



Virginia "Ginger" Ann Gilbert

July 5, 1931 - November 27, 2023

Gilbert, Virginia Ann "Ginger"

Age 92, passed away November 27, 2023.

Virginia (Ginger) was a loving Wife, Mother and "Nana" from Ham Lake, MN. At the age of 92, she peacefully went to be with her Lord on November 27, 2023.

Survived by her brother James Lillemo; children, Stephen (Carol) and Bruce (Judy); grandchildren, Geoffrey, Andrew, Robert (Kristine) and Stephanie Putz, Amanda and Allison Gilbert; great-grandchildren, Scarlett and Wyatt Putz and Hawkin Putz. She is also survived by cousins, nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Ginger was preceded in death by her husband Douglas Gilbert, daughter Lynne Putz and parents Guttorm and Florence Lillemo.

Ginger was born in Cass County, Minnesota, then moved to Little Falls, MN, where she lived until graduating from Little Falls High School. Subsequent to graduating high school, Ginger immediately entered Mounds-Midway Nurse's School in St. Paul, MN. She graduated nurse's training in 1952. Upon graduation, she was employed as a Registered Nurse where she met her husband, Douglas Gilbert. They were married in 1953 and eventually settled in Ham Lake, MN in 1966 with their three children. Ginger taught Licensed Practical Nursing at Anoka-Hennepin Vocational Technical School for 22 years until her retirement. She enjoyed spending her retirement years with her six grandchildren, and then later, her three great-grandchildren. She truly

enjoyed gardening and cultivating a large variety of different flowers.

Ginger was very actively involved in her church and community, as well as volunteering with various groups. Additionally, she worked as a leader with the girl's club (Pioneer Girls). She also was extremely active in her church in Florida (Starkey Road Baptist) and with her church in Roseville (Rose Hill Alliance Church). Throughout her involvement with her church, Ginger also volunteered with Meals on Wheels by delivering meals to those unable to prepare food for themselves, which continued until 2017.

Ginger's pallbearers are her six loving grandchildren: Geoffrey, Andrew, Robert and Stephanie Putz; and Amanda and Allison Gilbert.

Funeral service 11AM Friday, December 1, 2023 (visitation begins at 10AM) at Roselawn Cemetery Chapel, 803 West Larpenteur Avenue, Roseville, MN.

Interment to follow at Roselawn Cemetery.

Memorials preferred to Samaritan's Purse.

Tribute Wall

KK

“Ginger was one of my special customers who I remember with fondness from my days at Herberger's in Rosedale. She would stop in on days she volunteered at Lyngblomsten. I remember what a lovely, sweet friendly woman she was. When we lost our daughter in 2021, she was buried near the Gilbert monument, and I wondered how Ginger was doing. We were there yesterday to place a wreath on Carrie's grave, and I noticed the beautiful flowers freshly placed for Ginger. While I am sad for your family, it is comforting to know that she is resting peacefully in the arms of her Heavenly Father and reuniting with her husband. She will be a perfect angel, along with our daughter, and we will visit her site when we are at Roselawn to visit our Carrie Louise. In our hearts forever, Karin and Chris Kane



Karin Kane - December 02, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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Karin Kane - December 02, 2023 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Mr. Gilbert, Charlotte and I would like to express our condolences and wish you and your family comfort during this most difficult time. Looking at the obituary your Mother was an extraordinary woman and we know you will miss her. Godspeed to you and your family during this time of grief. Steven & Charlotte

Steven L Cravens - December 01, 2023 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Growing up, my cousin Ginger was wonderful to my sister, Muriel, and me. We always looked up to her. Being closer to Ginger in age, Muriel would love visiting the Lillemo farm outside Little Falls, MN, and spending time with Ginger and her parents. In later years, Muriel continued to rely on Ginger's wise advice and counsel. We will miss Ginger, but know that she had a wonderful, long life, always surrounded by a truly loving family.



David Pierson - December 01, 2023 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Bruce, prayers for you and your family. I'm so sorry for your loss.



Stephanie Sublett - December 01, 2023 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ Bruce, I am so very sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my prayers. I pray that peace finds you today and in the days to come. - Reggie



Reggie Angel - December 01, 2023 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Bruce, I'm so sorry for your loss. Words cannot express, nor do they amount to much. Just let us know if we can do anything for you. Thinking of you all and your family during this time.



Sue Myzer - November 30, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Ginger was my neighbor and friend. It is a great privilege to have known such a strong, gracious and inspiring lady. May she rest in peace after a long and fruitful life.

Jan Antinozzi - November 30, 2023 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Praying for you and your family. God is in control and he needed her more. May the lord continue to bless you and your family and give you strength through this time and afterwards. God Bless



Monica Hines - November 30, 2023 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ *Our sincere condolences and fervent prayers are with your family.
Pam and Mike.*

Pam and Mike Harris - November 30, 2023 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ *We're so sorry for your family's loss. Wishing you comfort and
peace to face the days ahead and loving memories to hold in your
heart.*

Kristie and Jason Carpenter - November 30, 2023 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ *Sorry for your loss*

Tim Parrent - November 30, 2023 at 12:00 AM