



## Marion F. Gahr Sira

December 9, 1939 - July 23, 2021

Marion F. Gahr Sira, 81, of Thompson Street, Broadalbin, passed away on Friday, July 23, 2021, at Nathan Littauer Hospital, Gloversville surrounded by her loving family.

She was born in Amsterdam on December 9, 1939, the daughter of Frederick and Frances Harris Gahr and lived in West Galway before moving to Broadalbin at age seven. Marion was a 1957 graduate of Broadalbin High School and was a longtime village resident.

Mrs. Sira waitressed at the former Brick Oven and at the C & R Restaurant. Later, she was a school bus driver for the Broadalbin-Perth School District for twenty-five years.

Marion was the original founder of the Adirondack Arts & Craft Guild and was the Fresh Air Chairperson of the Fonda/Gloversville Chapter. She served as the NYS Teacher's Union president for local school bus drivers.

Marion loved her home and all those activities it afforded. She excelled at quilting, sewing, knitting, decorating, gardening and cooking. There was nothing she couldn't do. She loved children; both hers and any others she could get her hands on. Marion enjoyed arranging her BHS class reunions and so looked forward to seeing her childhood friends. But most of all, she loved her children, the "jewels in her crown", her grandchildren, and her great-grandchildren. She never missed an opportunity to tell them she loved them and how proud of them she was.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her daughter-in-law,

Louise.

Survivors include her husband, John P. Sira, Sr., whom she married on December 25, 1963; three children, Susan (Ronald) DeRocker of Broadalbin, John P. Sira, Jr. of Mayfield, and Rebecca Sira (Shawn Seeley) of Johnstown; six grandsons, Cameron, Jeremiah, Garrison, John, Darrien, and Wyatt; five great-grandchildren, Elyssa, Paisley, Alyson, Vienna, and Peter; and a cousin, Carol (Don) Freer.

Calling hours will be held on Tuesday from 10 am-noon at the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc., 111 County Highway 106 (Corner of Route 29 & Black Street), Johnstown followed by a funeral service at noon with Rev. Linda Martin, officiating. Burial will be West Galway Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Broadalbin Library Station or to St. Jude Children's research Hospital, both in care of the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## West Galway Cemetery

Amsterdam, NY 12010

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

JUL 27. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Halgas Funeral Home  
111 County Highway 106  
Johnstown, NY 12095  
(518) 883-5323  
debbie@halgasfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.halgasfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

JUL 27. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

WC

“ I am so slow on the uptake these days that I didn't see the obituary until today. Marion was a favorite of mine and she and my brother were classmates in school. Everything about her will be missed. I know she had a. Lot of pain in recent years so now she can rest in peace. To the whole family and especially John,sr. Thank you for sharing her with the rest of us. God bless

William Clizbe - August 06, 2021 at 08:32 PM

PC

“ TO John AND FAMILY Please accept my deepest condolences, It was with great pleasure that I got to know this lovely lady and together we shared many smiles.

Sincerely Pat Robinson, Cosselman July 3 10:32 AM

Patricia Cosselman - August 03, 2021 at 10:34 AM

SF

“ John Sr and John Jr, my condolences to you and the whole family. May Mrs Sira now rest in peace. God bless.

Sue Furlong - July 30, 2021 at 09:16 AM



John, Sr, my brother at Kenyetto Lodge, and John Jr...my deepest sympathy to your family on the passing of this wonderful lady...I am so, so sorry...My love, hugs and prayers to all.

Katherine Skrzynecki - July 30, 2021 at 01:22 PM



*My deepest condolences to your family, John, Sr and John, Jr...a most beautiful lady has passed, and, yet, she is still with you, and with little signs, you will know and realize when...My love, hugs and prayers are with you all.*

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**Katherine Skrzynecki** - July 30, 2021 at 01:26 PM

JC

*“ To the Sira family. Marion was a very generous person even with her grand children allowing them to invite kids over with everything she had to do herself. It didn't matter the hour or noise and feed them even when she didn't need to. I am sure MANY things will be missed by her.*

*Always remember the good memories to carry you through the tough times.*

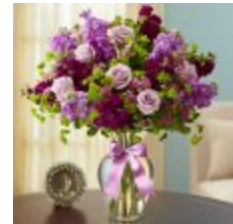
*Tom & Jennifer Christopher's Family*

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**Jennifer Christopher** - July 30, 2021 at 09:10 AM



*“ Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Marion F. Gahr Sira.*



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July 28, 2021 at 04:18 AM

BL

*“ To the Sira family: Please accept our sincere condolences on Marion's passing.*

*Bill & Marlene*

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**Bill & Marlene Lair** - July 27, 2021 at 12:18 PM

DM

“ My heart goes out to your family. I have such fond memories of Mrs. Sira. She always had a smile for everyone and her energy was contagious. I pray you find peace and comfort during this difficult time. Her legacy is sure to live on. Sending prayers to all. 🙏❤️

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**Diane Flanagan McKenna** - July 27, 2021 at 11:04 AM

JJ

“ TO THE SIRA FAMILY AND FRIENDS. OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY GOES OUT TO YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS AT THIS TIME OF LOSS OF A LOVED ONE. OUR HEARTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU ALWAYS.

JOHN & ROSE SHEPARD  
BENSON

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**JOHN SHEPARD , III** - July 27, 2021 at 09:28 AM

LR

“ Dear Sira Family,

Marion and I have been friends for years. We worked together at the Brick Oven where Marion was a favorite of many customers. She would make me laugh so hard when she would have tough customers , she would give them a smile that would melt your heart.

Our children grew up together and Rebecca and my daughter Christina were real good friends getting in trouble together and tormenting John Peter. I will love you forever Marion . You loved your children and grandchildren so much. Your great grand child to you was pure delight. Rest in Peace my dear friend till we meet again.

Linda Rossi

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**Linda Rossi** - July 27, 2021 at 06:13 AM

CH

“ Sue, Ron, Boys and Families.....May God grant you the strength you all need to get through this difficult time. We wish you peace in the knowledge that she is at peace in a wonderful place! Charlotte and Ken Hoover

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**Charlotte & Ken Hoover** - July 26, 2021 at 06:08 PM

EN

“ Deepest condolences to the family. 🦋

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**Ellen Nedo** - July 26, 2021 at 04:12 PM

SW

“ I worked with her at Mohawk Furniture staining & sanding beds & dressers etc.

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**Sherry Weiderman** - July 26, 2021 at 02:05 PM

MJ

“ To the Sira family: We were saddened to read that Mrs. Sira passed away.  
We are sure that all of you have many happy memories that will give you strength and comfort during this time.  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Bill, Marj and Abby Jones

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**Marj Jones** - July 26, 2021 at 01:55 PM

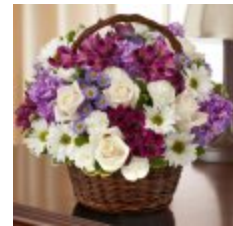
LR

“ I was always in awe of Marion’s clever crafty projects and her endless energy. Although her last years striped her of that boundless energy, her bright, beautiful spirit never wavered. I know her husband John, daughters Susan and Rebecca, son John, grandchildren and great grandchildren loved her unconditionally and were very proud and thankful to have her their lives. She will be missed by family and friends always. It is comforting to know she is at peace in Heaven with our Lord. My sincerest sympathy to John, my sister-in-law Susan, my nephews, Cameron and Garrett and the entire Sira family, Sincerely, Linda Ruby

Linda Ruby - July 26, 2021 at 11:44 AM

LF

“ Leslie Ford purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of Marion F. Gahr Sira.



Leslie Ford - July 26, 2021 at 11:41 AM

LD

“ Linda Ruby and Brigette DaBiere purchased the Healing Tears - All White for the family of Marion F. Gahr Sira.



Linda Ruby and Brigette DaBiere - July 26, 2021 at 11:11 AM