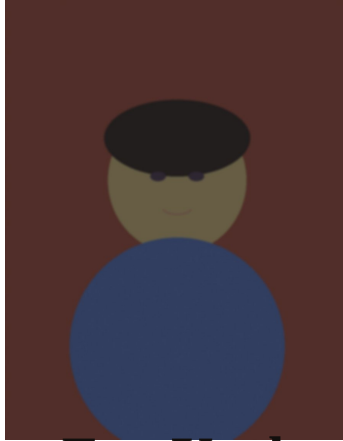




Irene Fay Yarbrough

June 11, 1932 - December 2, 2025

Grand Junction, Colorado

Grand Junction lost Irene Fay Yarbrough on December 2, 2025. She was 93. Born in Grand Junction on June 11, 1932, into a Welsh-American household that treated work as a language. She learned that neighborhoods remember who helps without being asked.

She sorted fruit until grades agreed and pride could return. A packing shed grade paddle stayed clean enough to trust. Colleagues still mention a packing shed grade paddle.

She married Charles in 1954. They kept a house that stayed modest when the neighborhood did not. They raised two children through public schools and ordinary weather. After Charles died in 2018, she kept the routines that still made sense: the walk, the garden, the Sunday call.

Neighbors remember quiet help with a stuck mailbox or a heavy trash can. She liked early mornings before the heat or the noise. She died in Grand Junction, among streets she never needed to explain. The calendar still has a circle on payday.

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 memorial gathering in Grand Junction with coffee afterward. In lieu of flowers, a gift to a local workers' fund, clinic, or neighborhood library is welcome.

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