



# Sally McGauvran

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**S**ally Ann McGauvran, 72, died early Tuesday morning, surrounded by family, at Mercy Medical Center-North in Clinton, Iowa, after a four-year battle with congestive heart failure and other conditions.

Sally was born October 3, 1935, in Sioux City, Iowa, to Charlotte (Moss) and Spencer Green. She was valedictorian of her class upon graduation from Pickstown High School in Pickstown, South Dakota. Sally was a cousin of Dick Green of Oakland Athletics and World Series fame. She attended Bradley University in Peoria, IL, where she met Ronald James McGauvran. They were married at St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church in Clinton, Iowa, on June 11, 1955. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a voyage on the Queen Mary II to London.

She and Ron lived in Des Moines, Iowa, before moving to Clinton in 1958 to work for a business owned by Ron's mother and founded by Ron's father in 1944. Sally shared an active ownership of Dormac Oil Company (d/b/a Service Oil Company) with her husband and served the business as Secretary-Treasurer.

A forty-plus year member of the Clinton Country Club, Sally loved to play golf, achieving two "holes-in-one" in her illustrious "career." She was an avid reader, gourmet cook, a true Hawkeye fan, and keen follower of foreign affairs and politics. She was a previous board member of the Pearson Family Trust and enjoyed playing bridge with her Friday Bridge Club. She was a member of the HV chapter of PEO.

Most importantly, Sally was a beloved wife and mother who treasured her family. In addition to her husband, she leaves behind three daughters and one son: Stacy McGauvran-Hruby (Bruce), Coralville, Iowa; Elizabeth (Liz) McGauvran, Clinton, Iowa; Johnna (Don) Forbes, Lone Tree, Iowa; and John (Kathy) McGauvran, Omaha, Neb.; six grandsons-Dustin, Alex and Peter Hruby, and William, Adam and Ryan McGauvran; and one granddaughter, Hailey Forbes. She was preceded in death by her mother, father and sister, Barbara.



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Respecting Sally's wishes, a private burial service is planned at Fulton Township Cemetery. The Clinton Chapel Snell-Zornig Funeral Homes and Crematory is in charge of the arrangements. The family requests that in lieu of flowers memorials be directed to Camp Courageous of Iowa, Monticello, Iowa.



## Tribute Wall

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LE

**Leeann Eddins** posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time. May good memories of happier times bring you comfort.

April 14 at 7:00 PM

EP

**Erin Pridemore** posted:

I did not know Sally, however I do know her daughter, and with how wonderful and intelligent Johnna is I am sure Sally was just the same. My thoughts and prays are with the family.

April 14 at 7:00 PM

KT

**Karin Till** posted:

Please accept my sincere condolences on the loss of your wife, mother, and grandmother. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.

April 14 at 7:00 PM

KW

**Karen L. Wendel** posted:

Dear Ron, Please accept my condolences on the passing of your very best friend and life time partner. She was a great lady and it is a very sad time for all of you. Give my regards to your children and their families. Karen

April 14 at 7:00 PM

WH

**Wanda Wyatt-Hardwick** posted:

Johnna, my sincere sympathy to you and your family. Through you, I heard many warm and wonderful stories of your Mother. I hope that these memories will sustain you, through this most difficult time. I pray that you and your family will be comforted by those who surround you with love and caring.

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DH

**Dana And Cheryl Henricksen** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. There are no words that can ease the loss only the passage of time and you will always remember in a fond, loving way the years you and your Mother had together until you meet again.

April 14 at 7:00 PM

MK

**Mike Kearney** posted:

Ron I am very sorry to learn of the death of Sally. My condolences to you and your family.Mike

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JN

**Julie Luchtefeld (Naftzger)** posted:

Dear McGauvran Family,I was very sorry to hear of your mother's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.Julie

April 14 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

To Ron and children:We send our heartfelt love and condolences at this emotional time. We know how you are all feeling her loss and wish you strength in the coming days. We will all miss Sally and want you to know that you are in all of our thoughts and prayers.Lovingly, Bob and Jackie Phinney

April 14 at 7:00 PM

LM

**Larry & Becky Musel** posted:

Our sincere condelonces to Ron and the family. By reading about her live I failed to recognize what a great golfer Sally was with TWO HOLES in One. Our prayers are with you all.

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**The Housenga's** posted:

Sally(Mrs. McGauvran to me) was a sophisticated, eloquent, wonderful, devoted wife, mom and grandma. She was so courageous these last few years. It is so appropriate to have donations go to Camp Courageous of Iowa, in memory of her. I feel so privileged to have known her. She treated me like a daughter and always had wonderful advice! (Some we took and some we didn't-right Johnna!HA!)I would love to know how many softball and misc. games she sat through and cheered for.I am thankful she no longer has to suffer and find comfort in knowing she is in a better place. She will be sadly missed. Mr. McGauvran(Ron), Stacy, Liz, Johnna & Jack (and all your families), our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love you all!

April 14 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

I'm so sorry for your loss.

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**Bob And Skip Andersen** posted:

Ron,We are sorry for your loss.

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**Laura Stamp** posted:

Dear Mr. McGauvran and family,I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Mrs. McGauvran was always such a gracious and elegant woman was always so nice to me when we were growing up in Clinton. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this very sad time.

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**Carolyn Stuckel** posted:

My deepest sympathy to the family.She will be missed by so many. I enjoyed our brief chats every so often about the grandkids. Family was a major part of her life. Such wonderful mamories all of you will have.

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DH

**Delores (Dickman) Hubb** posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of loss. I did not know Sally well, but after all the wonderful years that I have known Johnna and shared her life experiences, I know Sally was a caring and loving wife, mother and grandmother and will be missed.

April 14 at 7:00 PM

DM

**Donnette Manak** posted:

I want you all to know you are in my thoughts and prayers and I send my love to each of you. I hope you find comfort and strength in each other, in your memories of Sally and in knowing that so many people care about you.

April 14 at 7:00 PM

JL

**Jean Lehmkuhl** posted:

To the McGauvran family, I just want you to know that I am thinking about you, Liz, and praying for you and your entire family during this difficult time. Your mother is at peace now and with the Lord. I didn't know your mother personally but I do know she was well-respected in our community and that will be sadly missed by all that knew her. Jean Lehmkuhl

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JM

**Jana Michael** posted:

Ron, John, Johnna, Stacy & Liz: I was so sorry to hear of Sally's passing. She was such a classy lady that had that nurturing thing down to a science. Although I didn't know Sally all that long I imagine she was always your biggest fan if you were someone she cared about. Sally was graceful and beautiful, inside and out. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I know you have many moments locked away in your minds and hearts that will comfort your loss. She was so proud of her family and her love for each of you showed when she'd talk about you. Jana Michael

April 14 at 7:00 PM

MV

**Mike Vogel** posted:

I am very sorry to hear about your loss. I had the honor of working for Mr and Mrs McGauvran at Service Oil Company and developing a friendship with Johnna. My families thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

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MR

**Mary Reed Bro** posted:

Ron, Please accept my deepest sympathy on the death of your wife, Sally. You and your family are in our prayers at this special time. Sincerely, Mary Reed Bro

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RC

**Rich Cannon** posted:

Ron and family â?? Deepest sympathies. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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PM

**Pat Mcmanus** posted:

Ron, Please know that you and your family are in my prayers. It is very difficult to say good-bye to those we love. Perhaps you can find comfort in knowing that Sally is now in God's care and peace. With sympathy, Pat McManus

April 14 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

To the McGauvren family: My deepest sympathy in everyone. I did not know Sally but my brother, Don, knew Ron in the business. I have had the pleasure of visiting with Ron at meetings and conventions. God Bless. Larry Blaesi

April 14 at 7:00 PM

SH

**Steve & Kati Heysinger** posted:

Ron & Family, We are so sorry to hear of Sally's passing. We were glad we could speak with her at the 29 Christmas party. Please accept our condolences.

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OG

**Oncology Girls** posted:

Sally was a FIGHTER, who lived everyday to its fullest. She will be truly missed. Sorry for your loss. Please let us know if we can do anything for your family. Love, Corinna, Jamie, and Cheryl

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**Michael Workman** posted:

My condolences go out to Ron and the entire family. As an assistant at Clinton Country Club for a few years, it was always nice to see the McGauvrans out playing golf.

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## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Sally by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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