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**M**ary Virginia “Ginger” Pollock of Anacoco, LA was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend. She left this world for her Heavenly home on September 1, 2021 at the age of 85.

She was born to David and Rachel (Thornton) Self on May 28, 1936 in Fullerton, LA, while her father was working at the Fullerton sawmill. While she was still very young, her family moved to Rayville, in Richland Parish to begin cotton farming. Many times, she has told stories of leaving milk in the running brook near the house to keep it cool, as well as her fear of gathering eggs because she was scared of the hen. After graduating from Holly Ridge High School, she became a telephone switchboard operator for BellSouth in Bastrop, LA. When she met the love of her life, Troy, she gave up the job she enjoyed and became an extraordinary homemaker and Army wife. Six months after their marriage on August 29, 1961, Troy was reassigned for a tour in Germany, and she followed alone to meet him; their family began while they were overseas. They completed another tour in Germany together following a brief assignment in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. She loved her travels in Germany. Nearing retirement, they moved to Anacoco. After her children were grown, she returned to a career and retired from the Vernon Parish School Board as an elementary school cafeteria worker. Pentecostal by faith, she prayed continuously for her family, and made sure her family knew she expected them to attend church and worship God.

Ginger, or “Meemaw” as she was affectionately known by her grandchildren and others, loved spending time in the kitchen, creating delicious meals for others. Her love language was caring for others and she demonstrated that by cooking. If you have ever tasted any of her creations – whether it was biscuits and gravy; roast beef; Mexican casserole; peas and cornbread; and most especially – her famous peanut butter cake (with both cake and frosting made from scratch!) –



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you would anxiously await your next meal. Her favorite times were when she was surrounded by her children and their children – especially those great-grandbabies. She certainly found excuses to allow them to do many things her children would never have gotten away with! She also enjoyed hearing her children sing together, reading her Bible and working her puzzle books.

A homegoing service will be held on Saturday, September 4, 2021 at 10 am at the First United Pentecostal Church in Leesville, LA with Rev. Ben Pollock, Rev. Wesley Manning, and Rev. Mark Christian officiating. Visitation will be held on Friday, September 3, 2021 from 5 pm to 9 pm at the First United Pentecostal Church, Leesville, LA and beginning at 8 until the time of service.

Ginger was preceded in death by her husband, Troy E. Pollock on August 19, 2021; parents, David and Rachel (Thornton) Self; brother, Rev. Oliver Ovis Self and sister-in-law Dorothy (McGaha) Self. She was also preceded in death by Troy's many brothers and sisters and their spouses, as well as her mother-in-law Elvira (Holland) Pollock and her father-in-law Garland Pollock.

She is survived by four children: son, Kim (Debbie) Pollock of Leesville, LA; daughter, Tawania Perkins (Curtiss) of Anacoco, LA; son Rory (Amanda) Pollock of Slagle, LA; and son Troy (Anna) Pollock of Anacoco, LA; brothers: Waine (Jimmie) Self of Monroe, LA, and Jimmy David (Marie) Self of Chatham, LA; and one brother-in-law: Earl (Wanda) Pollock of Hamburg, AR.

16 Grandchildren will cherish her memory: Rev. Ben (Tandi) Pollock; Jeremy Pollock; Christi (Mark) Ashworth; Meagen (Cameron) Smith; Stephanie (Colton) Mosley; Jessie (Mia) Stewart; Tara (Logan) Coger; Nathaniel (Kaylea) Perkins; Jordan Pollock; Nolan and Chelsea Perkins; Kayla (Casey) Stephens; Landen (Alexus) Pollock; Kelli-Jo Pollock; Aaron (Kara) Pollock; and Amber Pollock.



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22 Great-grandchildren will hear countless stories of Meemaw and her kitchen creations: Zackary, Judah and Levi Pollock; Waylon and Noah Pollock; Brayden, Landry and Blayne Ashworth; Paxton and Amelia Smith; Maci and Rowan Mosley; Ezra and Valerie Stewart; Shailyn and Lauren Coger; Nate and Conor Perkins; Paris Burns and Colt Stephens; Hunter Pollock; and GraceLynn Pollock.

She also leaves behind a host of nieces and nephews and special friends, Ronald & Paulette Jeane.

Pallbearers honored to serve will be Curtiss Perkins; Jeremy Pollock; Jordan Pollock; Landen Pollock; Casey Stephens; Aaron Pollock; Zackary Pollock and Macky Dowden. Honorary pallbearers are Sheriff Sam Craft; Chief Calvin Turner; Cameron Smith; Travis Vincent; and Ronald Jeane.

Interment will follow the service at Mitchell Cemetery in Anacoco, LA.



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**Lisa Yates** posted:

To the Pollock Family: I'm so sorry for the loss of your father and then your mother. I can only imagine the grief your family must be suffering because of the loss of your beautiful parents. I hope you find comfort in knowing they are with our Lord in heaven where you will be reunited with them one day. May the Lord give you the peace only He can give. With deepest sympathy, Lisa Yates

September 12 at 7:00 PM



**Lisa Gilliam** posted:

May your hearts soon be filled with wonderful memories of joyful times together as you celebrate a life well lived. Love and Prayers, Earl and Wanda Pollock and Family

September 2 at 7:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Mary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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