



## Sylvia "Joyce" Gillhooley

January 9, 1939 - October 22, 2023

Sylvia "Joyce" Gillhooley, 84, of Sault Ste. Marie, passed away on October 22nd, 2023, at the Ball Hospice House surrounded by her family.

Joyce was born in Detroit, Michigan to Earl and Bernice Wood on January 9th, 1939. She married Edwin Gillhooley on June 24th, 1961, in Detroit. She managed Gillhooley's Pharmacy alongside her husband Ed, for twenty years. She was an active member of her community and the Episcopal Church, singing in the church choir as with the Sweet Adelines, coordinating community events and parades, competitively bowled, enjoyed golf, dancing, and romance novels.

Joyce was also known for her Blue-Ribbon pies, apple sauce, jellies, and jams. In her retirement years, she loved spending time at the family cabin with her grandchildren and making PB&Js after school. She is remembered by her family as sweet, funny, mischievous grandma Joyce. Always smiling, happy to be a judge in the kitchen, especially when it involved desserts.

Joyce is survived by her sons, Jim (Tina) Gillhooley, Michael (Melissa) Gillhooley; daughter, Lorrie Gillhooley; her brother, John (Carolyn) Wood; sister, Trudy (Art) Krebs; nine grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren.

Joyce is preceded in death by her husband, Edwin Gillhooley; great-grandson, Camden Baril; brother, James Wood; sister-in-law, Pam Wood; and niece Michelle Lesniak.

A celebration of life will be held Friday, October 27th at the Christopher Columbus Hall (basement) from 3-6 PM for family, friends, and community

members looking to pay their respects.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that a donation be made in Joyce's name to the EUP Ball Hospice house. <https://www.hospiceoftheeup.com/donate/>

# Tribute Wall

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“ We're sorry to hear about Sylvia. At least I know she is in heaven with my mom Gail Burkholder who passed away this past August 30th (end stage Alzheimers). We are keeping the family in our prayers!

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**Steven Burkholder** - November 02, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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“ My sincerest condolences. It was a pleasure being neighbors with both Mr. and Mrs. Gillhooley. I'll miss her adorable waves from her chair. Her eyes lit up when she'd see me in her yard. She was the sweetest. May she rest peacefully now. ❤️

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**Jess Gillotte-King** - November 02, 2023 at 12:00 AM