



## Virginia Chambers Reeves

November 2, 1940 - June 3, 2025

Virginia Chambers Reeves, of New Castle, Indiana, passed away on the evening of Tuesday, June 3, 2025, at The Waters of New Castle. She was 84 years old.

She was born on November 2, 1940, in New Castle, the daughter of the late Scott B. and Helen H. Chambers and granddaughter of Adaline B. and Walter S. Chambers and Floy N. and Walter C. Hartwell.

Virginia was the widow of H. Roger Reeves, whom she married on June 3, 1989. He died January 7, 2007.

She was a 1959 graduate of New Castle Chrysler High School and was the editor of the Rosennial yearbook her senior year. Following her college education at Indiana University, she moved to Evanston, Illinois, where she worked for Encyclopedia Britannica and then for the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company for 12 years.

In 1974, Virginia returned to New Castle and The Courier-Times, the third generation of her family to have owned and worked at the newspaper. She served as Managing Editor until the newspaper business was sold in 1985. In 1962, she was the editor of the dedication issue of The Courier-Times, commemorating the move of the newspaper operation just across the street. It

is now the site of The Hub. Her newspaper experience earned her membership in the elite American Society of Newspaper Editors.

Upon leaving The Courier-Times in 1986, she served as public relations liaison for the New Castle Area Vocational School and the Adult Basic Education programs of the New Castle Community School Corporation.

Mrs. Reeves was active in numerous community organizations, including serving as a member and president of the Advisory Board to the New Castle/Henry County Emergency Medical Service. She served on the Transportation Advisory Committee and served as president of the committee, which initiated the city's New Castle on Wheels bus service. She served on the Henry County Community Foundation Board of Directors, New Castle Beautification Committee, Salvation Army Board, New Castle Area Vocational School Advisory Board, Henry County Reading Council, and United Way Board of Directors. Additionally, she served on the Public Awareness Subcommittee and the Local Support Coalition Subcommittee of the Indiana Adult Literacy Coalition.

She was a member of First Presbyterian Church of New Castle, the College Club, and was the first female member of the Rotary Club of New Castle, the Altruistic Literary Club, the Art Association of Henry County, and the Henry County Historical Society.

Virginia is survived by her cousins, William L. Bailey of Fort Wayne, Bruce C. (Deedee) Bailey, of New Castle, Tom Green of New Castle, Rebecca M. Chambers of Cincinnati, OH, Anne C. Topp of McLean, VA, Catherine C. (Jay) Kennedy, and Walter S. Chambers III, both of Indianapolis.

Donations in Virginia's memory may be made to the Art Association of Henry County/Arts Park, by Clicking Here (<https://www.henrycountyarts.org/product/>

donation/) or by mail at 218 S. 15th St., New Castle, IN 47362

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at Sproles Family Funeral Home with Pastor Danny Douglas officiating. Burial will be held privately in the family garden at South Mound Cemetery.

Friends may call from 11:00 am until the time of the service on Tuesday at the funeral home.

You may offer the family a personal condolence at [www.sprolesfamilycares.com](http://www.sprolesfamilycares.com).

The Sproles family and staff are honored to care for Virginia Chambers Reeves.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 10. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Sproles Family Funeral Home  
2400 S Memorial Dr.  
New Castle, IN 47362

## Funeral

JUN 10. 1:00 PM (ET)

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**Sproles Family Funeral Home** - June 09, 2025 at 04:50 PM