



## Virginia M. Cayler

February 12, 1930 - August 18, 2024

Dodgeville – Virginia M. Cayler, age 94, of Dodgeville, passed away on Sunday, August 18, 2024 at Hearten House III Memory Care in Holmen, Wisconsin.

Virginia was born on February 12, 1930 in Herrick, Illinois. The daughter of Logan and Orpha Frailey, she was raised and educated in Iowa Falls, Iowa. On June 14, 1953, she married Gene C. Cayler, and together they moved to Louisiana for Gene's Air Force years, and then to homes in Iowa and Wisconsin for Gene's years as a feed salesman with Walnut Grove Livestock Feeds. Their final move took them to Dodgeville, where they lived for over 30 years. They loved their neighbors and community and, during their time in Dodgeville, Virginia was active in serving her community. She volunteered for elections, sporting events, the Iowa County History Center and anywhere extra hands were needed. She also worked as a Walmart greeter in Dodgeville and as a sales associate at both a dress shop and a shoe store in neighboring Mineral Point, and loved it all. She was an avid sports fan and could tell you who was playing when and where any day of the week. She never missed a sporting event, music concert, parade, or any other event in which her family had a part. She loved to meet new people and visit with everyone. Her family and friends meant everything to her and she was always there if anyone was in need of a shoulder to lean on. She was always ready with a smile, a kind word, an open heart, and the truth, even if you might not

want to hear it.

After Gene's passing in 2000, Virginia remained in Dodgeville another ten years, which was possible due to her strong, independent nature and the help of wonderful neighbors and friends. She then moved to Onalaska, Wisconsin to be closer to family. She lived for over ten years in an independent living apartment complex there where, again, she made many friends who became dear to her heart.

Virginia is survived by her children, daughter Debra (Brett) Jenkinson of Zumbro Falls, MN; her son David (Karen) Cayler of Holmen, WI; and son Michael Doss of Des Moines, IA; Grandchildren Christopher (Hannah) Cayler; Valory Cayler; Michelle Crubaugh; Chad (Meggan) Cearley and Tina (Bill) Derickson; along with many great grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. She is further survived by her son-in-law Frank Cearley of Alden, IA and numerous nieces and nephews.

Virginia was preceded in death by her husband, Gene; her daughter Sandra Cearley; her parents; In-laws; siblings and numerous other dear family members.

There will be a time of remembrance from 3:00 P.M. until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 6, 2024 at GORGEN-McGINLEY & AYERS FUNERAL HOME in Dodgeville

In lieu of flowers, donations are suggested to Gundersen Health System Hospice in La Crosse, WI or Hearten House III Memory Care in Holmen, WI.

The family will be forever grateful for the loving care those organizations provided for Virginia in her final months of life.



# Cemetery Details

## East Side Cemetery

601 E. Division Street  
Dodgeville, WI

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

SEP 6. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Gorgen-McGinley & Ayers Funeral Home  
400 East Grace Street  
Dodgeville, WI 53533  
(608) 935-5222  
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# Tribute Wall

JB

“ So sorry hear of Ginnie's passing. We think about her often and really missed her in the Merrimac neighborhood. A very wonderful and thoughtful lady.

*Jane and Bruce Bowden*

Jane Bowden - September 05, 2024 at 06:05 PM

DF

“ Deb and Dave, We are deeply sorry for your loss.

Dalles Family - August 31, 2024 at 12:24 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Virginia M. Cayler.



August 30, 2024 at 01:52 PM

CN

“ Carly N. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Virginia M. Cayler.

Carly N. - August 28, 2024 at 05:42 PM

JG

“ Many good memories with Ginny. . A great friend with my mother and me.

jerry galle - August 24, 2024 at 02:01 PM