



## Virginia Anne Thurston

July 2, 1945 - January 1, 2019

Virginia Anne (Bradley) Thurston, 73, of New Castle, passed away at home on Tuesday, January 1, 2019.

Known to friends and loved ones as Ginny, she was born on July 2, 1945 in Monticello, Kentucky, a daughter of the late William Gale and Obie Mae (West) Bradley. Her devoted father Bill was a general contractor and free spirit; Obie was a strong woman who owned her own beauty shop and was active in the community and in antiques. Ginny cherished her family and childhood friends, and the experiences they shared together brought her comfort throughout her lifetime.

Ginny graduated from Monticello High School in 1963, and completed her training to be a beautician at Bowling Green, Kentucky, following her mother in the profession. She then married Jack Thurston and moved to Indiana where she attended Ball State University and worked for Merchants National Bank (later First Merchants Bank) in Muncie. She also worked at Murphy's Mart and Citizens State Bank in New Castle. Ginny most recently worked at the New Castle-Henry County Public Library where she treasured her interactions with young patrons in the children's department.

Empathetic and compassionate, Ginny had a burden for the disadvantaged and mistreated. She was a supporter of a variety of civil rights, humanitarian,

and environmental causes. Ginny was a voracious reader and loved history, literature, and current events. She had a true gift for the language and was an engaging conversationalist who vividly brought stories to life. She loved movies, music, homemaking, and nature. A nurturing soul, Ginny especially loved animals and children, and was a devoted and supportive mother to her only child James Thurston of New Castle.

Those left to cherish Ginny's memory include her son, several dear friends, and a special friend Vince Bristow.

In addition to her parents and husband, Virginia was preceded in death by her brother William Gale Bradley, Jr.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Friday, January 4, 2019 at Sproles Family Funeral Home with Pastor Denny Neal officiating.

Friends may call from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service.

Memorial contributions may be offered to the Henry County Humane Society or the Christian Love Help Center. You may send the family a personal condolence at [www.sprolesfamilycares.com](http://www.sprolesfamilycares.com).

The Sproles family and staff are honored to serve the family of Virginia Anne Thurston.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 4. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Sproles Family Funeral Home  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I miss her very much , especially our wonderful late night phone conversations.

We had a Brigadoon three years. She never leaves me. ❤️

Vincent - February 08, 2020 at 03:08 PM

LI

“ So very sad to hear of Aunt Ginny's passing. I've attached a photo of her with her brother Bill from 1950. My heart goes out to her family and friends in IN.



Liz - January 03, 2019 at 06:43 PM

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“ Bradley Nieces & Nephew - Susan, Lisa, Bill & Liz purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Virginia Anne Thurston.



Bradley Nieces & Nephew - Susan, Lisa, Bill & Liz - January 03, 2019 at 06:29 PM



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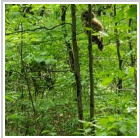
**Sproles Family Funeral Home** - January 03, 2019 at 05:41 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of *Virginia Anne Thurston*.



January 03, 2019 at 01:17 AM



“ *Ronda Davis* lit a candle in memory of *Virginia Anne Thurston*



**Ronda Davis** - January 02, 2019 at 04:27 PM