



Virginia F. Robe

June 23, 2025

(nee Panka) of Milwaukee passed away on June 23, 2025 at the age of 91 years. Survived by her loving and caring husband Clarence of 71 years; sons, Dr. Ralph (Anna) Robe, and Gary Robe; three grandchildren, Katie Robe Torres, Dr. Elizabeth (Nate) Englin, and Ryan Robe; and two great grandchildren, Abiyu Torres and Fabrice Englin. Loving aunt of Sally Ann Ottmann and Jeanne Giard. Further survived by other relatives and friends. Virginia is preceded in death by her parents, Stanley and Frances Panka; sister, Rita Panka; and brother, Gerald Panka.

Special thanks to the staff at Heartland Hospice for all their kind and compassionate care.

Memorial donations can be made in Virginia's honor to The Association of the Miraculous Medal, 1811 West St Joseph St., Perryville, Missouri, 63775; <http://amm.org/>

Visitation Monday, June 30 from 10:30 - 12:00 Noon at ST. ROMAN CHURCH (1810 W. Bolivar Ave., Milwaukee) followed by the celebration of Mass of Christian Burial at 12:00 Noon. Entombment to follow at St. Adalbert Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

St. Adalbert Cemetery

3801 S. 6th Street
Milwaukee, WI 53221

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **30**. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Roman Church
1810 W. Bolivar Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53221

Mass of Christian Burial

JUN **30**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ My sister Jeanne and I share many fond memories of Aunt Virginia and Uncle Clarence. Uncle Clarence being our father’s youngest brother. Many of our memories are preserved by black and white family photographs, taken by our mom. We recall a photo of us snuggling on either side of Aunt Virginia in an upholstered chair at our grandmother’s house. She was wearing a beautiful full shirted dress, her curly short hair perfectly cropped, and wearing stylish eyeglasses. Aunt Virginia was truly a fashionista!

Over the years, life intervened and we drifted apart, then along came Covid and Zoom. Over the last several years Jeanne and I have enjoyed re-connecting with Aunt Virginia and Uncle Clarence. A favorite story she would tell was when she and her sister, Rita, were little girls and their father took them to a “very special place”. They had to walk as their father did not have a car. It was a long way from their home. This special place was the public library. Her father asked the librarian to tell his girls all about the wonders of the library. They each received library cards and left with a specially selected book tucked under their arms. This began a lifelong love of reading for Aunt Virginia.

Although Jeanne and I are unable to be there in person, we are truly participating in heart and spirit. So, together we thank you Aunt Virginia for the memories, your care and love.

Until we met again,
Sally Ann and Jeanne Lynne

Sally Ottmann - June 28, 2025 at 04:17 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Virginia F. Robe.



June 27, 2025 at 06:05 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Virginia F. Robe.



June 26, 2025 at 03:06 PM



“ Aunt Virginia was always so nice and kind to all of us. I always remember her infectious laugh, and how she always called my Dad, Gerald.



Lynne Trutwin - June 24, 2025 at 02:51 PM