



Gloria J. Finnegan

March 13, 1944 - August 30, 2025

On August 30, 2025, the world lost a bright light when Gloria Jean Finnegan passed away at Allegria Village in Dearborn. She was 81 years old, but her spirit remained as vibrant and lively as ever until the end.

Gloria was born on March 13, 1944, in Wayne, Michigan and grew up in Norwayne. Her life's journey took her many places - Inkster, Westland, Florida, England, Dearborn, and eventually to Croswell, where she spent 25 wonderful years after retirement before returning to Dearborn this year.

She married Robert Finnegan, the love of her life, who passed in 2021.

Together they built a family and a legacy of love. Gloria is survived by her daughters, Diana Ensign and Cynthia Finnegan; her grandchildren, Indigo Ensign, Emmeline Ensign, and Kevin Finnegan Fowler; and her great-grandchildren, Kevin Fowler, Jr. and Kenzo Fowler. She is also survived by her sister, Carol Rotary; brother, Raymond Clayton; sister-in-law, Pamela Foster; brother-in-law, Robert Barbee, sister-in-law, Regina Rhodes; brother-in-law; Sonny Welch; Cousin, Gloria Thomas; Stepdaughter, Kimberly Finnegan, as well as many nieces, nephews, and cherished friends who will carry her memory forward.

Gloria's career as Union President for the non-instructional staff of Dearborn Public Schools reflected her passion and lifelong dedication to advocate for others. Her magnetic personality drew people to her. She never met a stranger, only new friends. She was funny, kind, generous, and endlessly social. Her family was her heart, and she loved them fiercely. She also found

joy and community as a longtime member of the Croswell Eagles.

To know Gloria was to be welcomed, laughed with, and cared for. Her memory will live on in the countless stories shared by those who loved her.

A memorial service will be held at her and Robert's favorite restaurant, where they also had their first date, Mexican Fiesta, on Saturday, September 20, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. (24310 Ford Road, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127). Friends and family will gather there to share good food, memories, laughter, and love in her honor.

Previous Events

Reception

SEP **20**. 4:00 PM (ET)

Mexican Fiesta
24310 Ford Rd.
Dearborn Heights, MI 48127