



## Florence J. Gray

March 9, 1939 - September 12, 2025

Florence Gray, age 86, of Kalkaska, passed peacefully into the arms of her Savior on September 12, 2025. First and foremost a child of God, Florence's faith was the foundation of her life. She was a devoted mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother, and a cherished friend to many. Her grace, compassion, and unwavering love for God and her family touched everyone she met.

Survived by her children and their families: Ginny Hapner, Ginny's Children: Aaron Hapner, Kellyn Hapner-Wester (Robert) Ginny's Grandchild: Lily Grace Marilyn Buzzard (James) Survived by her stepchildren and their families: Norman Gray Sr. (Nancy) Norman's Children: Norman Gray Jr. (Laura), Jonathan Gray (Erykah), Kendall Gray Norman's Grandchildren: Violet, Jasper Calvin, Delilah Melinda Gray-Tyson (Christopher) Melinda's Children: Roger Anderson, Alan Dodd Jr. (Mary), Kenneth Dodd (Kassandra), Christopher Coxwell, Matt Tyson, Dan Tyson Melinda's Grandchildren: Grayson, Jennifer Vaughn, Tiffany Vargas (Ray), Mason Melinda's Great-grandchildren: Dayton, Annemarie, Luke, Lillian, Lielah, Graelynn, Jacob Also survived by grandson Michael Burkett (son of Dennis Burkett). Preceded in death by: Her beloved husband, Victor Gray Her mother, Samuella Peterson Her sons, Glen Burkett and Dennis Burkett Florence's legacy is one of faith, family, and kindness. She found joy in her garden and loved watching the birds outside her window, able to identify each one by its song. Music was another passion—she loved to sing and play her organ, filling her home with melody and warmth. Florence

will be remembered for the way she made everyone feel welcome, her prayers that brought comfort, and her presence that was a blessing to all who knew her. A memorial service and celebration of Florence's life will be held next spring, when the wildflowers and birds are plentiful.

Arrangements were made by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, our family serving yours.