



## Martha Ann Gray

July 30, 1952 - September 13, 2023

Martha Ann Gray, a vibrant soul known for her adventurous spirit and love of life, passed away on September 13, 2023, in Birmingham, MI, at the age of 71. Her journey through life was marked by a deep connection with family and friends, a passion for travel and sports, and her love of dogs.

Born on July 30, 1952, in Highland Park, Michigan, Martha was the daughter of William Frederick Gray and Dulce Delphine Stone Gray. She attended Seaholm High School and continued her education at Northern Colorado University and at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, where she cultivated her intellectual curiosity.

Throughout her career, Martha worked in various business offices, with a focus on the financial and law sectors. Her dedication and commitment to her work were evident in all that she undertook. Martha also spent many summers as a volunteer, working in the Cranbrook Gardens in Bloomfield Hills.

Martha enjoyed the grace and exhilaration of ice skating, a sport that allowed her to express her elegance and agility. She possessed an inherently social nature and cherished spending time with friends, creating lasting friendships and memories through shared laughter and camaraderie.

Martha was an adventurer at heart and found immense joy in traveling to new

places, where she could explore different cultures and experiences. She loved traveling to Colorado to visit her brother, Bill's, family. Her love for golf was kindled by her younger brother, Jack, and she relished every outing on the golf course, particularly when surrounded by friends. Her competitive spirit made her always eager for a challenge.

She had a special place in her heart for dogs, finding solace and companionship in their loyal presence. Martha is survived by her brothers, William S. Gray II (Judith) and Jack Gray (Pam), and her nephews and nieces, William P. Gray (Kristina), Gordon M. Gray, Jessica E. Gray, as well as her great-nieces, Lillian Gray, Robin Gray, Karolyn Nelson and Annabelle Nelson.

Martha Ann Gray's life was a testament to the joy of discovery, the bonds of family and friends. Her memory will forever inspire us to embrace life's adventures and cherish the moments spent with those we hold dear. We will all remember Martha for the joy she brought to every event and activity.

Friends and family are invited to pay their respects and share their fond memories of Martha on Friday, September 22, from 3-5 pm at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, located at 705 W. 11 Mile Rd. (4 blocks E. of Woodward), Royal Oak.

In honor of Martha's memory the family kindly requests that memorial contributions be made to Leader Dogs for the Blind at [www.leaderdog.org/donate](http://www.leaderdog.org/donate), Alzheimer's Association Michigan at [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org), or a charity of their choice.

# Cemetery Details

## White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W. Long Lake Road  
Troy, MI 48098

# Previous Events

## Memorial Gathering

SEP **22**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
(248) 541-7000  
royal@sullivanfh.com  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Martha Ann Gray.*



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September 21, 2023 at 01:33 PM



“ *Martha my honorary sister and Aunt Martha to my kids... It will be a decidedly less colorful world with you not in it. I miss you so already, your wit and humor that never ceased to make me gawaw. Your knack for telling it like it is in a world where no one does. My lifelong friend who was as unique as a far away star , I am grateful for being a part of your club. Save a seat for me for when we meet again. Much love to Bill and Jack and theirs, as the weight of her loss seeps into your heart and the ebb and flow of grief pulls you and pushes. You're in my heart today and always . MarySue*

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**MarySue Ryan** - September 19, 2023 at 03:17 PM



*WOW- that is absolutely right on and beautifully written- !-*

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**linda peterson** - October 01, 2023 at 06:03 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Martha Ann Gray.*



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September 18, 2023 at 06:38 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Martha Gray family



Judy - September 18, 2023 at 03:05 PM

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Diane DeBoard - September 18, 2023 at 07:49 AM

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What a nice picture with cousin Gordy

Judy - September 18, 2023 at 09:00 AM



“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Martha Ann Gray.



September 17, 2023 at 04:32 PM

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“ Her cousins, Diane and Gordon DeBoard planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Martha Ann Gray.

Her Diane and Gordon DeBoard - September 17, 2023 at 08:22 AM

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“ Her cousins, Diane and Gordon DeBoard purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Martha Ann Gray.



Her cousins, Diane and Gordon DeBoard - September 17, 2023 at 08:22 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Martha Ann Gray.



September 16, 2023 at 04:22 PM

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**Judith** - September 16, 2023 at 03:45 PM