



## Virginia L. Betz

July 27, 1938 - September 4, 2019

Virginia “Ginny” L. Betz, 81, of Centralia, passed away Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at Odin Healthcare Center.

She was born July 27, 1938 in Odin, daughter of Jace and Leolia (Moore)Telford. She married King “Butch” Betz on June 16, 1958 and they later divorced.

Ginny is survived by her three children: Robert Betz of Centralia, Sarah Betz and special friend Alvin of Centralia, and Stephen Betz and special friend Ann Ashby of Centralia; a brother-in-law: Charles “Red” Schwartz of Centralia; a sister-in-law: Sue Sanders of Sandoval; several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother: Jace “Sparky” Telford and a sister: Sally Schwartz.

Ginny was a Teacher for Kaskaskia College for 3 years, Sandoval High School for 12 years, and she retired in 2002. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Centralia. She was also a member Laureate Alpha Sorority. She enjoyed playing the piano, playing golf and traveling. Virginia treasured the time she spent with her family and friends.

A Celebration of Life Service for Virginia “Ginny” Betz will be held Monday, September 9, 2019 at 12:00 PM at the First United Methodist Church in Centralia with Rev. Sydney Davis, Jr. officiating. Visitation will be held Monday morning from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the church. Memorial donations may be made to the Centralia Humane Society and will be accepted at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home and Cremation Services at 235 North

Sycamore Street Centralia, Illinois 62801, (618)532-3523, whom is honored to be of service to the Betz Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

CM

“ I am sorry I missed Ginny’s celebration. I worked with Ginny at Sandoval, her classroom was next to mine. We also were sisters in Beta Sigma Phi. I miss her sense of humor and her willingness to try things. She was like my big sister when I needed one. The world seems a little emptier and loonier knowing she has gone.  
Connie Mudd

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**connie mudd** - September 10, 2019 at 09:46 AM

JR

“ Hi Rob, Steven and Sarah,  
We loved Ginnie alot. She was always so lively and fun to be with. She came to Florida with Sue to visit us. We had a great time and we wished that she would come again.  
God Bless You All.  
Kathy and Jene Robinson.



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**Jene and Kathy Robinson** - September 07, 2019 at 01:10 PM

DP

“ Ginny and shared a friendship many, many years ago. She was such a wonderful person with an infectious smile. We both loved Jazz music and would listen to it together. So sorry for the loss of Ginny.

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**Danny Parker** - September 07, 2019 at 08:21 AM

RM

“*'Virginia Telford' was my classmate and best friend from first grade through high school graduation. I still answer 'Ginny Betz' when asked to name my 'best friend forever.' But most important of all, she was a woman of strong faith who was blessed by God to be a blessing to many, many others. RC*

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**R.C. Merten** - September 06, 2019 at 09:49 PM

 Lillie Marlow

“*Dear Rob, Sarah, and Steven,*

*I am so sorry to hear of your mother's passing.*

*I had not seen Ginny for a long time, but she was always one of my favorite people. She was such a helpful and sweet parent when each of you were in first grade.*

*Please accept my most sincere sympathy for each of you.*

*Mrs. Lillie Marlow*

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**Lillie Marlow** - September 06, 2019 at 04:22 PM

CW

“*Mrs. Betz was my high school English teacher my junior and senior year at Sandoval. Was a very outstanding and wonderful teacher who strived the best and cared for all her students!! Prayers for the family!*

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**Chris Williams** - September 06, 2019 at 09:22 AM

HR

“ I use to work with Ginny at Old National Bank. I always enjoyed working with your mom she was a great lady. Her and Jo Evans were a joy to work with. Prayers and sympathy to you and all your family

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**Helen Rueter** - September 05, 2019 at 10:06 PM

BE

“ I had the honor of working with this beautiful lady when we both worked at ONB. She was the sweetest and sad to hear of this. RIP my friend!

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**Brenda Edler** - September 05, 2019 at 06:48 PM