



## Virginia "Ginny" Stuck

October 11, 1926 - February 12, 2012

Virginia "Ginny" M. Stuck

Virginia Marie Stuck (nee Pfost), 85 of Benton Harbor, died Sunday, February 12, 2012, at Lakeland Regional Medical Center after a lengthy illness.

Virginia was born October 11, 1926 in Coldwater, MI to Lowell and Dessie Pfost. She was valedictorian of Marcellus High School class of 1944 and went on to graduate from Elkhart Business University and Indiana College of Mortuary Science. She married Donald J. Stuck on May 25, 1947, in Edwards Corners, Michigan. They resided in Indianapolis and South Bend, IN until they moved to Benton Harbor in 1956 to raise their family.

Virginia owned and operated "Ginny's Doll Hospital" for more than 50 years in her home. She took great care restoring each doll patient for their owner, as well as sharing her love of dolls in many speaking engagements. Virginia was the regional sales director for Tri Chem Liquid Embroidery and later became a real estate agent and insurance agent. She served on the board of the Benton Harbor/ Benton Township Senior Services Center for 27 years. She was also a member of the Algonquin Chapter of the DAR, Business and Professional Woman, and a charter member of the Blossomland Doll Club. She was a member of the Methodist Peace Temple and later the St. Joseph First United Methodist Church.

She is survived by her 4 children; Patricia (Terry) Myers of St. Joseph, Lowell (Larry) Stuck of Portland, OR, Daniel (Darcy) Stuck of St. Joseph, and Nancy Stuck of Benton Harbor, her grandchildren; Andrew (Isabel) Myers, of Costa Rica, Joshua (Natalie) Myers of Denver, CO, Karen Myers of Denver, CO, one great grandchild; Isabella Jagels, and many nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her husband Donald in 1998, her parents, and brothers Robert L. and Wayne D. Pfost.

Funeral Services celebrating her life will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, February 18 at St. Joseph First United Methodist Church, 3003 Leco Ct, St. Joseph. Private burial will follow in Bly Cemetery, Marcellus, MI. Visitation will be held Friday from 5-7 PM at Dey-Florin Chapel of Florin Funeral Service in St. Joseph. Messages of condolences may be sent to [www.florin.net](http://www.florin.net).

# Cemetery Details

## Bly Cemetery

Marcellus, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 17. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Dey-Florin Chapel of Florin Funeral Service - Closed 2013  
2506 Niles Avenue  
St. Joseph, MI 49085  
(269) 983-1514  
[staff@florin.net](mailto:staff@florin.net)

## Service

FEB 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph First United Methodist Church  
3003 Leco Court  
Saint Joseph, MI 49085  
<http://stjoefumc.org>

# Tribute Wall

KW

“ To your loving family~

*I just wanted to say Thank You for the beautiful card, your love and comfort for Virginia was more than enough for her to rest in peace. She is not suffering and she will always be looking over all of you as a guardian angel. I wish you all the best of luck and just wanted to again say Thank You...I know these times are never easy!!*

*Love "Ginny's" RN :)*

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**Katelynn W.** - February 29, 2012 at 02:41 PM

“ To Pat, Lowell, Dan and Nancy,

*The Ogden Circle era was a happy time in the life of the Smith family, and it was your mom who kicked it all off on the first day we met, by fixing lunch and caring for 6-week-old Laura as we prepared to move nextdoor to your family in June 1959. The four of you and the Smith kids quickly developed a very special bond. Do you recall how there was always a "walk-through" gap in the boundary hedgerow in the years we were neighbors?*

*Your mom was first to invite me to the Ogden Circle Coffee Group which met every Thursday morning, moms and kids alike, forming close relationships which were to become truly "lifelong"?*

*Recalling some of the highlights of those childhood years really lifts my spirits, as I hope it will yours, also.*

*Didn't you love it when "Dr. Ginny", chief of staff for Ginny's Doll Hospital, asked many of the Circle kids to dress as popular dolls of the '60s as her entry in the Blossomtime Kiddies Parade. And again, Coffee Group young'uns were ecstatic when Ginny utilized her cake-decorating gift by presenting her appealing creations at many birthday celebrations.*

*Others special memories: the Smith-Stuck camping trip to Warren Dunes in the old Nash Rambler and Danny's 5th or 6th birthday party at Potawattamy Zoo when she had forgotten to pack a knife, so managed to cut the specially decorated birthday cake--with a fingernail file!*

*How happy I was when your mom asked me to partner with her as co-leader of Patty's 4-H sewing club. The young wannabe seamstresses and co-leader alike, had much to learn from their experienced role model.*

*As years went on and you all set out to make your way in the world,*

*our proverbial nests became empty. The Coffee Group moms made every effort to meet monthly for lunch. Our beloved Ginny's final Coffee Group lunch with us was last October, marking her 85th birthday--and ending a 53-year friendship.*

*So those old Ogden Circle days made very happy memories. I pray that recollections like these, and others that you will recall on your own, will lighten your hearts which are today so very heavy. These visits would make your mom so very happy and thankful. Truly, she can rest in peace--in the knowledge that her work was well done.*

*I send my sincerest condolences and much love to the four of you and your children, et al. May God bless you all!*

*Priscilla [Smith] Banghart aka Mia-Mia*

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**Priscilla Banghart** - February 17, 2012 at 09:50 PM

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“ *Your mother was such a great lady with so much energy! She will be missed by everyone. I am sorry I won't be able to attend services as we are in Florida but my prayers and thoughts will be with you.*

*Darcy Baskin*

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**Darcy Baskin** - February 17, 2012 at 09:41 PM

RD

“ For Ginny from Cousin Richard,

*Didn't we have some great Sunday outings? - Dessie, Don, Ruth, me and Marilyn.*

*I remember your Dad assigning me to crank the ice cream churn. Every five minutes I'd inquire if that's enough and he would respond - with a twinkle in his eye - not yet Richard - just a little more.*

*Those were simple and wonderful times. I treasure them.*

*May God grant you his peace.*

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**Richard Draper** - February 16, 2012 at 10:10 AM

TW

*Erika and I are so sorry to hear of your Mothers passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with the entier Family. Your Mother always had a smile on her face when she talked of her Family.*

*May God be with Her,*

*Tom & Erika Wilder*

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**Tom A. & Erika Wilder** - February 16, 2012 at 01:08 PM