



## Virginia E. Forkell

June 17, 1930 - May 31, 2019

Virginia E. Forkell, age 88, of Limerick, PA, passed away on Friday morning, May 31, 2019 in the Seasons Hospice, Phoenixville. Born on June 17, 1930, in Spencerport, NY, to the late John and Sylva (Pritchard) Forkell, she pursued a lifetime of Hispanic ministry to children.

Encouraged by her Church, North Baptist, of Rochester, NY, she attended Baptist Bible Seminary, Clarks Summit, PA, to prepare for a missionary career. Summer employment at Kodak helped pay for college. After graduation, she was accepted by the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism. A year studying Spanish in San Jose, Costa Rica prepared her for four years of ministry to children in Chile, S.A.

Returning to the U.S., she joined Baptist Mid-Missions, and continued children and youth ministries for more than 33 years, with the Spanish Evangelical Baptist Church of Philadelphia, PA. Her retirement years proved fulfilling also, as she distributed and corrected Bible Correspondence Courses in Spanish and English, which included many prisoners. Attending the Royersford Bible Fellowship Church, she assisted in teaching English to Hispanics in ESL classes held in the church.

Surviving are her brother: Lawrence J., and his wife Jean (Hallman) Forkell, of Limerick, PA, a niece: Wanda (Forkell) Mossie; a nephew: Terry Forkell; and

their families; and cousins.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend her funeral service at the Limerick Garden of Memories Good Shepherd Chapel, 44 Swamp Pike, Limerick, PA, on Tuesday, June 4, 2019, at 11:00 am, with the Rev. Ronald Erb officiating. Interment will follow in the Limerick Garden of Memories. Friends will be received from 10:00 - 11:00 am at the Chapel. In lieu of flowers, friends wishing may make contributions to Baptist Mid-Missions Foundation, P.O. Box 308011, Cleveland, OH, 44130-8011. Arrangements are being handled by the Cattermole-Klotzbach Funeral Home, Royersford. Condolences may be offered online at [www.RoyersfordFuneralHome.com](http://www.RoyersfordFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Limerick Garden of Memories

44 Arcadia Drive  
Limerick, PA 19468

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Good Shepherd Chapel  
44 Swamp Pike  
Royersford, PA 19468

## Funeral Ceremony

JUN 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“*Virginia was my teacher, mentor, example, friend and sister in Christ. I am deeply saddened and at the same time, joyful to know she is with her precious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ whom she served all her life. I have never met anyone like her. She was always so gentle, kind and compassionate. When you looked at her, she always seemed so fragile, yet her faith made her very strong. She dedicated her entire life to the service of her King. Much of her life was dedicated in particular to the children and youth of Iglesia Evangelica Bautista. She had 3 or 4 Bible Clubs a week in different people's homes. She taught Sunday School Sunday mornings and directed the Intermediates Group during the week. She accompanied the Young People's Society in all of our endeavors. She took time to be with, advise and mentor many of us individually. She never married. She never had children, but she led a full life and left a legacy that will not be forgotten. Her imprint is in the lives of many who have her to thank for their successes in life. Thank you Miss Virginia! And thank God for you. You truly showed us the image of Christ. We love you.*

*Olga Alvira-Velez*

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**Olga Velez** - June 04, 2019 at 01:04 AM

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“*Marj. and I were in Language School, in Costa Rica, and also in Chile with Ginny. She could laugh at her language mistakes and we all made them. She was faithful and diligent in her work. She was a blessing to have on your team and to have her as a friend.*  
*Elmer and Marjorie Cassidy*

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**Elmer Cassidy** - June 03, 2019 at 12:40 PM

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“ Northridge Church (North Baptist), Rochester, NY purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Virginia E. Forkell .



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**Northridge Church (North Baptist), Rochester, NY - June 03,**  
2019 at 11:41 AM