



## Robert Hoeffner

March 31, 1929 - January 9, 2019

Albany-Robert Hoeffner passed away on January 9, 2019 at the age of 89.

Robert was born in Bellrose Queens on March 31, 1929. He went Bishop Mc Laughlin High school in Brooklyn N Y. After high school Robert served 2 years In the Korean War. He then went on to attend Manhattan College where he earned the honor of being Manhattan's first Fulbright scholar. He received his masters degree at Columbia University in NYC.

Robert resided in Albany as a history professor at Siena College for many years. Being a huge history buff he traveled & cruised the world exploring the cultures of many cities.

He leaves behind his sister in law Virginia Hoeffner, his niece Christine nephews, Robert and Donald Hoeffner & his grand nieces & nephews.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Robert's family Saturday, January 19, 2019 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm at McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany, NY 12206 followed by his Funeral Service at 5:00 pm.

Interment will be held privately at the Gerald BH Saratoga National Cemetery.

To leave a message for the family, please visit [www.McveighFuneralHome.com](http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com)

# Cemetery

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## Gerald BH Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery

200 Duell Road  
Schuylerville, NY,

# Events

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**JAN 19** **Visitation** 03:00PM - 05:00PM

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McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.  
208 N Allen St, Albany, NY, US,  
12206

**JAN 19** **Service** 05:00PM

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# Comments

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“ I'm sadden to learn of Mr. Hoeffner's passing. His gift to us all was the legacy he left with every student he touched. I was one of them and truly enjoyed his classes. My love for history was only enhanced by his teaching. may it help in some small way that a former student thought very fondly of him. He has now joined the ages where all our history questions are answered.

Don Carola  
Siena Class of 86

don carola - January 20, 2019 at 11:54 AM

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“ Bob and I were close friends for more than 60 years. His obituary mentions his great knowledge of history and I can testify to his amazing memory for historical facts, not only from his own specialty areas but also from many obscure areas. The obituary does not mention that he also had a great love of music: he and I attended many concerts of the Albany Symphony Orchestra. I remember several years ago when he told me he had never heard any of the works of the Danish composer, Carl Nielsen. I bought him the cds of the Nielsen symphonies and he enjoyed them. For many years Bob and I had lunch once a month at Provence Restaurant until he could no longer handle the walk from the parking lot. Overall, he was one of the smartest, kindest and most thoughtful people I have ever known. He told me several weeks ago that he instructed (but he didn't say to whom) that I was to be among the first to be notified in the case of his passing.because he didn't want me to read of his death in the newspaper. Unfortunately I was not notified and had to find out about it yesterday in the paper more than a week later. I last saw Bob at the Evergreen facility and he asked me to bring him a jelly donut from a favorite bakery. I did get the donut, but when I got back to Evergreen I was told he had fallen, broken his arm and was in the hospital. I called him several times after that but got no answer. My sadness is doubled because I could not be there at the end. I will try to get to the funeral, but my legs are not in good condition and the weather conditions may make traveling impossible. I do send my deepest condolences. Bob was the best! Frank Madigan

Frank Madigan - January 18, 2019 at 02:19 PM

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“ Bob will always be remembered for his gentle and thoughtful personality. Our conversations over the years were informative and always very interesting. He was a wonderful asset to all who knew him.  
Sympathies to the entire Hoeffner family. May his name be for a blessing.  
Bob Woll

**Bob Woll** - January 17, 2019 at 06:52 PM

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“ Among the great joys in my life was writing my papers for the Modern European History classes I took from Professor Hoeffner at Siena College in the mid 1970's. I learned so much about how the modern world came to be from his classes and this served me so well in the global career I had after graduating from Siena.

**William Cooney** - January 17, 2019 at 08:52 AM