

November 7, 2025. This morning was the Celebration of Life for Virginia Ginny Evans, a.k.a. Betsy Ross. She



has been a mainstay with the Rankin Chapter starting in 2004. Her presentations with the Rankin Flag Show, that reached almost every 5th grader and 8th grader in Katy ISD for three consecutive years in front of an estimated 15,000 students and adults, cemented her legend. She received almost every medal the SAR can give to a non-member but perhaps the most special was the Texas SAR Education Lifetime Achievement Medal, only two of which can be given in any year, and she was the first female and one of the first five to receive this medal in recognition of her educational performances. It was not uncommon for

school children to ask her if she was Betsy Ross as she was so convincing in the role. The Rankin Chapter has received many national awards and part of that credit goes to the interactions with our dear Ginny. I have no doubt that her memory, infused with her love of country, history, and patriotism, will live on in the memory of those 5th graders and will undoubtedly be a story that they tell their grandchildren many years from now.

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Virginia “Ginny” Evans left her earthly home on October 11, 2025, to be with her Lord.

Ginny’s life was guided by her faith, love of her family, her animals and country. She focused her passion on children first as a room mother and PTA president for her own children, then as a life science teacher at EA Jones Elementary School. During these years, Ginny worked closely with the Houston Zoo, bringing home many unique animals. Ginny also served as President of the Fort Bend Friends of the Library. She then went on to raise miniature donkeys, a cow, goats, horses and more while her grandchildren were young. After the death of her husband of 38 years, Ginny led the Kid’s Club for Club Med International.

Upon her retirement, Ginny poured her energy and love for children and her country into volunteering as “Betsy Ross” and visiting elementary schools across the state of Texas teaching children the history of the American Flag. Ginny was a past Regent of the Tejas Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (“DAR”). She was a member of DAR for more than 30 years, as well as Daughters of Texas. As “Betsy,” she often volunteered with the Robert Rankin Chapter of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution (“SAR”). Ginny was awarded the highest honor by SAR for her contribution to educating children on American History: The Lifetime Achievement Medal for Youth Education. Ginny was only one of three women to ever receive this award from SAR, and she was also nationally recognized by the DAR. She was a Paul Harris Fellow with Rotary International.

Ginny was predeceased by her husband, Travis Evans, son, Joseph Evans and daughter, Tammy McAfee. She leaves behind two children, James Evans and Michelle Bohreer, her Grandchildren, Anthony Evans, James McAfee and his wife Tara, Samantha Evans and Luke Bohreer, many nieces and nephews and many that called her Mama or Grandma that she loved with all her heart as well. She also leaves her sisters, Joy Langworthy, Betsy Gertwagen and Jane Polkowski.