



Edna M. Gray

November 8, 1923 - July 30, 2022

Edna May Gray, 98, died peacefully at Telford Lutheran Home, Saturday, July 30, 2022. Preceded in death by her husband and eight siblings, she attended Overbrook High school.

She began work as a typist and worked briefly in California, an adventure with her close sister, Margaret Miller. After returning to Philadelphia area she worked, during WWII, as an engineering secretary at Cramp's Shipbuilding. This where she met her husband, Charles C. Gray, Sr. He passed away in March 1990.

After Charles and Edna raised four children, she went to work for Lower Merion School High School in food services. She was loved by her students and peers. After about 12 years, she retired to enjoy her family. She was a firm believer in family and faith in Jesus.

This showed in her dedication to Ardmore Presbyterian Church where she was a member for over 70 years. She led the Married Couples Social Group for many years and also served as a Deacon.

As her faith was very important, she lived by the "Golden Rule" and instilled it in everyone she met. Such a giving, loving and generous person and always so happy!

One of her favorite past times was going to garage sales on Saturdays. Whoever was with her went shopping too. She also loved music and especially patriotic songs and show tunes, as well as, many of the '40's and 50's greats. Frank Sinatra, Judy Garland and Bing Crosby just to name a few. Flowers were special to her and several of her favorite moments were visiting Longwood Gardens and the Philadelphia Flower show.

A real competitor, she loved to play cards. Bridge and pinochle, were her favorites. She encouraged her children and grandchildren to play, as well even Go Fish. When she moved to Arbour Square in 2014, she soon organized nightly games. She loved board games too and everyone played. Keep an eye on her, she was sneaky.

She is survived by her four children: Charles C Gray, Jr. (Susy), Elizabeth R. Cox (Jim), George W. Gray (Nancy) and Carolyn J. Gray-Benyola (Paul). Edna had six grandchildren: Philip J. Gray (Mary), James A. Cox III, Tom C. Cox (Finace-Caitlin Brennan), David B. Cox, Jannell L. Zent (Chris), Kristin E. Rensel (Kelly). She had a great grandchild: Madison L. Zent.

The family will receive friends at 10:00 AM at Ardmore Presbyterian Church on Thursday, August 4th, where her funeral service will begin at 11:00 AM., followed by a reception. The service will be livestreamed on www.ardmorepres.org/live

The Graveside service will be at St. Paul's Cemetery on August 4, in Ardmore, at 2:30 PM.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to Ardmore Presbyterian Church – Missions, 5 West Montgomery Avenue, Ardmore, PA 19003 or Cradles to Crayons, 4700 Wissahickon Avenue, Suite 142, Philadelphia, PA 19144.

Pass on a kind word to a friend or stranger. She would always make time for everyone and smile.

Previous Events

The family will receive guests

AUG 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Ardmore Presbyterian Church
5 West Montgomery Avenue
Ardmore, PA

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Chadwick and McKinney Funeral Home created a Edna Gray's Service on August 4th at 11 AM in memory of Edna M. Gray



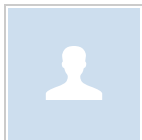
Chadwick and McKinney Funeral Home - August 02, 2022 at 12:31 PM

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“ Three of us were happy to visit with Edna in April and found her to be the same, happy, interested in everything person she always was. She was a lunch after church friend of mine for many years. Always so much fun to be with. She was so kind and thoughtful to everyone she knew, and even to those she didn't know. I will miss our phone calls. God has called a special person home. Rest in glory Edna.

Pearlie Diesinger

Pearlie Diesinger - August 03, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edna M. Gray.



August 03, 2022 at 09:39 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Edna M. Gray.*



August 02, 2022 at 02:53 PM



“ *It was wonderful to have had a lovely relationship with this sweet lady. Carolyn and my daughter, Stacy, were best friends (still are). So we saw a decent amount of time during their high school days. She was amazing! My thoughts and prayers to the family.*

Joan Koser Farrace - August 02, 2022 at 12:33 PM



“ *I was so saddened to learn of Edna Gray's passing. What an incredible influence she had on those around her. She was such a wonderful human being -- always kind to students such as me at Lower Merion -- and what an amazing mother to have produced Carolyn and her siblings! Sending you all much love and sympathy, Tom*

Thomas Underwood - August 02, 2022 at 08:59 AM

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“ Sarah Greene purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Edna M. Gray.



Sarah Greene - August 01, 2022 at 07:02 PM