



## Gladys Edith (Kinns) Cuva

April 10, 1934 - March 8, 2017

Clifton Park, NY

Gladys Edith (Kinns) Cuva, passed into the arms of our Lord surrounded by her loving family on Tuesday, March 8, 2017, at the Hospice Inn at St. Peter's Hospital, Albany. Gladys was born in Troy, the second of nine children of the late Wilfred N. and Dorothy Shader Kinns. During her youth, the family lived on Maiden Lane in the Orchard section of Cohoes. At the age of 16, to support their family, Gladys and her brother, Bill Kinns, sought employment at Barclay Home Products (the Mills), where she met the love of her life, Frederick. They married in 1953 and began their storybook romance in Cohoes on Central Avenue and then on Lancaster Street.

In 1968, Gladys and Fred embarked on an adventure and moved their family to Clifton Park. Throughout the years, Gladys was employed at Tek Hughes in Watervliet, the Boston Store in Latham, BeeGee Records in Latham and The Travelers Insurance Company in Colonie. But it was her employment from 1996 to 2012 at Shenendehowa Central School District, working as an aide for children with special needs, where Gladys found her calling and passion. She adored the children she cared for and cherished each and every one of them. Gladys also developed loving and lasting friendships with those she worked with at the Transportation Office. Over the years, and right up to the day we lost her, Mom has shared her memories of each and every one of you.

You all became her forever friends- she loved you all. Gladys and Fred were devoted communicants of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Crescent. Gladys enjoyed ceramics, bingo and bowling and along with her husband, was a longtime member of the Clifton Park Bowling League, the Monday Night Odd Couples. In recent years, Gladys and Fred enjoyed dining at the Ninety Nine Restaurant in Clifton Park where the staff embraced them as family. For nearly 50 years, Gladys and Fred lived in the neighborhood, in the same house, on the same street, and began relationships with people who became our family- those who laughed and cried with us through the good times and the hard times. Mom loved you all so much. We love you.

In 2014, Gladys lost her loving and devoted husband, Frederick J. Cuva Sr. She is survived by her adoring children, Roger (Lynne) Cuva, Deborah (John) Ehlers, April (James) Hodson, Fredrick, Jr. (Donna) Cuva, Samuel Cuva, and stepson, Frederick (Deborah) Donlon and his family. Gladys is the sister of Richard (Paula) Kinns, Shirley Langlais; sister-in-law, Jane Kinns; and brother-in-law, John Valenti. She was predeceased by brothers, Bill Kinns, Robert Kinns; sisters, Betty (Charles) Pluckrose, and baby-sister, Dorothy (John) Valenti. Gladys is also survived by nine incredible grandchildren, Jason Belli, Talia (Peter) Malaquias, Christopher (Rachel) Hodson, Nicholas (Julie) Hodson, Jamison (Georgiana) Hodson, Stephen and Andrew Cuva, Ryan Cuva, Zachary Cuva; one great-grandchild, Maximus Malaquias; goddaughter, Karen Kinns (Tironi); and many much-loved nieces and nephews. Our heartfelt and sincere gratefulness to the wonderful doctors and nursing professionals who cared so lovingly for our mother. You are very special to us.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 13, in St. Mary's Crescent Catholic Church, 86 Church Hill Road, Waterford. Interment will be with Gladys' beloved husband, Fred, in the Gerald B.H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery, 200 Duell Road, Schuylerville, following the Mass. Relatives and friends are invited to call on the family on

Sunday, March 12, from 3-6 p.m. in the Marra Funeral Home, 246 Remsen St., Cohoes 12047. In lieu of flowers, donations in Mrs. Cuva's memory may be directed to The Community Hospice Foundation, 310 S. Manning Blvd., Albany, NY 12208 or online at [sphp.com/ways-to-give](http://sphp.com/ways-to-give). Online condolences to the family may be made by visiting <http://www.marrafuneralhome.com>

# Cemetery Details

## Gerald B.H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery

200 Duell Road  
Schuylerville, NY 12871  
[http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/geraldbhso  
lomonsaratoga.asp](http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/geraldbhso<br/>lomonsaratoga.asp)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAR 12.** 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Marra Funeral Home  
246 Remsen Street  
Cohoes, NY 12047  
(518) 237-0206

## Service

**MAR 13.** 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Church Crescent  
86 Church Hill Rd  
<http://www.stmaryscrescent.com/>

# Tribute Wall

KS

“ *My sincere condolences to Gladys' family. Her smile was contagious and i will miss her genuine love for people. Sending love to you all.*

**Kiki St.Jacques** - March 12, 2017 at 08:41 AM

KM

“ *Kevin, Robbie and Marq purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Gladys Edith (Kinns) Cuva.*



**Kevin, Robbie and Marq** - March 11, 2017 at 02:56 PM

MC

“ *Fred and I are so sorry for your loss. Your Mom was a lovely woman . The Conleys*

**Mary Ann Conley** - March 11, 2017 at 10:40 AM

EK

“ *My deepest condolences to all of the family on the loss of your mother and grandmother, Gladys. She was a special person to each of you and I hope you will find comfort in knowing she loved you and was so proud of all of you. I enjoyed visiting with her when she was here in Connecticut in recent years.*

*With sympathy, Emily Keltonic*

**Emily D. Keltomoic** - March 11, 2017 at 09:12 AM

RS

“ I am so very sorry for the loss of your beloved mother. Please take comfort in the loving memories of the life you shared together. She is always with you.  
In sympathy,  
Rhonda Spaziani



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**Rhonda Spaziani** - March 11, 2017 at 06:34 AM

SW

“ Deborah, Fred and the Cuva family so sorry for you loss. Gladys was a sweetheart. Enjoyed working with her at Travelers.  
  
Shawn Wasula

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**Shawn Wasula** - March 10, 2017 at 10:02 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Gladys Edith (Kinns) Cuva.



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March 10, 2017 at 09:34 PM

MJ

“ Dear April and Jim along with members of the Cuva family,

*Matt and I are sending condolences to you and the family on the passing of your beloved mother. Please know that all of you are in my thoughts and prayers. May the comfort of family and the support of friends provide solace at this time.*

*Sincerely,*

*Mary Ellen and Matt*

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**Mary Ellen Jukoski** - March 10, 2017 at 12:22 PM