



Rita Marie Hoefler

March 19, 1961 - January 15, 2026

Rita Marie Hoefler, 64, of Flovilla, GA, wife of Robert A. Martinez, Jr., died Thursday, January 15, 2026, at Wellstar Spalding Regional Hospital. Born in Altoona, PA, March 19, 1961, she was a daughter of the late Gerald Joseph Hoefler and Margaret Marie Piper Hoefler. Rita earned an associate's degree in accounting from South Hills Business School in State College, PA. She worked for many years as a merchandizer until her health declined. She enjoyed the goat farm that she and her husband built and have tended for over twenty years and loved all animals, especially her donkey, Jill. She loved to make jewelry, shop at the thrift store and go out to eat. In addition to her parents, Rita was preceded in death by a sister, Cecelia LaHive. Surviving in addition to her husband of thirty-four years are her child, Krista Nicole Martinez of Jackson; sister, Stephanie Scheeler and husband Max; brothers, Jeffrey Hoefler and wife Sandy and William Hoefler, all of Altoona, PA. Several nieces and nephews also survive. A memorial service for Rita Marie Hoefler will be conducted Saturday, January 24, 2026, at 11:00 AM from the Chapel of Haisten McCullough Funeral Home. For online condolences please visit www.haistenmcculloughfuneralhome.com. Haisten McCullough Funeral Home, 1155 Everee Inn Road, Griffin is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 24. 11:00 AM (ET)

Haisten McCullough Funeral Home
1155 Everee Inn Road
Griffin, GA 30224
(770) 229-4994
<https://www.haistenmcculloughfunerals.com>

Tribute Wall



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Rita Marie Hoefler.



January 22 at 04:33 PM



“ Hoeflers, Janie, Sharon and Chuck planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rita Marie Hoefler.

Hoeflers, Janie, Sharon and Chuck - January 22 at 04:33 PM



“ I'm so heartbroken to hear of Rita's passing. We had shared so many memories of our youth together as we lost touch after graduating but reconnected a few years ago and would chat for hours. She was a truly beautiful person and the shared stories I could tell... but won't ! I'm so glad we had the opportunity to share our older lives with each other, I'm sorry for her family's loss yet she's at peace and finally out of pain. RIP my friend ❤️

Celeste conrad - January 20 at 08:40 PM



“ One of the sweetest ladies I've ever met. We were so lucky to have her in our family. She will be missed. ❤️

Doreen Owens - January 18 at 12:24 PM

DO

“ *These pictures are from the last time we all got together. Such great memories. We all planned on many more. Gone too soon our beautiful Rita. We will miss your awesome laugh, your beautiful heart and soul. The way you always were so proud of your husband and daughter and your cool donkey and litters of goats. You had such a big heart with room in it for everyone, and always a kind words. You will be missed so much! Love from Dave and Dee Owens*



Dion Owens - January 16 at 08:32 PM

Jl

“ *Rita was one of the most genuinely sweet women I have had the pleasure to know. She's been a dear family friend for over 30 years. I hold nothing but fond memories of her. She showed our family constant love and friendship, and she will always hold a very special place in our hearts. Sending love and prayers to her family. She will be missed.*

Jeni Ingram - January 16 at 08:14 PM

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“ *Rob I am so very sorry for you and your daughters' loss. Rita was a wonderful lady, hard working , fun loving, and loved animals . I pray for peace and comfort for you and your family. Love and Prayers Elayne Anderson*

Elayne Anderson - January 16 at 01:51 PM

JA

“ I'm heart broken about my dear friend Rita! Please know that you and Indy are in my thoughts and prayers. May the love of family and friends bring you peace and comfort. Sending love and prayers!!

JoAnn Anderon - January 16 at 01:16 PM

LJ

“ Too soon. Rita had so many memories to live still. I'm glad she at least was on the boat once. She will be dearly missed. Sending love & prayers to the Rob & Indy.

linda jenkins - January 16 at 09:52 AM

LJ

“ 3 files added to the album *Sailing Adventure Florida*



linda jenkins - January 16 at 09:47 AM