



Virginia L. Owsiak

March 27, 1941 - October 15, 2025

Virginia L. Owsiak, 84, of Lebanon passed away on Wednesday, October 15th, 2025, at her residence. Born in Brattleboro, Vermont on March 27th, 1941, she was the daughter of the late Samuel Leigh and Anita (Blodgett) Cameron. She married the love of her life, John. J Owsiak, Jr., on February 28, 1959. John predeceased her on May 8, 1994.

During her life she liked to cook for family and friends, she enjoyed bowling and trivia nights and had a close group of friends she shared weekly dinners with. She loved to travel, enjoying trips to the Caribbean, Hawaii, PEI, Maine and many cruises.

She was very generous with her time and loved volunteering with Road to Recovery, Toys for Tots, Wreathes Across America, and as a Girl Scout Leader. She also enjoyed spending time volunteering at her granddaughter Lindsey's school.

She and her husband owned and operated Owsiak Appraisal Service for decades. Following the death of her husband, she pursued a new career and bravely graduated from the VT State Police Academy and became a Deputy Sheriff with the Windham County Sheriff's Department; a position that was truly her calling. While with the department, she spearheaded the "Are You OK?" program, attended events as "McGruff the Crime Dog" and was integral in providing bike safety programs to children.

She met and started a new life with Larry Burke, who embraced Virginia's family as his own. He thrived in his role as grandfather and great-grandfather.

He took a very strong group of women in stride and was very patient. Virginia's family appreciated and loved him greatly. Larry pre-deceased Ginny – as he called her, in 2012.

She enjoyed her time visiting Longwood Gardens, seeing the snow geese at Middlecreek, and bird watching at home. She loved animals and had many beloved pets – Tom, Stinky Marie, Elton, Earl, Millie, Tango, Mambo and her grand-dogs Archie, Elmer and Minnie. In her later years she developed a love for football, especially Penn State and the Eagles.

A true New Englander, whole belly clams were a favorite treat that she looked forward to anytime she stumbled upon a menu with them.

What she loved most was her family – born of blood and those who were chosen. Together with John they raised three girls who grew the family with four granddaughters, three great-granddaughters and two great-grandsons. She often commented on how it took 72 years for the family to get their first boy and was so excited that the curse was finally broken.

She leaves behind her daughters Deborah Fisher, Donna Derivan (Mike), and Jane Owsiak (Chad Patrick). Granddaughters Lindsey Jaeger (Mike), Melissa Pecor (Doug), Katie Derivan, and Allison Mosher. Great-grandchildren Leah and Lauren Jaeger, Owen Wilson, and Matthew and Cassidy Pecor. She is survived by her beloved brother, Phillip Cameron of Windsor, Connecticut, with whom she spoke multiple times a week.

She was preceded in death by her three sisters, Patricia DiMeo, Beverly Monaco, and Barbara Cameron.

A public viewing will be held from 11:00AM-12:00PM on Monday, October 20th, 2025, at Kreamer Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc., 618 E. Main St. Annville, PA 17003. Funeral Services will begin at 12:00PM on Monday at the Funeral Home. An additional memorial service and reception will follow interment will be held at the convenience of the family in Brattleboro, Vermont. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to St. Jude's, the ASPCA, and the Shriner's Children's Hospital in her name.

Cemetery Details

Meeting House Hill Cemetery

Battleboro, VT

Previous Events

Public Viewing

OCT **20**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Kreamer Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc
618 E. Main Street
Annville, PA 17003
(717) 867-4811

Funeral Service

OCT **20**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MW

“ Dear Debbie, We were so sorry to hear about your Mother passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Love, Anita and Mark Woodcock

Mark Woodcock - December 27, 2025 at 11:21 AM

RS

“ worked with her at the Windham County Sheriff's Department, was a strong, wise woman

Rich Schwarz - October 22, 2025 at 05:39 PM

SL

“ My condolences to the family. I remember her leading Girl Scouts. She was effervescent, witty, fun, creative, sparkly, spirited, organized, entertaining, and I loved the way she talked. She had such an adorable voice. Her daughters were always kind and I enjoyed being around Debbie in Girl Scouts. I always enjoyed my time at their house.

💜🥰🧬🕊️🙏 Well done life and memories left. Thank you 🥰

Susan Lynde - October 18, 2025 at 12:54 PM

PC

“ We are sorry to hear about Tootie's passing. Our thoughts are with all of you at this very difficult time. From all of the Cameron families on Prince Edward Island, Canada.

Preston Cameron - October 18, 2025 at 11:55 AM

DD

She held you all with such fond memories and loved spending time in PEI. You will always have a special place in our family stories.

Donna Owsiak Derivan - October 24, 2025 at 08:08 AM

DF

“ David, Cathy Winslow & family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Virginia L. Owsiak.



David, Cathy Winslow & family - October 17, 2025 at 06:00 PM

DH

“ Virginia was a great friend of mine who I met at the bowling alley. I was really shocked when I heard the news. I visited her at Cornwall manor when she was trying to recover from her hip surgery. Sometimes we would stay after bowling and just talk. She loved her children and grandchildren very much , she would show me pictures of her grandchildren all the time. she was a very special person to me and everybody else. I will miss,,,,, her very much as I'm sure a lot of people will too. Condolences to her whole family



Donald Davies or Ducky to her - October 17, 2025 at 03:18 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Virginia L. Owsiak.



October 17, 2025 at 11:52 AM

CG

“ Charles Groh planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Virginia L. Owsiak.

Charles Groh - October 17, 2025 at 11:52 AM

JS

“ Joe and Sharon (Nesbitt) Stevens planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Virginia L. Owskiak.

Joe and Sharon (Nesbitt) Stevens - October 17, 2025 at 11:41 AM



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October 17, 2025 at 11:41 AM

Colette Wintersteen

“ Jane, I'm very sorry to hear the loss of your mother. Sending prayers of comfort during this difficult time.

Colette Wintersteen - October 17, 2025 at 09:25 AM

RW

I'm so deeply sorry for your loss. Your mom was such a kind and caring woman, and I have so many fond memories of her. She always made everyone feel welcome and loved. My heart goes out to you and your family during this difficult time. Wishing you comfort and peace as you hold onto all the beautiful memories you shared.

*With love and sympathy,
Rena, Lexi & Kevin*

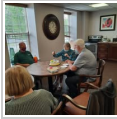
Rena Woods-Pratt - October 17, 2025 at 07:21 PM



JM

So sorry to read about Virginia's passing. We were on the same trivia team at Franz's Tavern. She was funny, smart, and a joy to be around. Sincere condolences,
Jean Moncarz

Jean Moncarz - October 20, 2025 at 06:45 PM



So sorry for your loss. Read it on fb and started crying. Prayers and hugs sent to my family.

Michele Tsohonis - October 22, 2025 at 06:16 PM