



## Virginia R. "Ginny" Kotschwar

September 14, 1937 - October 2, 2024

Virginia R. "Ginny" Kotschwar, 87, of Kearney, died October 2, 2024 at C.H.I. Health Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. Funeral services will be 10:30 am, October 7, 2024 at the First United Methodist Church in Kearney with Pastor Matt Fowler officiating. Burial will follow at Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be 2:00 to 4:00 pm, October 6, 2024 at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services. In lieu of flowers memorials are suggested to the First United Methodist Church or to the family to be designated later.

Ginny was born September 14, 1937 to Herman and Martha (Stewart) Berns. She attended school in Culbertson, NE. Ginny married Harold Kotschwar July 26, 1960 in McCook, Nebraska. Ginny worked at Regency of Kearney and co-owned and operated D & D Lawn Care in Kearney.

Ginny will be remembered for her love of God and family as well as her strong work-ethic. She loved to mow and do things for others. In her free time, she loved listening to music and spending time with her friends attending Kearney Live Music events. In her younger years, she played softball and was proud to help raise many children at her in-home daycare. She had fun dressing in costumes and doing skits. Ginny always made people laugh and smile. She would often say, "Do what you love and love what you do!" Ginny lived life to the fullest with her life's motto, "I'd rather wear out than rust out!"

Ginny was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Law Enforcement Spouse's Association, and Kearney Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary.

Ginny is survived by her sons, Tim and Andrea Kotschwar of Kearney, Keith and Sarah Kotschwar of Lantana, TX; daughter, Rhonda and Woody Nelson of Bennington, NE; daughter-in-law, Diana Kotschwar of Kearney; grandchildren, Jeff and Rebecca Kotschwar, Jenn Kotschwar-Anderson and Alex Anderson, Richard and Melissa Fiese, Hayden Kotschwar, Brett and Nichole Nelson, Randi and Chad Sinclair; great grandchildren, Audrey, Makenzie, Alyvia, Zander, Keegan, Paislee, Zach, Sky, Trenton, Grady, Jack, Johnny, June; great- great-grandson, Grayson; brothers, Don and Genice

Berns of Hastings, NE, Gary and Sharon Berns of Broken Bow, NE; sisters, Phyllis Osthoff of Athol, KS, Sharon Couch of Ada, OK, BJ and Gary Schnabel of San Tan Valley, AZ, Dianna and Bob Ferris of Waverly, NE.

Ginny was preceded in death by her husband Harold, daughter-in-law, Trudy Kotschwar, and sister, Carol Post, brothers-in-law, Carl Osthoff and Leon Couch, great grandson, Aiden Kotschwar.

# Cemetery Details

## Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I  
Kearney, NE 68847

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 6. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl  
2421 Avenue A  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 237-2259  
<https://www.hlmkfuneral.com>

## Funeral Service

OCT 7. 10:30 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
4500 Linden Drive  
Kearney, NE 68847

# Tribute Wall

LZ

“ So sorry to read about Virginia. She always had a friendly smile. You have my sympathy!

Luann Zastrow - October 07, 2024 at 05:28 PM

MS

“ Mike & Renee and Kirby & Susan purchased the Serene Retre at for the family of Virginia R. "Ginny" Kotschwar.



Mike & Renee and Kirby & Susan - October 05, 2024 at 10:10 AM

MS

“ Mike & Renee and Kirby & Susan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Virginia R. "Ginny" Kotschwar.

Mike & Renee and Kirby & Susan - October 05, 2024 at 10:10 AM

KC

“ Kate Imming Castrop lit a candle in memory of Virginia Kotschwar



Kate Imming Castrop - October 05, 2024 at 12:46 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Virginia R. "Ginny" Kotschwar.



October 04, 2024 at 02:44 PM

LO

“ Love Pruess's and Oddo's planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Virginia R. "Ginny" Kotschwar.

Love Pruess's and Oddo's - October 04, 2024 at 02:44 PM

AO

“ *Anita Oddo lit a candle in memory of Virginia Kotschwar*



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**Anita Oddo** - October 04, 2024 at 02:39 PM

KL

“ *kathy larson lit a candle in memory of Virginia Kotschwar*



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**kathy larson** - October 03, 2024 at 07:59 PM