



Virginia A Leffelman

February 24, 1931 - December 9, 2020

Virginia A. Leffelman (nee Warner), 89 of Dixon, formerly of Amboy, died on December 9, 2020 of COVID-19. Having just lost her husband, Sylvan Leffelman to the same horrid virus five days prior, Virginia left this world with her children Nancy, Paul, Phil and Jan by her side. She was welcomed into heaven by Sylvan and their daughter, Rita.

Virginia was born on February 24, 1931 to George and Lula (Martin) Warner in Urbana, Illinois. She graduated from Ashton High School in 1949.

Virginia's first employment was at Walter C. Knacks in Dixon followed by Public Service in the meter department. It was there that she met Betty (Michel) Stephenitch who soon became her best friend and eventual across-the-street neighbor in Amboy.

Virginia married her beloved, Sylvan Leffelman on November 14, 1953 and they recently celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary. Together they raised five children: Jan (Tom) McConville of Amboy, Phil Leffelman of Elgin, Paul (Robin) Leffelman of Amboy, Nancy (Jim) Butler of Bartlett and Rita Leffelman in heaven (died 9-4-93). They are the grandparents of Rachel (Mike) White, Mitch (Meg) McConville, Maggie (Michael Daly) McConville, Damon (Alyssa) Leffelman and Lucas Leffelman. Their precious great-grandchildren include Kylie, Kaysen and Leo.

Virginia was preceded in death by her parents, husband and daughter. She was also preceded in death by her father-in-law, Walter Leffelman and two very special mother-in-laws: Esther (Burkardt) Leffelman and Eva (Blackburn)

Leffelman as well as a favorite aunt, Mary (Warner) Smith.

Other survivors include Virginia's much loved brothers: Jim (Janet) Warner and Lyle (Rosella) Warner; in-laws: John (Mary) Leffelman and Jim (Mary Ann) Blackburn; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Virginia had an aptitude for organization and systems. She used those skills not only as a mother raising five kids, but also in her 32 years as a bookkeeper at W.G. Leffelman & Sons. She embraced computer technology, and loved her Quicken software and iPad. Virginia was also a craftsperson. She knit beautiful afghans, created unique ceramics, and did detailed needlework. Virginia especially loved to construct intricate family scrapbooks, all of which have become precious heirlooms for her kids.

Together with Sylvan, Virginia was an ardent supporter of their children's extracurricular endeavors. They never missed their kids' band concerts, dance recitals or sporting events, including all the away games. Camping vacations were another way for the family to be together and to create special memories when the kids were young. That evolved into keeping the trailer at nearby Green River Oaks, which provided Virginia, Sylvan and the kids a quick escape.

Virginia was always an active person who enjoyed exercising, especially when it involved being with friends. While living in Amboy she walked with her dear friend, Lu Grady, a daily commitment that lasted well over 20 years. After moving to Dixon in 2004, Virginia loved to walk the bike path and neighborhoods around Autumnwood. It was on that bike path where she met a dear couple, Jane and David Beaman, who would become special friends to both her and Sylvan.

Virginia greatly valued her church and community throughout her lifetime. When her daughters were young, Virginia was a 4-H leader, along with Beth Grossman, for the Minute Maids 4-H club. Virginia taught CCD classes at St. Patrick's in Amboy. She also sang in the funeral choir at St. Pat's and later at St. Anne's in Dixon.

In Sylvan's obituary we sincerely asked that you honor his memory by simply

being kind to one another. Virginia and Sylvan were kindred spirits when it came to their love for people. Therefore, to best pay tribute to Mom and Dad's legacy: Look for ways to do good for your family, your friends and your community, especially now. We will honor both Mom and Dad with a funeral mass to be held on Wednesday June 30th, 2021 at 10:00 AM at St Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon with the Rev. Timothy Draper officiating. A private family burial of cremains will follow at St Patrick Cemetery in Amboy. The family would also like to express their deep gratitude to all the staff at Liberty Court. You loved Mom dearly and for that we are most grateful! Thank you also to our dear angel nurses, Stephanie Herwig-Pace and Andrea Regalado; you were there for us when we needed you. We also appreciate Dr. Joe Welty's compassion and never ending commitment. Our parents adored you. Happy semi-retirement Dr. Welty!

Cemetery Details

St. Patrick Cemetery in Amboy

816 Rockyford Rd
Amboy, IL 61310

Previous Events

Service

JUN **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon
612 S. Highland Ave.
Dixon, IL 61021
(815) 284-7719
office@stpatrickdixon.comcastbiz.net
<http://www.stpatrickdixon.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Virginia A Leffelman*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Virginia A Leffelman*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



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Nancy - December 26, 2020 at 12:48 AM



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“ *Marilyn Braid And Family lit a candle in memory of Virginia A Leffelman*



Marilyn Braid and family - December 18, 2020 at 04:31 PM

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Marilyn Braid and family - December 18, 2020 at 04:30 PM

JB

“ *My very deepest sympathy and prayers for family and friends of Virginia Leffelman! May God bless you and bring you peace and comfort.*



Janet E. Barlow - December 14, 2020 at 04:06 PM

GA

“ *My deepest sympathy to the Leffelman and Warner families. Sylvan and Virginia shared the duplex in Autumnwood with my mother - Florence Pierce Greenfield - wonderful neighbors! Have many memories just chatting with them when I visited mom - and the garbage night get-togethers! God bless them and now daily rest.*

Ginny Pierce Anderson

Ginny Anderson - December 12, 2020 at 09:43 AM



“ *I'm so saddened by the loss of both Sylvan and Virginia. Kindness and presence are the words that come to my mind — from the first time I met them as a teenager to the last time I saw them more than 40 years later during a visit at Liberty Court. My thoughts and prayers are with their family. I'm happy to have this picture when my parents and I visited Nancy and her parents in 2019.*



Cathy Schwamberger - December 11, 2020 at 06:02 PM

RB

“ I am so sorry to hear this bad news; the first thing that comes to mind is when we moved to imperial manor fl. she comes out yelling you cant park your bike under my window. I thought what a crazy lady. but we came to be great friends. love them both. my deepest sympathy to rhe whole family..



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Nancy - December 11, 2020 at 02:26 PM

PL

Love this photo — just as I remember her. The Autumnwood community miss all the Leffelmans. Prayers and sympathy to the family.
Pat Lohse

Pat Lohse - December 11, 2020 at 07:49 PM

JL

“ She always had a hug for me. I will miss that :)

Janet Lynch - December 11, 2020 at 11:28 AM