Annette

Annette McNabb - November 18, 2020 at 10:06 AM

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“ Annette McNabb lit a candle in memory of Virginia "Ginny" Maxine Yansen



Annette McNabb - November 18, 2020 at 09:59 AM

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“ I am so sorry! Know that I share your loss and hope you will find comfort in the memories that are yours to cherish, forever

Jane Paterra - November 18, 2020 at 01:19 AM

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“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Virginia "Ginny" Maxine Yansen.



November 17, 2020 at 08:13 PM

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“ Chistine Green lit a candle in memory of Virginia "Ginny" Maxine Yansen



chistine green - November 17, 2020 at 07:45 PM

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“ Ginny, I enjoyed visiting you at Richlyn and later at Charlotte Stephenson. You were always kind, always gracious. I remember George with fondness too. I miss you both. May you enjoy now the peace of God.

Chris Brundage - November 17, 2020 at 07:44 PM

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“ Oh dear Ginny, you were one of my best friends. I loved our visits and with education and church in common, we never ran out of things to talk about! I hope I am just like you when I grow up! You were SO talented, creative, well-read and so on-the-ball. Thank you for adding so much to my life.

Enjoy heaven, Ginny. love, Kim

Kimberly Steudle - November 17, 2020 at 11:07 AM