



## Ruth S. Hayes

October 30, 1932 - December 6, 2023

Ruth Regina, "Ruthie", "Grandma Honey" Hayes (Schlachter), 91, of Seabrook Village, Tinton Falls, formerly of Edison NJ, entered eternal rest at her home on Wednesday, December 6, 2023. Ruthie was born in East Orange, NJ to Edward and Ruth Schlachter. She was a graduate of Orange High School where her love of dancing began. She began her working career at Westinghouse before she became a beloved and devoted wife and mother. Ruthie married Joseph "Joe", "Mr. Peabody" Hayes, her forever dancing partner in 1955. Joe worked for AT&T for an amazing 45 years. They began their married life together in Menlo Park, NJ to then settle in Edison, NJ, where they raised their children and lived for the next 41 years. After many wonderful loving years, Ruthie and Joe moved to their final home together, at Seabrook Village, Tinton Falls.

Ruthie was predeceased by her beloved dancing partner, Joe, in 2009, and by her only sibling, Edward "Eddie" Schlachter and his spouse Mary Lou. She is survived by her loving and devoted children, Ruth Ellen Dalina and husband John, Joseph Hayes and wife Camille, Edward Hayes and wife Linda and Thomas Hayes and wife Regina; her cherished grandchildren, Sean, Katelyn (Jon), Joseph, Devin (Tamera), Matthew, Colleen, Ryan, Eddie, Thomas, Christopher (Gabriella) and Olivia.

Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend the visitation from 4pm to 8pm on Monday December 11, 2023, at the Bongarzone Funeral Home, 2400 Shafto Road, Tinton Falls. A funeral mass will be offered at 10am on Tuesday

December 12, 2023, at Holy Innocents Church, Neptune. Interment to follow at Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Wrightstown, NJ. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the National Federation of the Blind ([nfb.org](http://nfb.org)) or the Dementia Society of America ([www.dementiasociety.org](http://www.dementiasociety.org)). For online condolences, directions and to view full obituary please visit [www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com](http://www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## BG William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery

350 Provinceline Road  
Wrightstown, NJ

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 11. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home  
2400 Shafto Road  
Tinton Falls, NJ

## Funeral Mass

DEC 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

Holy Innocent's Church  
3455 West Bangs Avenue  
Neptune, NJ

# Tribute Wall



“ *Msgr Tom McDade*  
*I have such fun memories of your mother and father. Please be assured I will celebrate mass for your mom and remember all of you especially at this time of the year. Blessings to you all. Tom McDade*

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**Tom McDade**, - December 13, 2023 at 08:07 AM



*Thank you so much for your kind words and prayers Msgr McDade from her daughter Ruth Dalina and for your prayers. My mom always spoke so highly of you.*

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**Ruth Dalina** - December 14, 2023 at 11:24 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ruth S. Hayes.*



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December 11, 2023 at 12:07 PM



“ *Gladys and Hiram Galloza purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Ruth S. Hayes.*



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**Gladys and Hiram Galloza** - December 11, 2023 at 09:42 AM

GG

“ Gladys and Hiram Galloza planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth S. Hayes.

Gladys and Hiram Galloza - December 11, 2023 at 09:42 AM

LM

“ Dear Tom & Family,  
Prayers for all of you during this difficult time. Cherish the memories and share the stories that continue to bring smiles and feel her love.  
Lisa & Erin Maglione  
David Paulus

Lisa Maglione - December 10, 2023 at 02:12 PM

DA

“ Tom and Family, my sincerest sympathy on the loss of your mom. May your memories of her bring a smile to your faces and in your hearts. God Bless. 🙏. Donna Applegate

Donna Applegate - December 09, 2023 at 09:21 PM

DD

“ Derrick & Lana Dean purchased the Majestic Heart for the family of Ruth S. Hayes.



Derrick & Lana Dean - December 09, 2023 at 01:41 PM

ML

“ Maureen and John Lloyd planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth S. Hayes.

Maureen and John Lloyd - December 09, 2023 at 12:13 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ruth S. Hayes.*



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December 09, 2023 at 12:13 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ruth S. Hayes.*



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December 09, 2023 at 10:03 AM



“ *Jane& John Carey and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth S. Hayes.*

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**Jane& John Carey and family** - December 09, 2023 at 10:03 AM



“ *Tom and family,  
So very sorry for your loss. Sending condolences to all of you.  
Rick & Mandy Trail, NJNG*

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**Rick Trail** - December 08, 2023 at 09:16 PM

SG

“ To Tom and the Hayes Families: Please accept our sincere condolences. May your memories of your Mom bring you comfort at this difficult time. I pray for her peace in God’s care.

Susie and Roger Gray (NJNG)

Susie Gray - December 08, 2023 at 08:33 PM

LV

“ To Tom & the Hayes Families,  
Our condolences on your great loss.  
Sincerely, Harry & Loretta Voorhees

Loretta Voorhees - December 08, 2023 at 06:03 PM

SM

“ Shannon McNamara and Jamie McNamara planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth S. Hayes.

Shannon McNamara and Jamie McNamara - December 08, 2023 at 04:00 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ruth S. Hayes.



December 08, 2023 at 04:00 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth S. Hayes.*



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December 08, 2023 at 03:51 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ruth S. Hayes.*



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December 07, 2023 at 03:53 PM



“ *Grandma Honey will be dearly missed. Without her, I wouldn't have the best Uncle Tom and cousins (Tommy, Chris, and Olivia). Thinking of her and the family.*

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**Nicole Trifari** - December 07, 2023 at 01:02 PM



“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Ruth S. Hayes*



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**Bongarzone Funeral Home** - December 07, 2023 at 12:37 PM