



## Rozanne Collins McGraw

August 2, 1919 - July 7, 2021

Rozanne Collins McGraw, age 101, of Bloomfield Hills, passed away July 7, 2021. She was born August 2, 1919 in Detroit to John and Mary Muga Collins.

Rozanne worked for the State of Michigan, Department of Social Services for twenty-six years. She ended her career as the supervisor of Food Stamp distribution retiring in 1986. Rozanne graduated from Central High School in Detroit in 1936. She graduated from Wayne State College with a degree in Sociology in 1940. Nan was born and raised in the city of Detroit. She often told stories about the city in its prime and was happy to see its revitalization. Mom was a member of Our Lady of Refuge Catholic Church in Orchard Lake. She helped to distribute food to the community through the Meals on Wheels program. Rozanne was a lifelong patron of the DSO. As a child, Nan rode the streetcar or roller skated with her sister Peggy to the DIA. She enjoyed traveling with friends and family and told many stories about the adventures they experienced. Mom, Nana, Grandma, GG, will be remembered as a tower of strength who went on to raise her family with grace, fortitude, and humor. She will be deeply missed by all.

Loving mother of Kathleen Johnson of Southfield, Michael McGraw (Joan) of Farmington, Rozanne McGraw of Walled Lake, Timothy McGraw (Brenda) of Pontiac, and Molly Potter (Steve) of Austin, Texas; dear sister of the late

Margot Jane Collins Brabant and James Francis Collins; and proud grandmother of nine grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Monday, July 12, 2021 from 9:30 a.m. until the time of Mass 10 a.m. at the National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, 2100 W. 12 Mile Rd., Royal Oak. Burial at Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Detroit.

Memorials to Focus: HOPE, Michigan Parkinson Foundation or Detroit Symphony Orchestra are appreciated.

Arrangements by Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, Royal Oak, [www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com).

# Cemetery Details

## **Mt. Olivet Cemetery**

17100 VanDyke  
Detroit, MI 48234

# Previous Events

## **Funeral Mass**

JUL **12.** 10:00 AM (ET)

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica  
2100 W. 12 Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48073

# Tribute Wall

DN

“ *In life there are rare people you meet that you immediately connect with, kindred spirits if you will. Nan was that person a million times over. Gracious, vivacious, full of wit and a laugh that would ring like a clarion. Yet there was also a stately strength, and she did not have much tolerance for bad behavior in general, but especially in elected officials. We are grateful to have had her in our lives. The love her children and family members demonstrated during her final years is a wonderful measure of family fortitude and should be commended. We will miss her and her lively spirit.*  
*Much love, Deb and Steve Nicholas and family, Rochester NY*

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**Deb Nicholas** - July 10, 2021 at 04:33 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Rozanne Collins McGraw.*



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July 10, 2021 at 12:07 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Rozanne Collins McGraw.*



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July 10, 2021 at 10:54 AM

JD

“Joyce Davis purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Rozanne Collins McGraw.



Joyce Davis - July 09, 2021 at 11:49 PM

SH

“Dear beautiful Aunt Nan, we will miss you but we were so lucky to have you in our lives for so long! I’m sure Nana, Mom, Margo, Rich and others greeted you saying “what the heck took you so long?!” You have loved me and supported me throughout my life during good times and hard times, and I will never forget it! You managed to raise five children on your own and they are living proof of what a fantastic Mom you were to them. I will miss you with all my heart! “It is only for a while that we must part, so bless the memories within your heart.” See you later, alligator.  
Love,  
Suzanne



Suzanne Herpel - July 09, 2021 at 04:41 PM

MM

“ *Matt & Colleen Mulcahy purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Rozanne Collins McGraw.*



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**Matt & Colleen Mulcahy** - July 08, 2021 at 09:30 PM