



## Jean Elizabeth Day

December 29, 1938 - March 26, 2022

Jean was born in Pontiac Michigan to Frederick Slavin and Dorothy (Brown) Slavin. Jean was the 4th of their 9 children.

She was married to Gary Leon Day for 61 years. Gary preceded her in death on January 1, 2022. Gary lovingly referred to Jean as his “wonderful wife”.

In 2021 Jean and Gary welcomed their 8th grandchild and their 1st great grandchild.

Jean is survived by her 3 children, Catherine (Paul) Anderson, Laura (Danny) Henry, Robert (Julie) Day, 8 grandchildren, Allen, Beth, Ryan, Nicole, Emily, Blake, Audrey and Anders and one great granddaughter Violet. She is survived by siblings Anne Konkle, Frederick Slavin (Maureen), Richard Slavin (Jackie), Donald Slavin (Barbara), Marie Guild (Robert) and Stephen Slavin. She was preceded in death by her grandson Ross , a sister Ruth Coulson and a brother Thomas Slavin.

Jean was very talented and resourceful. This started from the time she was a young girl as she learned to wire homes from her electrician father. She spent many hours working by his side which left her with a strong work ethic and a can do attitude.

Jean made her own wedding dress and then out of necessity tore it apart to adorn her first home with lace curtains. She was an excellent seamstress, quilter, artist, needleworker, upholsterer and house painter. She could repair anything.

Jean had a very happy fun personality that garnered her many friends. She lent a helping hand to anyone who needed it.

Jean worked for Kaiser Hospital for over 30 years. Upon her retirement, she focused on volunteer work with the Rocklin Historical Society. She assisted them with many projects and developed extensive museum archives. In 2019 she was awarded the Pioneer Ruhkala Award for this volunteerism.

Jean competed in the Bay to Breakers event in San Francisco with her husband Gary on many occasions and in 2014 was awarded a Bronze medal in her age group of 75-79.

Jean spent many years golfing at Sunset Whitney Country Club in Rocklin where she achieved 6 holes in one, a club record. Her husband Gary, also an avid golfer, celebrated her success with great pride.

Services will be private.

Donations in her memory can be made to the Rocklin Historical Society.

# Cemetery Details

## Rocklin Cemetery

4090 Kannasto Street  
Rocklin, CA 95677

# Tribute Wall



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**Cathy Anderson** - April 11, 2022 at 10:49 PM



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“ Jean was a great golfer but in her later days when I played with her , it was not about her score but the fun she had playing the game and being with the girls. She was a lot of fun to play with and a very honest, caring lady. She is has been missed. Hedy Hallums

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“ Carol Shuey lit a candle in memory of Jean Elizabeth Day



Carol Shuey - April 10, 2022 at 04:00 PM

JH

“ I joined Sunset Whitney in 2001. I was a new golfer and one evening I was playing golf with my husband. After we finished on the number one green, a lady was driving by in her cart and stopped. She said...“I don’t know you. Are you a new member? Have you joined The Ladies Club?. I said no, because I wasn’t very good. Jean said...no, you have to play with the ladies. She collected my entry fee, right then and there, and said you show up on Saturday morning and you will play with me”. I did show up and, I wasn’t very good, so after my 10th shot on any hole, Jean would say “pick it up!” I was so embarrassed, but Jean told me to keep showing up on Saturday and Thursday; which I did. I did get better and I made so many friends and had so many good times playing golf with those ladies. My first away tournament was with Jean, Sandy and Gwen. We won a first place medallion.

*I still have a quilt that Jean made for me in 2006. She made it because she had material with a flip flop pattern and she thought of me.*

*Jean introduced me to what ladies golf is all about...friendly competition, friendship and lots of fun.*

*Jean, thank you for all your kindness and all those wonderful times. You changed my life when you introduced yourself to me that evening. I will always be grateful to have known you.*

*Judy Hillier*

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**judy hillier** - April 09, 2022 at 10:20 PM

JM

“ Jean was one of the first women at Sunset Whitney Country Club to take me under her wing, help me be a better golfer, learn the ropes of the club, and become a good friend. We played as partners in the Women's Invitational for many years. There were many afternoons spent in our backyard assigning starting holes for tournaments while her granddaughter, Nicole swam. She and Gary were regulars at the club, which all of us still miss. The comradery and fun times are recalled by many of us often.

*I hope she's up above, golfing with Gary in perfect weather. She will probably get another hole in one, to add the the MANY that she had down on earth.*

*She also made many beautiful quilts for family and friends.*

*Joan and Jack McClure*

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**Joan McClure** - April 09, 2022 at 03:17 PM

GB

“ My times spent with Jean and Gary were always special. We had a lot of fun together and shared a lot of our secrets. Gary and my husband, Bill, played golf together every Sunday morning. We enjoyed many dinners with the Sabos, Diebels, and Weises and lots of dancing at SWCC. She is missed by so many.

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**GWENDOLYN C BARKER** - April 09, 2022 at 02:42 PM