



# Mary Angela Zimmer

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**W**ith a broken wing, she carried her dreams... and oh, how beautifully she flew. Mary Angela Zimmer began her earthly journey 75 years ago, on October 2, 1950, in St. Clair, MI where her parents, Bur and Jeanne (Stockwell) Zimmer, welcomed their fifth child. On February 28, 2026, surrounded by the deep and tender love of her children, Mary gently spread her wings and continued her journey heavenward.

Mary became a mother while very young, growing up alongside her children and loving them with steady devotion. Once they were grown, she followed another calling that had long lived in her heart. She returned to school and became a Registered Nurse — because caring for others was never simply what she did, it was who she was.

She served many families in the Emergency Room at River District Hospital offering calm in moments of chaos and compassion in times of fear. Later, she shared her steady presence as a psychiatric nurse and manager at Harbor Oaks Hospital and Ascension St. John Hospital. Wherever she worked, people felt seen, heard, and safe in her care.

Mary had a lifelong love affair with words. Books were her constant companions, and crossword puzzles her quiet triumphs. She found peace outdoors, tending to her yard, feeling the sun on her face and the earth in her hands. Though she treasured time spent with family, she also found joy in the gentle hush of her own company. Her happiest place was simple and perfect: a beach chair, a good book, the sound of waves, and a cold Diet Coke within reach.

Of all the hats she wore, the ones she treasured most were these: devoted mother to Angela (Jon) VanCore, Andrea Flemming, and Woody Flemming; proud Grandma to Ryan (Stephanie Partlo) Terhune, Brandon Smith, Zach (Madeline) Morris, Hannah Morris, Jon VanCore, Nick (Becky) VanCore, and Autumn VanCore; delighted Gigi to



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Riley, Skylar, Alyssa, Aubrey, Carter, and Ellie; loving sister to her “sisties,” Kay Ann Geib and Pauline Stager; and beloved Aunt Mar to her many nieces and nephews. Welcoming her home were her parents; her cherished grandson, Chad (Alicia Froias) Morris; her brother, Paul Zimmer; her sister, Shirley Boss; and brothers-in-law, Steve Boss and Dan Geib. One can only imagine the laughter when they were reunited. It was Mary’s wish that no formal services be held. Instead, she would want you to honor her in the most Mary way possible: make someone laugh. Read a book. Finish a crossword puzzle. Sip a Diet Coke. Eat dessert first. Order the large ice cream. Say hello to a stranger.

She leaves behind a legacy stitched together with laughter, resilience, compassion, and happy memories.

With a broken wing she carried her dreams...  
and, man, you ought to see her fly.

Arrangements by Young Funeral Home, China Twp. To leave a message of comfort visit <https://www.youngcolonial.comcre>




## Events

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### Cemetery Details

 Cremation



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**Kristine Curtis** lit a candle in honor of Mary.

Will miss your beautiful smile! We would see you at Meijer and always so kind and polite. Love you Mary! God bless your family ❤️

March 3 at 2:01 PM



**Jess Potvin** lit a candle in honor of Mary.

There wasn't a single time Mary didn't make me laugh. Even on the worst days, she could always bring a smile to my face. No matter the situation, she would crack a joke and somehow make everything feel a little lighter. She was one of the sweetest people I've ever met. I worked with Mary at Meijer, and it's funny how you can grow so close to the people you work with every day. We were always laughing, always joking, and always sharing stories about our lives. Those moments meant more than I think either of us realized at the time. Mary was truly a great woman — so full of life, even when everything around her felt heavy or hard. She had a light about her that made work brighter and days better. I'll always be grateful for the memories, the laughter, and the friendship we shared.

March 3 at 10:02 AM



CC

**Chris Kimball Corteville** posted:

Ahhh Mary you were a joy to work with at Harbor Oaks.

March 2 at 4:25 PM

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**Nancy M Beaudua** lit a candle in honor of Mary.

March 2 at 12:02 PM





## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Mary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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