



Virginia C. Finck

June 10, 1923 - July 30, 2015

Virginia passed in peace in her daughter and son-in-laws home, surrounded by family, treasured pets and her favorite music, early the morning of July 30, 2015. Born Virginia Caroline Memler on June 10, 1923 to parents, Leo and Cornelia in North Liberty, IA, "Gini" grew up in and around Des Moines, IA.

Specialist First Class Memler served in the US Navy from 1944 to 1946, being inducted the day after D-Day in 1944, decoding messages one word at a time at the Communications Annex in Washington DC. She was extraordinarily proud of her service as were her family and Commanding Officer. After returning home to Iowa she trained on-the-job to become a Registered Lab Technician. There she met husband, Stan Finck, who was attending the local College of Osteopathy. After being married in 1947, Stan interned in Gowrie, IA and practiced there for six years, after which they moved to Washington State for good, where Stan began his practice in the then under served town of Yakima.

The Fincks moved to Wenatchee in 1957, where they lived the rest of their lives. Stan passed in 1998. Stan and Virginia raised two children, Lee Justin and Wendy Lou. Wendy and husband, Brian,

along with son, Conner, currently reside in Wenatchee, while their oldest son, Todd lives in Anchorage, AK. Lee and his wife, Tina, live on Bainbridge Island, just west of Seattle. Virginia had a deep love for music; her husband's, her church's, and her own. Jazz and hymns were given equal play and attention in her house. Pianos, organs, vibes, flute and drums made a "joyful noise" in her house, whether it was her playing or others in the family. Virginia was a member and past officer of Alpha Gamma Sorority. She was also a member and past officer of the Wenatchee Apple Valley Guild, which is part of Seattle Children's Hospital Guild Association. She had delighted in her friends over hotly contested games of bridge. She took comfort from her family's pugs, Otis and Rosie, who loved her dearly. She was a stoic, no-nonsense woman who grew up during the Great Depression and came of age during WWII. Like so many of her generation, she displayed the thrift, hard work, sacrifice for others, and humility we all aspire to, but rarely display. Virginia was a guiding light in her family and community for 92 years, working hard, living with great dignity and integrity, while seldom making an excuse. She instills the same in her children, grandchildren and friends, reminding us that great lives leave a legacy that is sometimes known only to a few.

A memorial service for Virginia will be held Thursday, September 3, 2015, at 2 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Chapel, 941 Washington Street, Wenatchee, WA. In lieu of flowers, donations in Virginia's name may be made to our local Hospice. CWH Hospice, 1020 N. Wenatchee Ave, Wenatchee, WA 98801 "In Memory of Virginia Finck." Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guest book at jonesjonesbetts.com . Arrangements are by Jones & Jones-Betts Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Service

SEP 3. 2:00 PM (PT)

First United Methodist

941 Washington

Wenatchee, WA 98801

(509) 663-1607

<http://www.firstumchurch.org>

Tribute Wall



“ Jones & Jones - Betts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Virginia C. Finck



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“ So sorry to hear of my cousins death. Her father was my Dad's (Ray Memler) brother. Virginia was grown up when I knew her but I remember her wedding and Memler Christmases at my parents, uncle, and grandparents. We always kept in touch with her parents. We had many happy Christmas memories in Iowa City. and I remember she was a Wave I always looked forward to her Christmas letter and it was usually the very first one I received. I ;had meant to call after talking to her daughter and am now so sorry I never got around to it. She called when my mother died 0years ago and I recognized her voice, just same as many years ago. I know she was proud of her family and had many happy memories. MY condolences to all of you. Carolyn Memler McNee

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