



## Mrs. Virginia Antonia Plante

June 23, 1924 - August 21, 2011

Virginia Antonia Plante, 87, of Lake Elsinore, was born June 13, 1924 in New London, CT to Angelo and Maria Castagna and entered eternal life with God, Our Lord Jesus Christ on August 21, 2011

In June 1946 she married Angelo Tasca. In December 1947 she gave birth to her only child, Anthony. In 1963, they relocated to Santa Barbara. She was married to Angelo until his death in May 1968. In January 1973, she married Joseph "Roger" Plante and was married to him until his death in October 2007 subsequently moving to Lake Elsinore to be with her son.

She was employed by various telephone companies before a long career with Delco Electronics in Goleta as their telephone operator from 1955 until her retirement in 1990. Virginia enjoyed retirement to its fullest, often traveling to Las Vegas to press her luck. She was an active member for many years of the Montecito Country Club and the Elks Lodge. She had an infectious smile that would light up the room and warmed the hearts of many, especially all her grandchildren who knew her as Nannie Ginnie. Mamma Mia!

She is predeceased by her brother, Joseph. She is survived by her brother Alexander (wife Mary); son Anthony (wife Lorena and her 3 children); 6 grandchildren; Leigh-Anna Higgins (husband Patrick) Anthony, Andrea, Arlana, William and Angelo; 4 great-grandchildren; Thomas, Stephanie, Sarah and Shannon, 4 nieces; Rosemary, Carol, Linda and Jody; a nephew, Alex. Visitation will be 9am-through Rosary at 7pm Thursday August 25 at Welch-Ryce-Haider Funeral Home, 15 E. Sola St, Santa Barbara, CA 93101. Mass of

Christian Burial will be at 10am, Friday August 26 at San Rafael Church, 5444 Hollister Avenue, Santa Barbara, CA 93111 followed by interment at Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests a donation made to the American Heart Association, File 30947, PO Box 60000, San Francisco, CA 94160. Visit [www.wrhsb.com](http://www.wrhsb.com) to sign/leave a message online for the family.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

199 North Hope Ave  
Santa Barbara, CA 93110  
(805) 687-8811  
[http://www.archdiocese.la/directories/cemeteries/info.php?cemetery\\_id=3](http://www.archdiocese.la/directories/cemeteries/info.php?cemetery_id=3)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 25.** 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (PT)

Welch-Ryce-Haider - Downtown  
15 E. Sola St.  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
(805) 965-5145  
[info@wrhsb.com](mailto:info@wrhsb.com)  
<https://www.wrhsb.com>

## Rosary

**AUG 25.** 7:00 PM (PT)

Welch-Ryce-Haider - Downtown  
15 E. Sola St.  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
(805) 965-5145  
[info@wrhsb.com](mailto:info@wrhsb.com)  
<https://www.wrhsb.com>

## Funeral Mass

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AUG **26**. 10:00 AM (PT)

St. Raphael Catholic Church  
5444 Hollister Ave.  
Santa Barbara, CA 93111  
<http://www.straphaelsb.com/>

# Tribute Wall



Pat  
Plante

“ Hello, my name is Patricia Plante from Chelsea. ME. My Aunt Lucille Plante wrote to Roger several times. I have a letter here dated Jan 1996 from Roger with the envelope stating Roger Plante Realty, 3779 Lincolnwood Dr, Santa Barbara CA 93110. I have never met any of you. Would be nice to hear back from a family member. I am on Facebook...Pat J Plante.  
Sorry for your loss

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**Pat Plante** - December 17, 2020 at 03:26 PM



KC

“ Aunt Virginia as she was known to me was probably the kindest, sweetest and most generous woman I have ever known. My fondest memories were with Virginia, Roger her Mom and Dad and all the extended family. Sunday dinners were my favorite time at their home with many wonderful memories and treasured times. To all of her family may I send my greatest sympathy...for I know she is truly a loss to all of you. May God be with you in your time of grief and know that my heart aches. I thank you all for the incredible family that you are and for the memories I have and will continue to carry with me. Love to you all, Kathleen

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**Kathleen Cardenas** - August 25, 2011 at 10:53 AM



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**Anthony Tasca** - August 25, 2011 at 01:44 AM

AS

*How I miss my mother, it's been six years since this pic was taken, the last day before she passes away. I was blessed by terrific parents who shows love, care, and respect both mom and dad.*

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**Anthony Tasca, her son** - August 20, 2017 at 12:18 PM

AT

*It's now 8/23/18, another year has passed, now seven years, I remember my childhood days when I would get ready for sleep she and I would say our daily prayers each night, I miss my mom but she is in heaven with my dad, as I was blessed by the greatest parents.*

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**Anthony Tasca** - August 25, 2018 at 12:59 AM

AT

*Today marks nine years since Mom went to heaven. she will never be forgotten, I miss her as she was the one I would go to when I had a problem. I was blessed to have a mother named Cirginia, and bless with my dad Angelo, two loving, caring, and awesome parents. From her son Anthony*

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**Anthony Tasca** - August 21, 2020 at 10:50 AM

AT

*This is Anthony Tasca, Virginia's son, today marks 10 years since my mom passed away. I miss my mom as she was my inspiration and admiration in how you face life's challenges. Her most famous quote was you smile the world smiles but when you cry you cry alone. Though she is gone, she will never be forgotten, and that goes for both my mom and my dad.*

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**Anthony Tasca** - August 21, 2021 at 05:06 AM

AT

*I miss you mom, this is Anthony Tascas, it is now 11 years since you left us here for eternity in heaven. You will never be forgotten, you were quick to listen but slow to anger and does h. Hope someday we can be reunited in heaven.*

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**Anthony Tasca** - August 21, 2022 at 01:26 PM

AT

*To my mom Virginia, I love and miss you, I been blessed by a loving and caring mother and to those who knew her including her grandchildren , from her son Anthony*

**Anthony Tasca** - August 21, 2023 at 06:51 PM

AT

*I miss you mom, when matters became difficult you were always there to guide and encourage me to never give up, to never quit, and to finish strong at the end of every problem there is a solution, you are with the Lord, no more pain or suffering or sadness but only joy, Love Anthony*

**Anthony Tasca** - August 22, 2023 at 01:32 AM

AS

*This is her son Anthony, in memory of my mom Virginia who helped so many people and her warm smile brought happiness to many including me. As I mentioned my before I was fortunate to have loving parents with Virginia and Angelo my dad.*

**Anthony Tasca, her Son** - August 28, 2024 at 02:45 AM

AT

*This is August 21, 2025, it's morning and as I remember mom you singing, happy helping out together as a family and in fact you told Jimmy and I go take care of business as we went to Lowe's late that morning which was a Sunday. I had Arlana to hero an eye on you as you were recovering from a heart attack the week before,?and they at the hospital put a stint which you did not like. While Arlana checked on you several times but on the third time she didn't hear from you and found you slump over the bath tub. I trusted home going 100 mph to reach you, but it was too late as the responders tried to save you from cardiac arrest, but it was too late and you were pronounced deceased at 2 PM. This is Anthony your son, who missed you in many ways as I will always love you as you were always and will be in my heart forever. I visited you yesterday where you are at Calvary but mom you are in the best place you can be with Jesus. Thank God for parents like you and dad whip I consider the best parents zi could ever have, I am grateful from my heart. Love your son Anthony*

**Anthony Tasca** - August 21, 2025 at 12:35 PM



“ Stephanie Amber Higgins was added to the Family Tree.

Anthony Tasca - August 25, 2011 at 01:09 AM



“ Patrick Higgins was added to the Family Tree.

Anthony Tasca - August 25, 2011 at 01:08 AM



“ William Christopher Tasca was added to the Family Tree.

Anthony Tasca - August 25, 2011 at 01:07 AM



“ Arlana Elaine Tasca was added to the Family Tree.

Anthony Tasca - August 25, 2011 at 01:06 AM



“ Joseph Roger Plante was added to the Family Tree.

Anthony Tasca - August 25, 2011 at 12:53 AM



Joseph Plante was a relative of mine. He used to write to my Aunt Lucille Plante. I have some letters.

Pat Plante - December 17, 2020 at 03:30 PM



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**Anthony Tasca** - August 25, 2011 at 12:34 AM



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**Anthony Tasca** - August 25, 2011 at 12:16 AM

AT

“ *I miss you Nannie! I will never forget the love we shared. I know you are flying around in heaven with Angels. I'll be chasing you around the clouds when I am flying, just watch out for the landings, they are much harder than the takeoffs. I can hear you saying Mamma Mia after the first one. I love you! Your first grandson always---Anthony*

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**Anthony Andrew Tasca** - August 24, 2011 at 01:03 PM