



Virginia Urbanek

November 16, 2025

Virginia Louise Urbanek, “Ginny”, 69, of Beecher City, Illinois, passed away November 16, 2025.

Born in Munster, IN and raised in Calumet City, IL Ginny graduated from Seton Academy in South Holland, IL and worked as an emergency dispatcher for Calumet City for two decades.

In retirement, she moved to Beecher City with her husband, Skip, to enjoy the quieter lifestyle together with their beloved dogs. Ginny was a strong woman, sassy, and a fierce and loyal friend to many. She loved to cook, entertain friends and family, and be outdoors. She left knowing that her dogs, Jaxson, Toby, and Anna would continue to be loved and cared for by trusted friends and family, as she and Skip were well-known as avid dog lovers.

Ginny is survived by her children: Melissa (Thomas “T.J.” Olson) Schweitzer of Chicago, Kimberly (Raj Cornelious) Urbanek of Bolingbrook, IL, and Kevin (Kara) Urbanek of Lowell, IN.

She was the adoring grandmother (“Gigi”) of Kailana, Kaleigh, Karyssa, and Kasen Urbanek.

Preceded in death by beloved spouse Henry J. “Skip” Urbanek and parents

Joseph Anthony Mahala and Virginia Elizabeth Mahala (nee Kraus).

An appropriate celebration of life is being planned for Springtime, 2026, followed by entombment of cremated remains at Holy Cross Cemetery in Calumet City.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to It's a Pittie Rescue: (708) 792-3311 or <http://rescueapittie.org/>.

Arrangements by Inclusive Funeral Care, 773-318-1305 or www.InclusiveFuneralCare.com.

Tribute Wall

JY

“ *Melissa, Kim and Kevin,
I can't tell you how sad I was to learn of Ginny's passing. You may not remember me, but I was a friend of Ginny and Skip's through law enforcement, and found them both to be wonderful people, who were always able to see through the transparency of others. Ginny was the heart and soul of the Calumet City Dispatch Center while she was there, and had a great sense of humor and a quick wit about her. I loved being with them whenever I could, and it was a privilege to know them. There's a hole in my heart knowing both of them are gone from this earth, but happy to know that they are together again - as they should be. I spoke to her a year ago about after Skip passed, and she was planning on moving to NW Indiana as soon as she could sell the house and property down south, but I guess it never happened for her. The distance between us made seeing one another difficult, as we live in SE Michigan, however our friendship and good times will always be remembered. My wife Denise and I pray for eternal blessings for her from the Lord as she is received into the heavenly host, and may perpetual light shine upon her. In Christ, Joe & Denise Yekulis, Chelsea, MI.*

Joe Yekulis - November 19, 2025 at 11:30 AM

TY

Ginny was a good friend of mine for MANY years, She will always be a part of US. We will miss her dearly, So many wonderful memories.... 😊



Charles & Terry

Terry Yates - November 19, 2025 at 09:13 PM

TC

I met Ginny in Freshman year of highschool. She remained a sweet, funny, caring soul and I was so glad to reconnect ten years ago on Facebook. We chatted daily and she helped me through some dark days after my divorce, always presenting light in our conversations. She looked to have a new home soon and now, she does... again with Skip!

Richest blessings to her family from one who knew her 'when' <3

Therese Croteau - March 08 at 08:07 PM

JC

“ *She was the best on the truck team at Kohls in Effingham!!! She was the best cook n baker!!! I always loved to catch up with after we both left Kohls. I bet Skip was happy to see u at the gates!!!*

Julie clayton - November 19, 2025 at 11:09 AM

ML

“ *Beautiful inside and out. May she Rest in Peace, with Skip by her side.*

Marian Leck - November 18, 2025 at 07:02 PM

JL

“ *I am so sorry to hear about Ginny. I met her when we both worked at Kohls in Effingham. She was such a wonderful lady. We had so much in common and loved our talks that we had. May beautiful memories comfort you during this difficult time. Prayers for your family.*

June Lidy - November 18, 2025 at 06:33 PM

DH

I'm so sorry to hear this about Ginny. I had the pleasure of working with her At kohls. Just loved her. Hold onto all your beautiful memories of this sweet lady. Thoughts and prayers to your family.

Denise Hites - November 18, 2025 at 06:59 PM

DD

*So sorry for your loss.
She now sits at the right hand of our ALMIGHTY FATHER and will now live "ETERNAL" LIFE 🕊️ In the KINGDOM OF GOD!!!
Her MISSION here on EARTH 🌍 is now completed 🙏🙏🙏 that's why GOD has called her to HEAVEN 🙏🙏🙏!
She will now look down on us and give us guidance!!!*

Dale A. Dejnowski - November 18, 2025 at 09:19 PM

MS

I'm so sorry for your loss. Ginny was one of the sweetest friends I've ever had. I'm sure going to miss her tremendously.

Maureen Siatta - November 19, 2025 at 12:19 AM

SF

In 2020 my son passed away and Ginny would send me , every morning a thought, something to make me smile, laugh, bring me comfort. Without fail she touched my heart every day until she went to Heaven. Amazing woman to give me such love and comfort. I will see her one day to thank her and give her a hug. Incredible woman and friend who gave herself to many friends and was always putting others before herself. I am so grateful and will follow her lead and help someone in some way to give comfort as she has given me. SanDee Felton

SanDee Felton - December 11, 2025 at 06:23 AM