



## Mary Irene Ash

November 19, 1932 - April 20, 2023

Mary Irene Ash, 90 of Charlotte, MI a kind-hearted farm wife, died peacefully April 20, 2023. Born November 19, 1932 in Charlotte to Nelson and Arlene (Newth) Simpson, Mary was the first in her family to graduate from high school. After high school (graduating on Friday and starting work on Monday) she worked for Bell Telephone. Growing up on a farm, she loved to drive the tractor and after seven years she left the telephone company to help run the farm. Mary met her future husband on a blind date and they courted for three years before they were married in 1954. A proud wife and mother, Mary enjoyed her family and taught them to be kind to others, just as her parents had taught her. Her faith was the center of all things she did in life, always showing others her love for her Lord and Savior.

Mary is survived by her husband of 69 years, Roger; daughters, Anne (Norm) Harris, Anita (Gene) Swayer; grandchildren, Kevin Smith and Rachel Smith. She was predeceased by her sister, Kay Leonard and her parents.

Friends are encouraged to support Mary's family by attending services or sharing memories on her Tribute Page at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com). Visitation is Tuesday, April 25, 2-4 PM and 6-8 PM at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte. Funeral services are Wednesday, April 26, 11:00 AM at Pray Funeral Home with Pastor Josh Landers of of Hillside Community Church Crown Point Indiana officiating. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to

Hospice House of Mid-Michigan. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

# Cemetery Details

## Gresham Cemetery

4100 Mulliken Rd  
Charlotte, MI 48813

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 25. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W. Seminary St.  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Visitation

APR 25. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral

APR 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Mary Irene Ash*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - April 25, 2023 at 03:24 PM



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Irene Ash*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - April 24, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ *Praying for God's comfort and solace for the family of Mary Irene Ash, and our dear friends Anne and Norm Harris, from Hillside Community Church in Crown Point. May God bless!*

*David & Cindi Woodworth*

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**David P Woodworth** - April 26, 2023 at 05:39 PM



“ 37 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - April 24, 2023 at 06:11 PM



“ *Chad & Carol Walker lit a candle in memory of Mary Irene Ash*



**Chad & Carol Walker** - April 24, 2023 at 10:05 AM