



Mary A. Relyea

October 2, 1948 - December 10, 2023

CLAYTON – Mary A. Relyea, 75, of Clayton, died Sunday, December 10, 2023, at her home.

She was born October 2, 1948, in Hudson, Michigan, the only daughter of Ralph and Meda (Knauss) VanNorman. In 1966, Mary graduated from Sand Creek High School where she met her future husband, Charles Relyea. Their relationship started on the senior class trip to Washington, D.C. Six years later, on July 29, 1972, they were married and spent the next 51 years creating wonderful memories.

Prior to graduation Mary began working at the Emma L. Bixby Hospital. Mary's dedication to her work and the patients led to a career that spanned over five decades. She retired in 2021. In her spare time Mary enjoyed crocheting and sewing.

Mary will be greatly missed by her family including her mother, Meda; husband, Charles; children, Michael (Julia) Relyea and Christy Relyea; grandchildren, Connor, Ryan, Eric and Angelina; and her brothers, Paul (Carol) VanNorman, Gary (Jo) VanNorman and Gene (Elvira) VanNorman. She was preceded in death by her father.

Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m., Monday, December 18, 2023, at Wagley Funeral Home in Adrian, with Pastor Christy Shaw officiating. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery. Visitation will be held at the funeral home Sunday, from 2-5 p.m.

Online condolences and memories are welcome at www.WagleyFuneralHome

s.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 17. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)
1501 W. Maumee St.
Adrian, MI 49221
(517) 263-1400
info@wagleyfuneralhome.com
<https://www.WagleyFuneralHome.com>

Funeral Service

DEC 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Burial

DEC 18 (ET)

Oakwood Cemetery
East Siena Heights Drive
Adrian, MI 49221

Following funeral service

Tribute Wall

DB

“ Charlie, Michael, and Christy. Sorry for your loss of your sweet wife and Mother. She always was so kind and caring for everyone. Big hugs for you and comfort at this time.

Donna Briggs - December 17, 2023 at 03:57 PM

SF

“ To the family of Mary, Mary was a wonderful and kind person. Meda, Paul, Gary, Gene and Chuck, May God give you peace knowing that Mary is in heaven and will rise again on the last day. Susan (Cole) Fillinger



susan (Cole) Fillinger - December 17, 2023 at 10:37 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary A. Relyea.



December 17, 2023 at 09:53 AM

TF

“ The Gaborek Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary A. Relyea.

The Gaborek Family - December 17, 2023 at 09:53 AM

SH

“ So sorry for your loss. Mary was a sweet, kind Lady and will surely be missed. Prayers for comfort.

Sharon Knauss Hensen - December 17, 2023 at 08:08 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mary A. Relyea.



December 16, 2023 at 05:29 PM

SP

“ Very sorry to hear of Mary's death. She was a fine lady. My condolences to you, Chuck.

Steve Phenicie - December 16, 2023 at 11:15 AM

SV

“ Susan Vellanti lit a candle in memory of Mary Relyea



Susan Enola Vellanti - December 16, 2023 at 05:38 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mary A. Relyea.*



December 15, 2023 at 07:43 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary A. Relyea.*



December 15, 2023 at 09:15 AM



“ *Condolences to the Relyea and Van Norman families. Mary was a special loving lady, she was always kind whenever I saw her. Remembering all of you in my prayers.*

Jennifer Griffith - December 14, 2023 at 07:32 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mary A. Relyea.*



December 13, 2023 at 08:12 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Mary A. Relyea.*



December 13, 2023 at 06:37 PM



“ *A fellow Sand Creek Class of '66 classmate. A wonderful person, sadly now gone but not forgotten...*

Calvin Schuch

Calvin - December 13, 2023 at 03:43 PM



“ *Chuck, Christy, and Michael, I am so sorry about the loss of your wife and mother. She was a dedicated woman who helped many patients, Doctors, and nurses as she coordinated their care for decades at Bixby. Everyone always treasured " Mary" at Bixby Hospital. I am so blessed that she gave birth to a son I love as much as my own. Thank You, Mary. I look forward to seeing you again one day in Heaven. Gladeen Roberts*

Gladeen Roberts - December 13, 2023 at 01:28 PM



*Paul, Gary, Gene and family
I am so sorry to hear of Mary's passing. She was always so helpful and polite at Bixby. It was so long ago since we were neighbors. She was a wonderful lady.
Susan (Cole) Fillinger*

susan (Cole) Fillinger - December 16, 2023 at 01:58 PM

CA

*Gary, Paul, Gene and Chuck and your families,
Please accept our condolences. Mary was a very kind friend.
Candy (Sneary) Aldrich*

Candy Aldrich - December 26, 2023 at 02:53 PM