



## Gretta M. Cleary

April 2, 1922 - May 18, 2018

Rye – Gretta Mary Cleary, 96, died May 18, 2018, in Rye.

She was born in Somerville, MA, April 2, 1922, and was the daughter of the late Joseph and Gretta (Madore) Leighton. She had a beloved sister, Geraldine, who died in 1992.

Mrs. Cleary was accepted at the Vesper School of Art in Boston and proceeded to work as a colorist in a Boston photography studio. Her main hobbies were painting, writing poetry, and playing cards with family and friends.

Gretta was the wife of the late Hugh J. Cleary who died in 1991. While originally residing in MA, they made Hampton, their home in 1959, where Gretta lived until moving to Webster at Rye in 2015.

Raising a family was most important to Gretta and she loved spending time with her loved ones, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Exeter.

Family members include her daughter, Kathleen Hoesly and her husband, Rick of Portsmouth, grandson Eric Harlow, his wife Mnisa and their children

Connor, Tehya, Aspen, and Eric Chase of Austin, TX, grandson Ben Harlow, his wife Jayme and their children Joselyn Gretta, Hyrum Hugh, and Sarah of Phoenix, AZ, and Rebecca (Harlow) Costello, her husband Jeffrey and their children Roanan, Fiona, Bearic and Kayleigh of Memphis, TN.

Visiting hours will be from 4 – 6 P.M. Friday, May 25, 2018, in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton. Services will be held at 11 A.M. on Saturday, May 26, 2018, at the funeral home. Burial will follow in the High Street Cemetery, Hampton.

# Cemetery Details

## High Street Cemetery

150 High Street  
Hampton, NH

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 25.** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory  
811 Lafayette Road ·  
Hampton, NH 03842  
(603) 926-6500  
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## Service

**MAY 26.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Gretta M. Cleary*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *My fondest memories of my adopted Gram is eating Chocolate Eclairs with her., Gram loved Chocolate Eclairs a lot. She always loved to laugh with me when we played games and she would give handfuls of goodies even when my Mom said it wasn't necessary. We Loved her heart and soul. Javin & his Mom Judi*



**Judith Ford** - May 26, 2018 at 10:32 AM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gretta M. Cleary.*



May 25, 2018 at 07:18 PM



“ *Ninety six is a long life but we would still like more.. I am sorry for your loss Kathy and Becca. Many memories of younger days and lunches at Friendlies. She was a very kind person, who loved her family.*

**Ginny Bridle** - May 24, 2018 at 08:47 AM

RF

“ Robert's kids--Kim, Karen, Bob, Lisa and families purchased the Dawn of Remembrance Basket for the family of Gretta M. Cleary.



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**Robert's kids--Kim, Karen, Bob, Lisa and families** - May 23, 2018 at 05:45 PM

KH

“ Kathleen H. purchased the Bountiful Memories Casket Spray for the family of Gretta M. Cleary.



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**Kathleen H.** - May 22, 2018 at 12:26 PM

YG

“ Your great grandchildren purchased the Heavenly Heights Bouquet for the family of Gretta M. Cleary.



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**Your great grandchildren** - May 22, 2018 at 12:26 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Gretta M. Cleary.



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May 22, 2018 at 12:16 PM

MB

“ Dear Kathleen and family,

*Thank you for sharing Gretta with us. We enjoyed knowing her and having her be part of the Webster family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

*Melissa Bird  
Webster at Rye*

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**melissa Bird** - May 21, 2018 at 11:06 AM

JB

“ Sorry for your loss. She was an incredibly kind lady. May the warmth of her spirit and many great memories surround you at this time.

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**J.R. Bridle** - May 21, 2018 at 09:52 AM

BR

“ My dearest Godmother,,,, Your gentle spirit will forever be part of my life and held deep within my heart. God rest your sweet soul ❤️

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**Barb Ryan** - May 21, 2018 at 08:35 AM