



## Jeraldine "Jerry" Joyce Taylor

September 15, 1932 - November 12, 2025

Jeraldine Joyce Taylor (Jerry Jordan) went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, November 12, 2025. Jerry was born in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania on September 15, 1932, moving to Michigan when she was six months old.

Jerry was preceded in death by her husband of sixty-five years, Ronald Taylor; her youngest son, David Taylor; her parents; her siblings, Leslie Jordan, Margaret Jordan, Jean Scruggs, Jane Raus, Judy Braun, Jo Scruggs and Jim Jordan; and her oldest son, Douglas Taylor's, wife, Sally.

She is survived by her sons, Douglas and Richard Taylor; Richard's wife, Liz, Douglas' children Daniel and Scott Taylor; Daniel's wife, Anastasia Taylor; Scott's fiancée, Jennifer Kallenbach; Richard's children, John Taylor and Jessica Orsak; Jessica's husband, Shannon Orsak; and her great-grandsons, Anton and Lukas Taylor.

Jerry loved her profession of teaching. She taught first grade for two and a half years in Allen Park, Michigan, before retiring to raise her children. She then returned to teaching when she was forty-three years old, this time in her hometown of Saline. She taught first and second grades for twenty-one years. Jerry also enjoyed teaching children about Jesus in Sunday School, Daily Vacation Bible School and her Wednesday evening bible class at Fellowship Baptist Church in Saline.

Jerry also enjoyed traveling both inside and outside the United States with her husband, Ron, or friends. She liked bowling, playing tennis (which she did into her late 80's), volleyball, playing cards with friends and playing the piano. She volunteered at the Saline Library bookshop and at the Saline Rehab Center.

Jerry was very blessed to live a long and full life and will be very missed by all of her many friends and family.

Burial will take place privately at Oakwood Cemetery, Saline. A Celebration of Life will be planned for a date in the future and this website will be updated to reflect those details.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are encouraged in Jerry's name to: Milan Baptist Church, 31 Ferman St, Milan, MI 48160 or the Humane Society of Huron Valley, 3100 Cherry Hill Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48105.

To leave a memory you have of Jerry or to sign her online guestbook, please visit [www.rbfhsaline.com](http://www.rbfhsaline.com) Arrangements entrusted to the Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home in Saline.

# Cemetery Details

## **Oakwood Cemetery**

227 West Michigan Ave  
Saline, MI 48176

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ When I began to bowl on a team in Saline, Jerry was a member of this team. We became friends when we got to know each other. This friendship lasted the rest of her life. We had a lot of fun together, and we laughed a lot. We met for coffee once a week and, in the summer, we sat on her front porch where it was cooler and drank coffee or iced tea and enjoyed dessert that Jerry or I had made. I also enjoyed playing with her doggie, Sophie. After Ron passed, Jerry asked Dave and I if we would take Sophie. Jerry said she was Ron's dog, and she was not fond of dogs. We took Sophie home and gave her lots and lots of love and attention. She was the best dog we ever had!! Jerry was a very thoughtful, caring, and generous person, and a friend to all. I will miss her so much, but I have many happy memories of our good times together. Our sympathy, thoughts, and prayers are with her family.

*Dave and Jill mieras*

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**Dave and Jill Mieras** - November 23, 2025 at 07:15 PM

MA

“ Dear Doug, Rick and family  
My heart goes out to you at this difficult time. Jerry was such a blessing to all that knew her. I had such fun with her playing tennis, traveling to tennis tournaments and just having coffee together. She always had such a beautiful smile that could bring joy with her greeting of friendship. May happy memories carry you through this sorrowful time. With deepest sympathy

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**Mickey Armstrong** - November 20, 2025 at 01:33 PM

CB

“ Dear Doug, Rick and family,

*Being "mom" to my best buddy Doug, I had the great pleasure of knowing Mrs Taylor for a long long time. She was a wonderful, kind and sweet lady who cherished and protected her family. I would often see her walking the dogs over the years and give a honk and a wave. Losing our moms is one of lifes toughest moments. Hugs, prayers and love for the entire Taylor family and friends.*

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**carter III bishop** - November 19, 2025 at 08:27 AM

AW

“ *I'll miss talking to you on my walks in the neighborhood. You were always a bright spot in my day.*

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**Anne W.** - November 18, 2025 at 09:27 PM

BF

“ I had the privilege of having Jerry first as "my boyfriend's mom" for 5 years, then as my mother-in-law for another 16 years. I was married to her youngest son, David, before he passed away in 2012.

*I have so many wonderful memories of Jerry I could share, but with Thanksgiving on its way I'm reminded of my two favorites.*

*Jerry was a good cook, she just didn't like to cook ~ except on special occasions and holidays. I always looked forward to her Christmas morning breakfast. I was not with David for these two particular holiday feasts, but I've heard about the Thanksgiving mishaps many times over the years.*

*The first story begins with a still-frozen turkey on Thanksgiving day. The turkey needed to be thawed quickly so Jerry could prep it and get it into the oven. They decided the quickest way would be to soak it in the bathtub, allowing the water to cascade over the turkey. It sounded like a great idea, until they opened the bathroom door later to see if the turkey was thawed. Seems Mr. Turkey had been plotting his escape, and when the door was opened... he simply "floated" out and was on his way!! I guess whoever put the turkey in the tub and started the water (Ron, I think), also thought he should plug the drain! Oops! 🦃🦃🦃 Take out, anyone?? 😊*

*On another Thanksgiving, Jerry decided to get creative by preparing "Duck a l'orange" instead of a traditional turkey. While baking, the duck "popped" and started a grease fire in the oven. Jerry sprang into action quickly, grabbing the first thing in the refrigerator that she thought would put out the fire. SUCCESS!! The Taylor family then sat down to enjoy their "Duck a l'chocolate milk!" 😊*

*The Taylor family will always be a part of who I am. When David, Ron, and Jerry left this world, they left a hole in my heart to big to be filled by anything else. ❤️🙏 R.I.P. I love you.*

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**Brenda (Taylor) Fleming** - November 16, 2025 at 06:15 AM

CB

*great stories Brenda!*

**carter III bishop** - November 17, 2025 at 08:38 AM

LB

“ *I first met Jerry in 1982 and she was such a kind lady. Then later down the road I had the pleasure of having her on my bowling team. We had so much fun, after that I would see her walking around town staying active. My condolences go out to her family, she will be missed.*

**Lori Baldwin** - November 13, 2025 at 06:38 PM

AC

“ *Mrs Taylor was my first grade teacher & I was so blessed to have known her as an adult! She was so loving, kind, and always happy to see me or my siblings or parents when we walked past her house! She always had a smile, a kind word, and an amazing memory! I felt so blessed all these years to have her living in my parents neighborhood! It was always a good day when I saw her and got a chance to chat! God bless you, Mrs Taylor! You had such a beautiful soul and will be very much missed! 💕💕*

**Afifa Corrigan** - November 13, 2025 at 05:37 PM

RK

“ *I'm going to miss my dear friend and our coffee times together. Jerry was my best tennis partner ever. 🕊️❤️*

**Robi Kelley** - November 13, 2025 at 01:52 PM