



## Rita E. McGivern

January 15, 1948 - June 18, 2021

Rita E. McGivern, lovingly known as “Mimi”, 73, of Curtain Avenue, Mayfield, NY, passed away on Friday June 18, 2021 at Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester with loving family at her side.

She was born in Troy, NY on January 15, 1948 a daughter of Thomas and Rita Brown Davin, Sr. and received her early education in Mechanicville. Rita was a 1967 graduate of Catholic Central High School in Troy. She was a longtime resident of Stillwater and moved to Mayfield ten years ago.

Mrs. McGivern was employed as a program analyst with the NYS Higher Education Services Corp. in Albany for forty-three years, retiring in 2010. She was a member of St. Joseph’s Church in Broadalbin and enjoyed volunteering at various church functions.

Rita enjoyed flower gardening and reading. She also was a volunteer at the schools her grandchildren attended. Mostly, Rita loved spending time with family and friends.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by a brother, Thomas J. Davin, Jr.

Survivors include her husband, Ronald M. McGivern, whom she married on September 23, 1972; two daughters, Helen (Dr. David) Lehr of Whiteville, NC and Alice McGivern (Mayor Jamie Ward) of Mayfield; five grandchildren, Kaitlyn and Andrew Lehr, Aiden McGivern, and Bailey and Joseph Ward; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Calling hours will be held on Thursday from 4 – 7 pm at the Robert M. Halgas

Funeral Home, Inc. 111 County Highway 106 (Corner of Route 29 & Black Street), Johnstown. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday at 9am at St. Joseph's Church 7 North Street, Broadalbin with Rev. Jun Segura, officiating. Burial will be at noon at the Gerald B. H. Solomon-Saratoga National Cemetery, 200 Duell Rd. Schuylerville. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Assoc., in care of the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## Gerald B.H. Soloman Saratoga National Cemetary

200 Duell Road  
Schuylerville, NY 12871

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

JUN **24.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUN **25.** 9:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph's Church  
7 North St.  
Broadalbin, NY 12025

## Graveside Service

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JUN **25**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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200 Duell Road  
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# Tribute Wall

GJ

“ *Very sorry for the families loss. While I only got to meet Mimi a couple of times she always warmly welcomed me to her home and I was happy to have known her.*  
George



George Taylor, Jr - June 24, 2021 at 01:29 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Rita E. McGivern.*



June 23, 2021 at 08:17 PM



“ *Cherished Memories - All White was purchased for the family of Rita E. McGivern.*



June 23, 2021 at 02:40 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Rita E. McGivern.*



June 23, 2021 at 12:31 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Rita E. McGivern.*



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June 23, 2021 at 10:51 AM



“ *Cherished Memories - Multicolor Pastel was purchased for the family of Rita E. McGivern.*



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June 22, 2021 at 01:31 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss.*

*I worked with her for almost 27 years. I enjoyed every minute that I knew her. I missed her, and every person who has not met her will miss knowing her. I will miss her and always keep her in my heart, and you're in my prayers. RIP Rita.*  
*Bridget Nelson*  
*Co-worker*



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**Bridget Nelson** - June 22, 2021 at 12:03 PM

Betsy Flynn

“ My condolences to Ron and his family. Rita and I became friends when our two girls started grade school at Assumption St. Paul’s school in Mechanicville. There were many happy times when our girls spent endless hours at each other’s homes, they were then and are now so filled with joy!  
Rita was a wonderful friend, wife, mother and grandmother! May she have eternal rest in the arms of the Lord.

Betsy Flynn - June 22, 2021 at 10:55 AM



“ White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Rita E. McGivern.



June 22, 2021 at 10:11 AM



“ Ron, and Family.....I was very sorry to read of Rita's passing. She is at peace, and enjoying the presence of God, in Paradise. Stay strong, as life continues. Hold tightly onto your memories of your life together.....Al Smith

Al Smith - June 22, 2021 at 06:49 AM



“ Peaceful Wishes was purchased for the family of Rita E. McGivern.



June 21, 2021 at 08:35 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Rita E. McGivern.*



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June 21, 2021 at 06:50 PM



“ *Ron and family, So sorry to read of Rita's passing. You are in my prayers. Bonnie Martin*

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**Bonnie Martin** - June 21, 2021 at 06:28 PM



“ *So very sorry for your loss, Ronnie. God bless you and yours. Larry Golden*

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**Larry Golden** - June 21, 2021 at 06:21 PM



“ *We met Rita, Mimi not long after she came to Mayfield and became firm friends. Spent endless days in Summer drinking tea by the Lake, sharing stories. Putting the world right, discussing family issues & laughter was shared. Gardening tips & plants 🌿 were among our topics as well as swapping books. Loved you Mimi. You will be sorely missed. RIP my friend.*

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**marje perkins** - June 21, 2021 at 05:34 PM



*Ronnie Helen and Allie ..so sorry at the loss of Rita. Many happy memories of her and you all. I hope those memories help you move forward and remember her with joy in your heart. Michael Nofal*

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**Michael Nofal** - June 21, 2021 at 10:06 PM

DF

*I will always cherish our conversations at NYSHESC. Rita told me once " Sometimes the only Jesus people see will be from you" she always gave caring advice when I shared stories of my children and grandchildren with her, we even had tearful moments. She was a true gem and heaven has definitely gained an angel.  
God bless and hold the family in His forever loving arms.  
Danielle Freeman*

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**Danielle Freeman** - June 21, 2021 at 10:39 PM

MM

*Ron and girls, So sorry to hear of Rita's passing. I will always remember the great time we had at St. Paul's seder meal. I still smile when thinking of all the laughs that night. There are no words that will help at this time, but just knowing she was loved by so many people, speaks volumes of the wonderful woman Rita was. She was a special woman for sure. Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Mary Sullivan Moyles*

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**Mary Moyles** - June 22, 2021 at 07:22 PM

JD

*I worked with Rita at HESC for several years. She was a delightful woman and very kind. Never an unkind work from her. Everyone I knew was very fond of her.  
I'm sorry for your grief  
Jack Durand*

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**John Durand** - June 30, 2021 at 01:55 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Yellow and White was purchased for the family of Rita E. McGivern.*



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June 21, 2021 at 05:17 PM