



J. Paul Mecca

May 18, 1951 - August 7, 2025

J. Paul Mecca, 74, of Gloversville, passed away at home on Thursday, August 7, 2025.

He was born in his family home in Gloversville, NY on May 18, 1951, and lived there the entirety of his life. He was the only child of Joseph S. and Frances M. Gokas Mecca.

Paul was a 1969 graduate of Bishop Burke High School and earned his associates degree from Fulton Montgomery Community College.

He was an electronic design engineer with The Anderson Instrument Company (Anderson-Negele) in Fultonville, NY. Paul retired in 2013 after 25 years of service.

Paul enjoyed redesigning products to improve functionality, even apart from his job. He could be found modifying household items in his free time.

Additionally, he enjoyed fishing, hiking, gardening, and shooting. He was a quality cigar enthusiast and participated in countrywide cigar swaps.

Passionate about the second amendment, Paul was a lifelong member of both the NRA and Pine Tree Rifle Club. He enjoyed many years using his ham radio and making connections with like minds.

Survivors include his loving wife, Pamela A. Richards Mecca, whom he married on July 14, 1979; his daughter, Jennifer Phillips and her husband, Jason of PA; his grandchildren, Logan and Paige Phillips; several nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends, including, Steve Mauro and Mike Patino.

A calling hour will be held on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, from 11-1 p.m. at

the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc. 111 County Highway 106 (corner of Route 29 & Black Street), Johnstown, NY. Funeral services will follow at 1 p.m. with Rev. Dr. R.W. Williams. officiating. Burial will be in Ferndale Cemetery, Johnstown, NY.

Memorial contributions may be made in Paul's memory to Tunnels to Towers Foundation at 2361 Hylan Blvd, Staten Island, NY 10306 or at www.t2t.org.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

AUG 13. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Mike Bishop lit a candle in memory of J. Paul Mecca*



Mike Bishop - August 14, 2025 at 03:44 PM

SK

“ *Paul was always a quiet presence in high school and very amiable. My deepest sympathy to the family and all will be remembered in my prayers.*

Sr Clare Stephen Kralovic - August 13, 2025 at 08:14 AM

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“ *Donna Hamilton & Robert Kemper purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of J. Paul Mecca.*



Donna Hamilton & Robert Kemper - August 12, 2025 at 10:18 AM

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“ One warm evening, two men each sat on their front porch stoops holding their most precious gifts, their daughters. This was 45 years ago and even though time, changes in interest, and the challenges life threw them, remained friends, until this fateful morning. Both men were named Paul. Their wives, Pam and Toni also have maintained a long friendship that started with their daughters and shared the good times of family and times of need when a friend was needed. Even though we live across the street from each other, time was just another day, another child for one and after grandchildren for both. We shared years, experiences, happiness and sadness. Now sadness is here, but it can't beat the wonderful memories that time gave to us. J. Paul will live on in our hearts with smiles of great times, tears with smiles of the fun and funny, and to know that all of his pain is now gone. He left his wife of 46 years with the message that only a few have heard "I LOVE YOU". In all of life to the end this is what all of us want to hear and to know that he knew you were here, always for him. Pam and Jennifer, know that you were both loved to the greatest extent of life. No spouse, child or parent is easy. But what is true in their heart, reaches beyond the end of time. He loved you both with a full heart and with his passing he took his greatest memories with him, both of you.

Toni F Christman - August 09, 2025 at 05:16 PM