



## Virginia "Ginny" (Deco) Bagnato

December 19, 1922 - March 30, 2020

Age 97, on Monday, March 30, 2020, of natural causes, in Berks Heim Nursing Facility, Berks Co., PA. Ginny was born in Willock (in Baldwin Borough) to the late John and Dora (Scandrole) Deco. She also credited as parents the late family members who raised her after her mother died in 1930: grandparents, Ernest and Ernestina Scandrole; later her uncle and aunt, Louis and Minnie Scandrole. Ginny was the first in her family to graduate from high school (Brentwood, 1940). After comptometer school, she worked at Kaufmann's downtown store in the payroll office (1940s-50s). In later years, she worked in St. Elizabeth of Hungary's school cafeteria for over twenty years. Ginny was a founding member of St. Elizabeth Parish and was active there throughout the decades, a dependable volunteer for the Altar Society, the Senior Citizens, and Spring-A-Rama. Many will remember her lovely handwriting, delicious pizzelles, cheerful smile, good math aptitude, fondness for cleaning, conscientious efforts to not be wasteful, devotion to her faith, and indomitable spirit. Predeceased by her husband, Candido; older brother Albert Deco; younger brother John Deco (survived by Rose Deco Colussi of Washington Co.); also predeceased by younger sisters, Elnora (Scandrole) Kuder and Ruth (Scandrole) (the late Max) Brown. She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Marisa and Tom, with whom she resided in recent years. "Aunt Ginny" is also survived by six nieces and two nephews and their families. Funeral arrangements are private because of COVID-19 concerns and restrictions. Arrangements by GRIFFITH FUNERAL HOME, INC., (412)

655-4600. Donations may be made in her memory to St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish, 1 Grove Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15236, or to a food bank. Condolences may be offered for the family at [www.GriffithFH.com](http://www.GriffithFH.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Marisa,

*My cousin Clare in Irwin just sent me your Mom's death notice cut from the newspaper. Immediately I thought: You know who was waiting for her--to go shopping or get into some kind of gracious mischief or crazy volunteer project: my mother, Martha Young. You know much better than I all the adventures those two had over so many years, whether related to St. E's or out and about on the town. The two of them set such an honorable yet quiet example of true giving and sharing and caring. Right now they surely have a lot of "news" to get caught up with and, if you listen carefully, you can surely hear their laughter and camaraderie. Heaven will never be the same!*

*Sincerely, Dr. Edwin M. Young, Tehachapi CA*

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**Dr. Edwin M. Young** - April 11, 2020 at 05:45 AM

BD

“ Aunt Ginny had the sweetest soul❤️ and she always had a smile. She loved her family and we will miss her.



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**Beth Dady** - April 07, 2020 at 01:12 PM

FW

“ Dear Marisa,  
I saw your Mom's death notice in the paper yesterday. It brought back wonderful memories of Ginny, Ken and you from the olden days at St. Elizabeth. I guess I still picture you as a 17 year old student at St. Elizabeth High School. I didn't realize that her mom died when she was ten. Your dad died also when he was still young (in his 50's??). I recall the day he died in Mercy Hospital . . . I was there and I think, maybe, you were with me at his bedside when he died. A good man and an Usher, I think.  
Your mom was also a wonderful woman. I remember her at the cafeteria at St. E's. She was graced to have you support her when Ken died, and in her final years you were her sure harbor of love and security.  
I hope you are well and comforted by your forever care and support of Ginny.  
With Love and Care, Fr. Ken White

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**Fr. Ken White** - April 06, 2020 at 01:30 PM

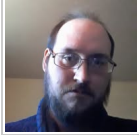
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“ Dear Marisa and Tom, Our deepest sympathy on the loss of your Mom. Virginia was a very kind, sweet, loving person...whom we will never forget. I have beautiful, warm memories of times spent with her. I've attached a picture of Virginia with her cousins, Alice (Rollin) Obringer and Al Rollin at my brother's wedding in September, 1993. May she rest in Peace... Love, Amy Rollin and Marilyn and Jack Schuler



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**Marilyn Schuler** - April 04, 2020 at 01:23 PM



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**Matthew Brown** - April 04, 2020 at 01:25 AM



“ Sorry Aunt Ginny for not being there.

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**Matthew Brown** - April 04, 2020 at 01:23 AM

JV

“ Aunt Ginny has been nothing short of a blessing to our family; she was always a sweet, kind, and thoughtful aunt. She was so beloved by all of us, and she in turn loved us all.

*As a little girl, I always looked forward to Christmas visits with Aunt Ginny. She always brought us a little cash in a Christmas bank envelope, which we tucked into the Christmas tree branches. She also always brought some of her delicious cookies--including my favorite gingersnaps, which I gobbled up! Our visits never lacked lots of laughter.*

*When I was older, I enjoyed driving Aunt Ginny to some family events. We always had plenty to chat about and the trips always seemed too short. Aunt Ginny was interested in hearing everyone's news. My girls always enjoyed seeing Aunt Ginny as well. And they were thrilled when they would get dollars in the mail from Aunt Ginny. She never forgot anyone's special events!*

*We will miss Aunt Ginny so much! I will honor her memory with kindness...and gingersnaps!*

*Love, Jennifer*



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**Jennifer Vetere** - April 03, 2020 at 05:53 PM

JP

“ *Marisa and Tom,  
My deepest Sympathy. I am sadden by thought that you were not able to share Ginny's final hours or funeral with this terrible virus. Be comforted tho' with the knowledge of all the love and care you gave her over many years.  
Again, my sympathy.*

*Joie*

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**Joie Pacifico** - April 03, 2020 at 01:24 PM

SK

“ *Marisa  
I'm sorry for your loss  
Steve Kingsley*



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**Steve Kingsley** - April 01, 2020 at 09:41 AM