



## Virginia Lee Sage

August 9, 1930 - April 3, 2016

Virginia Lee Sage “Ginger,” was born in Wenatchee on August 9, 1930. She passed away in Wenatchee on April 3, 2016. Her career in Education began at an Elementary School in Spokane Washington just after she graduated from Whitworth College in 1953. She went on to teach at every grade level including Communications Studies at Wenatchee Valley College.

She had written and edited several books during her retirements and had also produced many beautiful paintings during her lifetime. Her last years were spent battling the effects of the post polio syndrome that kept her wheelchair bound.

She was preceded in death by her parents Emerson McVay Sage and Beverly Barbara Woods Sage, and by her nephew Douglas Emerson Sage. She is survived by her three siblings: brother, George (Ila) Sage of Redmond, sister, Maxine Sage Phillips of Wenatchee, brother, Mike (Peggy) Sage of Tacoma. She is also survived by her 7 nieces and nephews and 15 great nieces and nephews. They will join voices in saying that their adored Aunt Ginger was always playful and adventurous.

A Graveside Memorial will be held at 2:00 P.M, Thursday, April 21st, 2016 at Entiat Cemetery. Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guest book at [jonesjonesbetts.com](http://jonesjonesbetts.com). Arrangements are by Jones & Jones – Betts Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

APR **21**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (PT)

Entiat Cemetery Graveside  
Entiat River Road  
Entiat, WA 98822

# Tribute Wall

JP

“ One more item to add to my post: I am JoAnne Garrison/Reed/Price's daughter. Ginger was family to my mom.

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**Jennifer Price** - April 07, 2024 at 09:03 PM

JP

“ I loved Ginger Sage. She and my mother were best friends in high school, heading up on the Lady of the Lake for camping alone...without parents! So adventurous at that time!!!

*Ginger was always a magical soul to me in my childhood, adolescence, and young adulthood. We spent summers in Chelan with my grandmother and would visit her often at her magical place on the river. The Canadian Geese were always there to greet! We played chess, ate yummy wild foods, played in the mud (avoiding goose poop), and stared out the window at the choppy waters.*

*Ginger had the capacity to be the most wonderful and fun person in the world to people of any age. I miss her.*

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**Jennifer Price** - April 07, 2024 at 09:02 PM

DM

“ I remember what fun we had at Eastmont High School rehearsing for & presenting the program called "It." Ginger Sage was so nice. I'm really glad I had the opportunity to meet and work with her.

*Darnell Moser*

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**Darnell Moser** - April 21, 2016 at 12:12 AM

BE

“ So sorry for your family's loss. She always had interesting stories and I really enjoyed reading her book about her childhood.

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**Bethany** - April 20, 2016 at 11:50 AM

TT

“ What a lovely lady, we used to see her at our little fruit stand just north of Earthquake Point (where Shadow Ridge is now). She had so many wonderful stories of Wenatchee and Entiat. RIP Ginger, you now have wings.

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**Trudy Talbott** - April 14, 2016 at 12:40 PM

FC

“ Dear Sage family,  
I remember when Ginger was attending WJC and her theater group came to Entiat School and presented 'The Wizard of Oz. She appeared to be having a glorious time.  
May she find everlasting peace and Godspeed to her.

*'May the Lord bless and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine upon you and to be tender and gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace'*

*With love,*

*Foster & Dorothy Copeland*

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**Foster & Dorothy Copeland** - April 13, 2016 at 09:57 PM

NL

“ 3 files added to the album *Our early years*



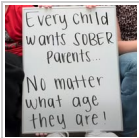
Nancy Lapo - April 13, 2016 at 08:08 PM

NL

“ *Early in our move to Wenatchee, Ginger helped our family with camping and hiking. The kids also had lots of fun at her home near Entiat. We lost touch after she moved from Columbia Heights. Condolences to all her family. Richard & Nancy Lapo*



Nancy Lapo - April 13, 2016 at 06:57 PM



“ *Dennis Floyd lit a candle in memory of Virginia Lee Sage*



Dennis Floyd - April 13, 2016 at 12:46 PM



“ *I remember going out to her house and creating this gigantic "pond" to slip and slide into. She was always willing to let us kids play and explore.*

Sarah Bottoms - April 07, 2016 at 12:37 AM

 Lisa  
Andrews

“ *Lisa Andrews lit a candle in memory of Virginia Lee Sage*



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**Lisa Andrews** - April 07, 2016 at 12:24 AM

 Lisa  
Andrews

“ *Ginger was a true original. She was always ready to create an explore. Going out to her place back in the 70's was magical. She would build chess sets, waffle recipes. Hatch and raise geese. Several of us kids learned to sail with a carpet covered dagger board . Most of all she taught us to listen. Thank you Ginger.*

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**Lisa Andrews** - April 07, 2016 at 12:20 AM

FI

“ *Floyd & Barb Ingersoll lit a candle in memory of Virginia Lee Sage*



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**floyd & barb ingersoll** - April 06, 2016 at 12:26 PM

ST

“ *Stephanie lit a candle in memory of Virginia Lee Sage*



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**Stephanie** - April 05, 2016 at 11:31 AM

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*Thought and Prayers are with your family Ginger. May you forever RIP.*

**Stephanie** - April 05, 2016 at 11:31 AM

DS

*Many fond memories of good times in Old Entiat with all the Sage Kids, Ginger. Rest In Peace  
Don Smith*

**Don Smith** - April 08, 2016 at 12:51 AM

ST

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



**Stephanie** - April 05, 2016 at 11:30 AM

JM

*There was no one quite like Ginger. Went to school with her at Entiat in the 40's. Visited her in Wenatchee in later years.  
Joanne Peters Marr, Des Moines, WA*

**Joanne Peters Marr** - June 07, 2016 at 05:02 PM