



## Virginia "Ginny" Ann Kantz Kitchens

December 7, 1946 - August 21, 2021

Mrs. Virginia "Ginny" Ann Kantz Kitchens, age 74, passed away Saturday, August 21, 2021. A memorial service will be held at 2:00 PM Saturday, August 28, 2021 in the Chapel of Williams Funeral Home of Eatonton. The family will receive friends from 1:00 PM until the service time.

Ginny was born on December 7, 1946 in Manitowoc, WI to the late Robert J. Kantz, Sr. and the Late Josephine Kantz. She was a teacher for the Gwinnett County Public School System. Ginny was preceded in death by her brother Robert J. Kantz, Jr.

Ginny is survived by her husband, Fred Kitchens of Madison, GA, daughter Kelly Maas of River Falls, WI, son Steven Kitchens of Dacula, GA, grand children Jacob Maas and Savannah Maas both of River Falls, WI, and Nicolas Kitchens, Brooke Kitchens, and William Kitchens all of Dacula, a sister Mary McVeigh of Houston, TX, and a brother Tim Kantz of Lafayette, IN

In Lieu of flowers donations may be made to an organization Ginny was involved with, The GA Writers Museum or a charity of your choice.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 28.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Williams Funeral Home - Eatonton  
306 N. Jefferson Ave.  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



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**Williams Funeral Home - Eatonton** - August 31, 2021 at 01:35 PM

ME

“ What a very beautiful and touching service. Peace be with you all.

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**margaret edwards** - August 28, 2021 at 02:42 PM

PB

“ Ginny and Fred were regulars at the Flannery O'Connor book club at the writers museum where I met them on their way out one day. Our collection of book themed garden fairies in the gift shop caught her eye and we found ourselves in a lengthy and delightful conversation about her own collection where I saw a wonderful playful side to her that I will always recall when I think of her. I got to know her better as a volunteer with the museum where she shared her years in teaching to help craft student activities and programs. She was a voracious reader and wanted others to share her passion. And she and Fred were wonderful together. My heart is with him and the family. She will be missed by so many.

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**Paula Benjamin** - August 28, 2021 at 10:30 AM

SM

“ Ginny has been my friend for at least 30 years. When I think of her my mind races with hundreds of memories. Many of my memories include what she did for children. She shared her love of science with them. She studied and learned about every aspect especially the environment. She created gardens and organized an Earth Day celebration including children, parents and science leaders from across the United States. We called her Mother Nature. She worked so hard and was a visionary. On a personal level she was my dear friend. We had many laughs and adventurous times. (especially going to Panama City during motorcycle week) Blessings to Fred, Steven, Kelly, and her grandchildren. She loved all of you so much.



Sarah Ann Mason

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**Sarah Ann Mason** - August 28, 2021 at 09:54 AM

ME

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Ginny when I was introduced to the group of fantastic ladies known as the Sinclair Hens. Ginny was a true leader of the group and will be missed by all. Fred prayers for you and your family.

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**margaret edwards** - August 27, 2021 at 09:38 AM

JP

“ I met Ginny 25 years ago when my son started school at AES, she soon became a dear friend. She was the Lucy to my Ethel. She got us into some tricky spots over the years from rafting the Yellow River for Gwinnett Water Resource (she wouldn't get wet) to instructing a summer Nature Camp for Gwinnett Parks & Rec (she wouldn't deal with snakes or spiders) and so, so many others because she was constantly involved in her community. She always had a "project" for us, so much so that I created a "For Ginny" Pinterest page and FB album. She was constantly sending ideas, almost always including glitter and sometimes chicken feathers (I'll never look at either without fond memories of my sweetest friend). Our last call, the Thursday prior to her passing was yet another "project".... I'll miss those calls. Much love to Fred, Steven, Kelly and extended family.

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janet M pope - August 26, 2021 at 11:55 PM

EM

Like everyone, we are saddened by the Kitchen's tremendous loss. Over the years, we sat with Ginny at numerous banquet tables, and everyone soon learned that she could be funny, but above all, Ginny was genuine. We all appreciated her quick wit and especially admired her independence. Our deepest condolences to Fred, their children, family and beloved friends. We are so very sorry for this tremendous loss, Fred, and pray that God will give you strength and ease the pain. Rest In Peace Ginny.  
With deepest sympathy, Ed and Angi MCGill

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Ed and Angi McGill - August 28, 2021 at 01:52 PM

LH

“ One of my life's greatest blessings is being a Lake Sinclair Hen!!! Our Hen girls have grown old together & become lifelong friends. Ginny was an original Hen & her effort, wit , & creativity were off the charts. Her colorful personality & the hearty laughter brought so much joy...she was one-of-a-kind. My heart is so sad, but the love, the laughter & the stamp she left are now precious memories. Thank you Ginny for making our lives happier & more colorful. Fred/Family...we are here for y'all...God has got this!! Love, Linda Harridge

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**Linda Harridge** - August 26, 2021 at 01:49 PM

EB

“ *"Using her great intelligence and wild creativity, Ginny Kitchens filled our lives with joy and laughter. She was certainly one of God's best ideas in the human being department. She leaves us all with wonderful memories Thanks Ginny-Rest In Peace."*

*Ibby Bailey*

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**Elizabeth B. Bailey** - August 24, 2021 at 08:26 PM

CB

“ *Ginny was the leader of the Sinclair Hens. She kept us organized and worked hard for us. She was always kind and caring of everyone, and will be sorely missed. Cathy Benton*

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**Cathy Benton** - August 23, 2021 at 08:57 PM

AT

“ Mrs.K helped raise my whole family. She was my moms best friend and her family was my family. So many first memories in life with the Kitchens. She was one of the most amazing people and educators that I feel blessed to have had in our lives. The Kitchens family will always have a special place in my heart.

*Ashley Thatcher-Gorman*

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**Ashley Thatcher-Gorman** - August 23, 2021 at 07:14 PM

JK

“ Ginny was a valuable member of the Education Committee of the Georgia Writers Museum. She volunteered in meetings of the Putnam County Elementary School Writing Club pre-COVID when visitors could enter schools. Ginny was creative and a natural born teacher. She had a natural way with children. Ginny was curious and never hesitated to ask a question. Janet Kelhoffer

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**Janet Kelhoffer** - August 23, 2021 at 06:59 PM

TD

“ I have known Fred, Ginny's husband, for 40 years. I have visited with Ginny many times during those 4 decades and I can tell you seeing her and Fred together one knew they were meant for each other. I know that Fred must feel that he has lost 1/2 of himself, and I grieve with him for his loss. “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. – Matthew 5:4” Fred, may the peace of the Lord be with you and your family. Warmest regards, R.E. "Tuck" Duncan, Topeka, Kansas.

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**Tuck Duncan** - August 23, 2021 at 06:04 PM

AP

“ When a friend or loved one passes it leaves a void in our hearts but all the great memories last forever. Ginni was a very special person and the love for her , Fred and the family will never be at a shortage. My love and appreciation for Ginni will always remain for her class and character as being truly, Top Shelf.

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**Alan Powell** - August 23, 2021 at 04:00 PM

AT

“ Ginny was one of the first people I met when we retired to the lake in 2006. She was our “leader” for the Sinclair Hens and always kept us informed of our events. She will be missed immensely. Our thoughts and prayers to Fred and family.

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**April Thomas** - August 23, 2021 at 02:26 PM