



Ms. Virginia Robinson

December 7, 1949 - May 6, 2026

Beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt, mother figure, and friend, Virginia Robinson of Saginaw, Michigan, passed away on May 6, 2026, at the age of 76, surrounded by the love of her family. Known for her kindness, compassion, humor, and unwavering strength, Virginia embraced every moment of life, life relationships, life mysteries, life adventures and above all, she cherished her family.

Born on December 7, 1949, Virginia built her life in Saginaw, Michigan. She graduated from Buena Vista High School and began her career with the United States Postal Service. She later made history as the first Black woman hired at the Saginaw County Sheriff's Office as a Detey Sheriff. As a mother working in law enforcement, she understood the risks of the job. She later hired into the General Motors Security Division, where she would go on to retire. During her years with GM, she also earned an Associate in Arts Degree from Delta College, a testament to her determination and love of learning.

In retirement, Virginia poured her time and heart into helping the elderly community with their daily needs. This naturally became her passion. She also volunteered at voting polls during elections, always committed to serving others and supporting her community.

Virginia had many interests because she had a heart big enough to love

whatever her children and grandchildren and some of her friends loved to do. Whether it was soccer, baseball, basketball, football, shopping, museums, music, traveling, rodeos, or even BMX racing, she was right there, fully involved. We believe she may have been the first mom brave enough to ride a BMX bike on a track and make it to the finish line without falling. If her hobbies sounded like mostly that of kid stuff, that's because she lived life right alongside them, sharing in their joy. Mom had a deep passion for true-crime stories, whether she was watching them on television or reading from her library of true-crime books. It remained one of her favorite pastimes.

Depending on your relationship with her, you may have known her by special names of endearment. Her brothers called her Sissy. Her children lovingly called her Momma or Ma Moo. Her grandchildren knew her as Emmy or Boo Boo Sissy. Among her many titles, her beloved children would affectionately sometime call her "Ms. Goodwill,". A reflection of the way she was always willing to help anyone in need.

No matter the names of endearment, she had a way of teaching life's lessons with love. She was known to give you the test, so that you could learn your lesson. She would then follow up with a questions to you, "now...what did you learn".

Virginia was preceded in death by her mother Bertha Mae Ross Jackson, her father George C. "Jack" Jackson, and her grandson Dominique Jackson (Robert Jackson).

She is survived by her four children: Robert (El Lena) Jackson, Cynthia (Levi) Essex, T.J. (Bridget) Robinson III, and Brandi (Antuan) Haywood; fifteen grandchildren: Robert (Elizabeth) Jackson II, Neverean Cyprus Jackson, Robin Minniesha Mae Jackson, Natalie Rose Monet, Jackson-Withers, Shaunte (Mikel) Tiggs, Charles (Sandra) Robinson, Albany Summers,

Christopher Essex, Mikkal Essex, Ja'hari Essex, Ja'heen Essex, T.J. Robinson IV, and three special grandchildren: Damarius Dorsett, Levi (Kim) Essex, and Camden Haywood; thirty great-grandchildren; her brothers George C. "Lammie" Jackson Jr., Thomas (Debra) Jackson, and Fredrick Jackson; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. She also leaves behind a special friend, more like a sister, Ms. Sandra Kinzer, along with many others who held a deeply cherished place in Virginia's life.

Virginia lived a life full of love, courage, laughter, and purpose. Her legacy lives on in the countless lives she touched, the lessons she taught, and the family she adored. She will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered.

As we say our final goodbyes, we take comfort in knowing that Virginia's love, wisdom, and gentle spirit will continue to live on in each of us. Her legacy is carried in the lives she touched, the kindness she showed, and the memories we will forever hold close. Though she is no longer with us in body, her presence remains in every story shared, every lesson remembered, and every act of love we pass forward.

Family hour will take place at 11:00 a.m. with the funeral service commencing at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 16, 2026 at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 N. Jefferson Ave., Saginaw, MI 48607

Upcoming Events

Family Hour

MAY 16. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home
441 N. Jefferson Avenue
Saginaw, MI 48607
(989) 754-0481
evansbrownes@gmail.com
<https://www.evansbrownesfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

MAY 16. 12:00 PM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home
441 N. Jefferson Avenue
Saginaw, MI 48607
(989) 754-0481
evansbrownes@gmail.com
<https://www.evansbrownesfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall

LB

“ Love, Damion & Teresa Payne & Nana Barb purchased the *Blue Caribbean Bouquet* for the family of Ms. Virginia Robinson.



Love, Damion & Teresa Payne & Nana Barb - 1 hour ago

LB

“ Love, Damion & Teresa Payne & Nana Barb planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Virginia Robinson.

Love, Damion & Teresa Payne & Nana Barb - 1 hour ago

KR

“ Kevin Richard lit a candle in memory of Ms. Virginia Robinson



Kevin Richard - 8 hours ago

VC

“ Vanessa Curry lit a candle in memory of Ms. Virginia Robinson



Vanessa Curry - Yesterday at 08:53 PM

JB

“ *Janice Baston-Lee lit a candle in memory of Ms. Virginia Robinson*



Janice Baston-Lee - Yesterday at 01:37 PM

MM

“ *My deepest condolences to the family of Mrs. Virginia Robinson. Be encouraged and comforted by know that she is no longer in pain or suffering from illness. She will be greatly missed!*

Mary McDonald - May 10 at 03:44 PM

ST

“ *Stella Taylor lit a candle in memory of Ms. Virginia Robinson*



Stella Taylor - May 10 at 10:35 AM

JC

“ *Judge Terry L. Clark lit a candle in memory of Ms. Virginia Robinson*



Judge Terry L. Clark - May 10 at 09:19 AM

TV

“ TaNisha Vaughans lit a candle in memory of Ms. Virginia Robinson



TaNisha Vaughans - May 09 at 05:36 PM

TB

“ Tasha Burkes lit a candle in memory of Ms. Virginia Robinson



Tasha Burkes - May 09 at 02:50 PM

DF

“ Debra Fenn lit a candle in memory of Ms. Virginia Robinson



Debra Fenn - May 09 at 11:52 AM

DF

She Was A Very Good Person ,She Will Be Missed RIP

Debra Fenn - May 09 at 11:53 AM

NM

“ *Natalie McLaurin-Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Virginia Robinson*



Natalie McLaurin-Johnson - May 08 at 12:58 PM

MM

“ *I'm so sorry to hear the passing on of Virginia(Sissy). She was always nice, kind and loving to me always. My memories of Sissy will be with me forever.*

My sincere condolences to the family, may God provide comfort, peace and strength to the family 🙏❤️

Mary Mathious-Crosby - May 08 at 11:44 AM