



Jean Marie Pemberton

June 18, 1939 - June 5, 2026

Jean Marie Pemberton (née Dest), age 86, of Shelby Township, Michigan, passed away peacefully on Friday, June 5, 2026, in Shelby Township.

Jean was born on June 18, 1939, in Detroit, Michigan, to the late William Louis and Anna Dorothy (née Mayercak) Dest. She graduated from Pershing High School in Detroit and went on to build a life centred around family, friendship, and selfless devotion to those she loved.

Jean was a woman of many simple joys. She loved reading, cooking, and spending time with her beloved dog, Ringo. She was known throughout her neighborhood for her friendly nature and genuine interest in others, always taking the time to know her neighbors and lend a helping hand. Jean was a hard worker whose caring heart was evident in the way she lovingly cared for her husband and family.

Above all else, Jean cherished her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. She was generous, selfless, and fiercely devoted to those she loved. Her family will fondly remember her spirited personality-sometimes feisty, always spicy-and the warmth, laughter, and strength she brought into their lives.

Beloved wife of Floyd L. Pemberton. Loving mother of Mark Allan (Virginia)

Hamblin and the late Barbara Jean Greene. Cherished grandmother of Hayley Catherine Hamblin, Mark Allan (Christy) Hamblin Jr., Joshua Rogers, and Matthew Greene. Proud great-grandmother of Cassen Rogers, Brody Rogers, Lily Rogers, Isaiah Maxie, Josiah Maxie, Jayda Hamblin, Bentley Hamblin, Braelynn Hamblin, and Blakely Hamblin.

Dear sister of Susan (Kenneth) Bentley, John (Bernadine) Dest, Mary Ann Rawlins, Emily (Kenneth) Roskos, and Anne (Robert) Kelly. She was preceded in death by her brothers William (Lorraine) Dest, Paul (Joyce) Dest, and Fred (Roberta) Dest.

Jean was also a loving stepmother to Mitch (Wendy) Pemberton and Michele (Dennis) Miller. She was a proud step-grandmother of six grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Jean's kindness, strength, sense of humour, and unwavering love for her family will be deeply missed and forever remembered by all who knew and loved her.

A life well lived leaves behind a legacy of love. Jean's memory will continue to live on in the hearts of her family, friends, neighbors, and all whose lives she touched.

Family and friends will gather to celebrate Jean's life with a visitation at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Road (3 Blks of Van Dyke), Utica, on Thursday, June 11, 2026, from 2-8 pm, and a funeral service will be celebrated on Friday, June 12, 2026, at 11 am from the funeral home.

In memory of Jean donations appreciated to ALS of Michigan 24359 Northwestern Hwy. Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48075 <https://alsofmichigan.org/donation-opportunities>

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Road
Clinton Township, MI 48038

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN 11. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Utica
8459 Hall Road
Utica, MI 48317

Funeral Service

JUN 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

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