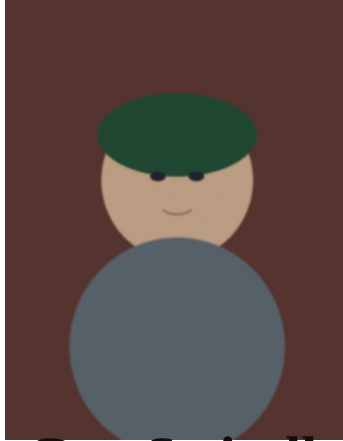




# Edna Gay Swindlehurst

*October 12, 1930 - December 6, 2024*

Pensacola, Florida

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Edna Gay Swindlehurst, 94, of Pensacola, died on December 6, 2024. Born on October 12, 1930 and raised among Welsh-American manners that never needed a speech. From the start, she treated promises like tools: keep them sharp, do not lend them lightly.

She kept ice that held festivals and piecework with equal care. A shrimp ice house thermometer chalked outlasted two captains. Colleagues still mention a shrimp ice house thermometer chalked.

She and Milton married in 1957 and raised three children without needing an audience. After Milton's death in 2017, she held to quiet habits-coffee before dawn, a tended yard, a voice on the phone that still checked in.

Neighbors remember snow shoveled past the corner that was not required. She liked early mornings before the heat or the noise. She died in Pensacola, among streets she never needed to explain. The work gloves still keep the shape of a grip.

What remains is not a legend but a practice: showing up, keeping a promise, leaving a place better than you found it. Her life was the kind America is built from and too often forgets to name.

## Services

A quiet remembrance in Pensacola. Those who wish may give to a neighborhood library, food pantry, or workers' aid fund instead of flowers.

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