



Ada Marie Ley

February 5, 1939 - September 24, 2025

On September 24th the stars shined a little brighter when our mother left this earth. She was undoubtedly the kindest, most selfless person we have ever known. She was petite but mighty, gentle yet strong. She was our matriarch, keeper of the family traditions and a trusted and quiet advisor.

She was born on February 5, 1939 in Coral Gables, Florida to Isabel and Odilio Diaz. She was their second child. She had two brothers, all born 7 years apart. She attended St. Theresa Catholic School where she met the love of her life, Bob Ley. She was a cheerleader and the homecoming queen and he played on the football team. She was undoubtedly his greatest catch. They were married at The Church of the Little Flower in Coral Gables on August 23, 1958 and moved to Gainesville to attend college at the University of Florida. Their son Bobby, Jr. was born a year and a half later and they moved thereafter to Palm Beach Gardens where Bob started a career with Pratt & Whitney Aircraft. Soon two daughters followed and in 1977 Ada went back to school to study court reporting. In 1980 she and a partner opened Ley & Marsaa Court Reporting and had a very successful career.

Family always came first for Ada and Bob. They were undoubtedly the strongest branch on their large, loving family tree, always setting the best examples of love, kindness and generosity.

Mom and Dad were married for 62 years. Bob passed away in June 2020.

Ada leaves three children, Bob, Jr., Ann Kohlmeyer (Clay) and Kathy Basara (Chris). She was beloved Mimi to 5 grandchildren, Kelly Williams (Quint), Bobby Ley (Kristen), Christine Olson (Erik), Maddie Basara and Christopher Basara. She also had two great grandchildren, Jack and Lainey Williams.

A Funeral Mass will take place at 1:00 PM on Friday, October 10, 2025 at St. Ignatius Loyola, 9999 Military Trail, Palm Beach Gardens, FL. Please wear bright happy colors. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Furry Friends of Jupiter.

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **10**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Cathedral of St. Ignatius Loyola
9999 North Military Trail
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410

Tribute Wall



“ *It's hard to find the right words, knowing you're no longer here with us in the way we were blessed to know you. Being your caregiver was one of the greatest honors of my life. Every day spent by your side was a gift — full of gentle smiles, quiet strength, and the kind of kindness that touches hearts forever.*

You were more than someone I cared for — you became a part of my life, my daily purpose, and my friend. Your warmth lit up even the toughest days, and your stories, laughter, and wisdom will stay with me always. I will never forget the way you trusted me, the conversations we shared, and the peaceful moments of just being present together.

Even though you're no longer here physically, I feel your spirit all around me — in the little things, in the lessons you taught me, and in the love you left behind. You made a difference in my heart, and I hope you felt the same love and care from me.

Rest peacefully, sweet [Ada Marie Ley]. Thank you for allowing me to walk with you on your journey. Until we meet again, I'll carry your memory with love and gratitude always.

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“ *Bobby, Ann, and Kathy, your Mom is one of the kindest nicest people ever, a non stop smile, great with names where just meeting someone once, she'd remember you forever. We lived across the street from the Leys and there was a time where it felt as if there was a hallway between our homes for how welcome Mr and Mrs Ley always - no exception - greeted us. Love to all who were fortunate enough to have met her. Jim Knippel. Descansa en Paz.*

Jim Knippel - September 27, 2025 at 09:37 AM