



Virginia "Ginger" Oswald

August 3, 1931 - August 14, 2025

Virginia Helen "Ginger" Englehardt Oswald, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and friend, passed away peacefully on August 14, 2025, at the age of 94.

Born on August 3, 1931, in Denver, Colorado, Ginger was the youngest of four daughters—Jacqueline, Charlotte, and Nancy—born to Walter and Helen Englehardt.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, John F. Oswald, with whom she shared 56 wonderful years of marriage, as well as by her daughters Leslie and Paula.

Ginger was the proud mother of seven children: Judy (Tim) Block Carrabine, the late Leslie Akers, Bruce (Sonja) Oswald, Cath Oswald Wilson, the late Paula (Mike) Horn, Kurt Oswald, and Jon (Joan) Oswald. She was also a cherished Gram to thirteen and an adoring Gigi to fourteen. Her family was the joy of her life, and she took immense pride in watching each generation grow.

She will be remembered for her sparkling blue eyes, sharp wit, and impeccable fashion sense. Always "dressed to the nines," Ginger carried herself with grace and beauty wherever she went. She also had a lifelong love

of music, and Tony Bennett's timeless voice provided the soundtrack to many of her happiest moments.

Her deep Catholic faith was the foundation of her strength and a source of remarkable resilience throughout life's challenges.

Ginger's legacy lives on in the love she shared, the laughter she inspired, and the memories she created with her family and friends. And true to her impeccable fashion sense, she leaves behind closets full of designer clothes that will forever remind us of her timeless style.

The family is deeply grateful to the staff and residents of The Forum at Knightsbridge, where she happily spent her final years.

Calling hours will be held on Wednesday, October 22, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Rutherford Corbin Funeral Home in Worthington, Ohio. A funeral Mass will follow on Thursday, October 23, at 10:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Peace Church, with her dear friend Father Kavanaugh officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the American Cancer Society are preferred—a cause especially close to Ginger's heart, as she once went door-to-door collecting on their behalf.

And as Tony Bennett once sang, she truly left her heart with all of us.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

9571 North High Street
Lewis Center, OH 43035

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **22**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Corbin Funeral Home
515 High Street
Worthington, OH 43085

Funeral Mass

OCT **23**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church
20 E. Dominion Blvd.
Columbus, OH 43214

Tribute Wall



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Virginia "Ginger" Oswald.*



October 22, 2025 at 07:53 AM



“ *ModeAlise's Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Virginia "Ginger" Oswald.*

ModeAlise's Family - October 22, 2025 at 07:53 AM



“ *The Walsh Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Virginia "Ginger" Oswald.*



The Walsh Family - October 21, 2025 at 12:27 PM



“ *What a wonderful woman. I worked with her for several years. Lost track of her after retirement but we sure had some good years together. I always admired her beautiful wardrobe. What a loss. Am so sorry*

linda lewis - October 08, 2025 at 08:56 PM

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“ Sue Ward Hoffmannbeck lit a candle in memory of Virginia "Ginger" Oswald



Sue Ward Hoffmannbeck - September 25, 2025 at 09:23 AM

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I grew up on Evening St, sometimes babysat for her wonderful family. I would see her around town and we would stop and chat. She was a beautiful lady and so kind. She always looked stunning. Sue Ward Hoffmannbeck

Sue Ward Hoffmannbeck - September 25, 2025 at 09:28 AM

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Thanks Sue! We remember you as being such a fun babysitter with enough energy to keep up with all of us!

Cath Oswald Wilson - October 20, 2025 at 07:26 AM