



## Mary L. (Jedele) Ray

April 15, 1938 - January 8, 2026

ADRIAN- Mary L. (Jedele) Ray, age 87, of Adrian, MI passed away on Thursday, January 8, 2026, at Lenawee Medical Care Facility under the care of Hospice of Lenawee and surrounded by her family.

Mary was born on April 15, 1938, the oldest daughter of Arthur and Crystle (Fortman) Jedele. She was raised in Manchester, MI and graduated from Manchester High School in 1956.

Mary was introduced to Carter Ray while he was home on leave from the Marines and what an impression he made. It did not take them long to realize they had met their special person and were married in October 1956. They have been married for 68 wonderful years and raised 3 daughters Gail, Linda and Dawn. Mary taught her daughters how to love and be there for others. She demonstrated what it was like to be a nurturing and supportive mother and wife.

Mary and Carter decided to take up golf in the late 1970's. They had no idea how this sport would bring them so much joy. Whenever they were traveling, Mary and Carter made sure to pack their clubs as they always took time to hit the greens. They made lifelong friends through their golf leagues, sharing many laughs and adventures over the years.

In addition to her husband, Carter, Mary is survived by their daughters, Gail Ray Bradley, Linda Ray Grauman and Dawn Ray; grandchildren, Brandi Bradley, Brent Rutherford, Scott Rutherford, Sara Rutherford and Kelly Baker; 4 great-grandchildren; sister, June Jedele Metty; 3 nieces and 1 nephew; and a treasured friend of more than 40 years, Ann Ballard. She was preceded in death by her parents.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, June 13, 2026, from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at Carr Park in Manchester.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian, where online condolences and memories may be shared at [www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com](http://www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Oak Grove Cemetery

Manchester, MI 48158

# Upcoming Events

## Celebration of Life

JUN 13. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Carr Park  
600 W. Main Street  
Manchester, MI 48158

# Tribute Wall

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“ *My deepest sympathies to Carter, The girls and Grandchildren and to Ann, I am so very sorry for the loss of Mary, it absolutely broke my heart to see this. I have such great memories of Mary, Carter and Ann at the Tecumseh VFW where they would eat lunch after playing golf. I would always chuckle because Mary would bring her own salad dressing. I will miss her and always hold a special place in my heart. Thank you for the friendship and memories Mary* 💜



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**Kellie Hyder** - March 11 at 10:12 PM

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“ *I grew up next to Mary and Carter. They were the kindest people. They would love to sit and chat. If you saw them coming or going, it was usually going to or coming back from the golf course. I hope that your memories bring a smile to you like the one Mary always seem to have.*  
*Kaitlin (Williams) Emmons*

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**Kaitlin Emmons** - March 11 at 06:54 PM