



Ronald S. McGay

July 4, 2025

Ronald S. McGay, 87, of North Syracuse, passed away on Friday, July 4th. Born in Brooklyn, a son of the late Robert T. and Winifred (Scarborough) McGay, Sr., he was a 1957 graduate of North Syracuse High School. He studied electronics at SUNY Morrisville, graduating in 1959, leading to a career beginning with General Electric. He retired after 25 years of service in the late 1990's from Picker X-ray where he was an X-ray machine service technician.

Ron served in the U. S. Air Force, beginning in 1958 with the reserves, and was called to active duty to serve in Germany until 1962. He was a member of the Baldwinsville Moose Lodge. For more than 60 years, he has been a member of Faith Journey United Methodist Church. Summers, he enjoyed camping in Lowville, NY.

Travel was his joy. As a life member of the NYS Covered Bridge Society, as a cruising enthusiast, and especially as a follower of Scottish pipe bands, he and his wife, Al, travelled in search of the bridges and Scottish games. Travels included a yearly trip to Cornwall, Canada, for the Highland Games.

In addition to his parents, Ron is predeceased by his brother, Robert T. McGay, Jr., and his wife of 61 wonderful years, the former Alberta "Al" Nash on December 29, 2021. Surviving are a daughter, Cynthia (George) Slavinski;

grandchildren, Nicole (Richard) Ramos and Nicholas Slavinski; great grandchildren, Isabella, Sophia, and Grayson; a niece, Michelle Gelling, and a nephew, Mark McGay.

Visitation will be on Friday, July 11th from 10 to 11 am at Fergerson Funeral Home, 215 South Main Street, North Syracuse. Funeral services will be at 12 Noon on Friday, July 11th at Faith Journey United Methodist Church, 8396 Morgan Road, Clay, followed by burial in Pine Plains Cemetery, Clay, with a bag piper and military honors.

Donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, CNY Chapter, 5015 Campuswood Drive, Suite 102, East Syracuse, NY 13057 or to Hospice of CNY, 990 Seventh North Street, Liverpool, 13088

Cemetery Details

Pine Plains Clay

8686 Henry Clay Blvd.
Clay, NY 13041

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 11. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Ferguson Funeral Home, Inc.
215 South Main Street
North Syracuse, NY 13212
(315) 458-1970
<http://fergersonfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

JUL 11. 12:00 PM (ET)

Faith Journey United Methodist Church
8396 Morgan Road
Clay, NY 13041

Tribute Wall

RV

“ Ron and Al were lovely next door neighbors these past 14 years. Ron even taught me how to start my very first lawn mower! I hope fond memories will help your family through the hard days.

Rachel Vryhof - July 24, 2025 at 06:17 PM

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“ We cherished your presence in our lives, dear friend - I know you and All are joyously reunited, but oh how much we will miss you.
Suzi & Jim

Suzi Harriff - July 16, 2025 at 04:54 PM

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“ Cindy and George I am very sorry for your loss. Your Mom and Dad were costumer of mine at LensCrafters. I always enjoyed seeing them and talking to them. They will be missed greatly.
David Pachoud

David Pachoud - July 07, 2025 at 07:38 PM