



Ruby Lee Ray

October 25, 1927 - June 26, 2025

Ruby Lee Capps Ray, 97, a life-long resident of Pilot Point died Thursday, June 26, 2025, in Pilot Point. Ruby was born October 25, 1927, east of Pilot Point to Bessie Ruth Johnson and Claud Suel Capps.

She started school at the age of four at Fairview School which was west of Pilot Point. She graduated from Pilot Point High School at age 16 and immediately went to work at Amos Drugstore on the downtown square. While working there, she began dating Wayne Ray; she and “Sharkey” were married on February 21, 1948, eloping to McKinney. He preceded her in death one week short of their 49th anniversary in 1997. Ruby was an independent newspaper carrier for the Denton Record-Chronicle for 22 years and also worked at Pilot Point High School for 18 years as the librarian, cafeteria cashier, and sold tickets at Bearcat football games. She was an active member of Central Christian Church where she taught Sunday school, Vacation Bible School, and served as church secretary. When her children were in school, Ruby was involved with the Pilot Point PTA, Cub Scouts, and the Band Boosters. Later in life, Ruby served on numerous civic boards including the local AARP chapter, Goodfellows, Keep Pilot Point Beautiful, Pilot Point Main Street, and was instrumental in establishing the first public library in Pilot Point. She also volunteered at the Denton County Historical Museum, Sundial Nursing Home, sewed turbans for cancer clinic patients in Denton, and helped for many years with decorations for the annual Pilot Point

Educational Foundation Gala. She loved puzzle books, bingo, and Saturday night card games with her friends.

Ruby was preceded in death by her husband, parents, and stepfather, R.B. Kennedy.

She is survived by her son, Glen and wife Cynthia Ray and daughter Lee Ann Ray, all of Pilot Point; two granddaughters, Emily and husband Jay Mainord of Aubrey, and Allison Ray of Pilot Point; and numerous cousins.

The family visitation will be Sunday, June 29, from 6-7:30 pm at Slay Memorial Funeral Center in Aubrey, TX. Funeral services will be Monday, June 30, at 11 am at Slay Memorial Funeral Center with Rev. John Cunyus officiating. Pallbearers will be Heath Hudson, Jim and David Bridges, Brian Heitzman, Cash Brown, and Mark Harpool. Interment will follow at Pilot Point Community Cemetery.

Donations in her memory can be made to Pilot Point Fire Department Donation Fund, c/o City Hall, 102 E Main St, Pilot Point TX 76258 for the restoration of the 1942 fire truck.

Online condolences may be made at www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com
Arrangements are under the direction of Terri Slay and Slay Memorial Funeral Center.

Cemetery Details

Pilot Point Community Cemetery

601 N. Prairie Street
Pilot Point, TX 76258

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **29**. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Slay Memorial Chapel of Aubrey
400 South Highway 377
Aubrey, TX 76227
info@slaymemorial.com
<http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

JUN **30**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Slay Memorial Chapel of Aubrey
400 South Highway 377
Aubrey, TX 76227
info@slaymemorial.com
<http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com>

Interment

JUN **30** (CT)

Pilot Point Community Cemetery
601 N. Prairie Street
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Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Ray was one of my favorite people when I was in high school. She collected the lunch money each day and greeted us in the Library, introducing me to some of my favorite literary "friends". She was sweet and gracious and had a tolerance for shenanigans far beyond my own as a grandmother today.*



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