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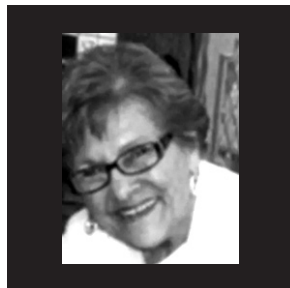


**Maria Dolores (Fusco) Moniello**, 78 of Hamden, Connecticut died peacefully on Thursday, April 9, 2026 at Yale-New Haven Hospital, St. Raphael Campus with her loving family by her side. She was the beloved wife of fifty-four years to Raffaele M. Moniello. Maria was born in Formicola, Province of Caserta, Italy on July 22, 1947, a daughter of the late Gabriele and Carmela (Stanga) Fusco. She moved to New Haven in 1959 as a child and later attended Sacred Heart Academy, Hamden. In 1972, she married the love of her life, Raffaele, and together they raised their family in Hamden.

In addition to her husband Raffaele, Maria is survived by her daughter Nuncia Moniello, two sons, Cescio "Syd" (Jennifer) Moniello and Gabriele Moniello, three grandchildren, Marco, Mikaela, and Aeryn, all of Hamden, her sister Giovanna (Dr. Paul) Acampora of Middletown, and sisters-in-law Giacomina Moniello of Hamden, Amalia (Pasquale) Venditti of Milford, and Antonia Moniello (Cosimo Summa) of Italy, as well as an aunt, uncle, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins of Connecticut, New York, California and Italy. She is predeceased by her sister Isabella (Fusco) DeStefanis.

Should friends desire, memorial contribution in Maria's name can be made to the National Kidney Foundation or the American Heart Association.

Services were held at the  
**WASHINGTON MEMORIAL Funeral Home**  
North Haven.




**Catherine "Kitty" Vorio**, 98, of North Haven passed away peacefully under Hospice care at Masonic Health Center, Wallingford on April 10th, 2026 with her caregivers Peter and SallyAnn by her side. Born in New Haven on July 17, 1927, she was the daughter of the late Pellegrino and Elvira Vellaccio Vorio. Sister of the late Peter, Dominic, Frank and Michael Vorio and the late Rose Kozolis. Sister-in-law of Helen Vorio. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews who she loved dearly as her own children.

The family wishes to thank the Masonic Nurses and Staff, especially Gina who took excellent care of Kitty during her final hours.

Should friends desire, donations may be made to The Masonicare Home Health and Hospice, P.O. Box 70, Wallingford, CT 06492 In memory of Catherine Vorio.

Services were held at the  
**NORTH HAVEN FUNERAL HOME**  
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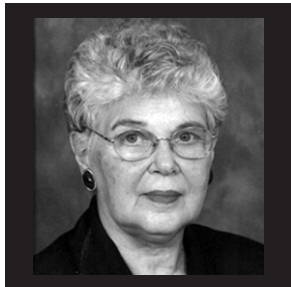
**INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE**  
The More You Honor Me...  
The More I Will Bless You.  
H.S.



**Claire T. (LeGendre) St.Pierre Mills**, 95, of Wallingford, formerly of Cheshire, died on Saturday, April 11, 2026, at Ashlar Village in Wallingford. She was the loving wife of the late Roland J. St.Pierre of 51 years. Claire was born in Methuen, MA, September 19, 1930, a daughter of the late Alphonse and Marie (Deslets) LeGendre.

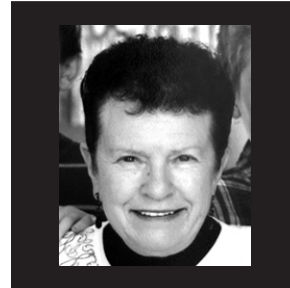
Claire is survived by her daughter, Cheryl Fox and her husband Michael of Pembroke, NH; her sons, Gary St.Pierre and his wife Nancy of Bristol, Mark St.Pierre and his wife Debbie of Warwick, RI, and Michael St.Pierre and his wife Susan of Aurora, NC; her grandchildren, Joe Fox, Christine Brown, Erik St.Pierre, Erica St.Pierre, Michele St.Pierre, Jennifer Cupp, Scott Kennedy, and Erin Kennedy; her great grandchildren, Cameron, Braeden, Avery, Antonia, Mia, Grace, Revel, Roland, Johnny, Danny, Ashley, Patrick, and Anaiya; her sister, Anne Marie Gillespie; her niece and nephews, Leigh, Tripp, David, and Darren; and several great nieces and great nephews. She was predeceased by her sons, Christopher V. St. Pierre and Bruce R. St.Pierre; and her brothers, Robert and Vincent LeGendre.

Services were held at the  
**Wallingford-Yalesville Funeral Homes**



**Barbara M. Reiber** 91, a long-time Hamden resident passed peacefully April 14th at Yale's St. Raphael campus with her family by her side. Born in New Haven, she was the daughter of the late Carl Sr. & Mamie Stander Reiber. Barbara was a teacher for 40 years she loved teaching. She is survived by her beloved daughter Carolyn Tiroletto, who she adopted in 1973 and her son in law Rafael Ortiz of Branford CT, a grandson Peter Tiroletto of East Haven CT, and her two great grandsons AJ and Giovanni Tiroletto of East Haven CT. She was predeceased by a brother Col. Carl F Reiber.

Services were held at the  
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**Ruth A. Petrone**, 84, of Hamden, died after a brief illness at Benchmark Senior Living in Nashua, NH, on April 10, 2026. Ruth was born in Wendell, Idaho, daughter of the late Neil & Esther Wing Sweeney and had resided in Hamden most of her life. She is survived by her beloved daughter, Linda Peters (Rob) of Hudson, NH and son, Guy Petrone (Amy) of Rochester, NY, and grandchildren Zachary and Brianna Peters & Jake, Ryan and Nolan Petrone, nieces, Joanne Borsani (Ralph), Marilyn Walters and Marguerite Abate, and several great and great-great grand nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Salvatore Petrone, sister, Ann Woods (Richard), sisters-in-law, Amelia, Matilda, Adeline, Angela, Marguerite Abate (Michael) and Ersilia.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to National Kidney Foundation, 3000 Whitney Ave #121, Hamden, CT 06518 ([www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org))

Services were held at the  
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**Frank Pinto**, passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on Tuesday April 14, after a brief but sudden illness. Born September 27, 1939, in New Haven, he was the son of the late Frank and Adeline Esposito Pinto and was predeceased by his brothers Nicholas and John and his sister Rachel.

He taught school, in North Haven for ten years before becoming an elementary school principal in Hamden for 27 years.

Frank is survived by the love of his life, his wife of fifty-seven years, Joanne and his children Jennifer (Mark) Irwin and Jonathan (Lauren) Pinto, along with grandchildren Kathryn Irwin and Christopher and Jake Pinto. Also surviving him are his beloved sister-in-law and brother-in-law Geri and James Morganelli as well as nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Should friends desire, the family requests donations in his memory to St. Jude's Children's Hospital by visiting [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org) or Shriners Children's Hospital by visiting [www.shrinerschildrens.org](http://www.shrinerschildrens.org)

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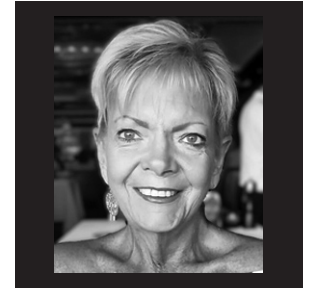
**Michael DeLucia, Sr.**, 89, of Hamden, passed away peacefully on Monday, April 13th, 2026, at the Yale New Haven Hospital/St. Raphael Campus. He was the beloved husband of 64 years to Judith Andrew DeLucia. Michael was born in New Haven on June 30th, 1936, and was the son of the late John and Margaret DeLucia. Michael graduated from Hamden High School in 1954. In addition to his wife, Michael is survived by his children, Michael (Sue) DeLucia, Jr. and Cherie (Michael) Finoia, his grandchildren, Michael, Matthew, and Elizabeth DeLucia, Brittney Finoia (Andrew Pajak), and Christina (Luke) Curadi, and great-grandchildren, Nathan and Hallie DeLucia, Lucy Curadi, Ozzy Pajak, and "Baby P", expected to make his arrival in the coming weeks. Michael was predeceased by his siblings, Andrew DeLucia, Minnie Hurley, Rose Ressa, and Mary Salvietti.

Services were held at the  
**NORTH HAVEN FUNERAL HOME**  
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**Rudolph A. Brandi**, 89, of Hamden, loving husband of Patricia (Pat) Deotosis Brandi, passed away on April 11, 2026, at home surrounded by his family. He was born on May 6, 1936, the son of the late Albert and Beatrice Guglielmo Brandi. In addition to his wife Patricia, Rudolph (Rudy) is survived by his daughters, Gina Palm and her husband John, and Marna Gallicchio and her husband Eric. He also leaves his grandchildren, Anthony Palm and his wife Taylor, Brandon Palm, and Alexa Gallicchio, his nephews, Robert Fitzgerald and his wife Joy, and Albert Fitzgerald and his wife Cathy. He was predeceased by his sister and brother-in-law, Ann and Raymond Fitzgerald.

Services were held at the  
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**Claire Elizabeth Jackson**, of Hamden, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and friend, died March 30, 2026 at Yale-New Haven Hospital after a brief illness. Born in Dorchester, MA on May 8, 1954 to the late Theodore and Rita McGaffigan West.

Claire will be lovingly remembered by her husband, Paul; daughter, Courtney; new grandson, Koda; and sister, Patricia West. Besides her parents, she was predeceased by a daughter, Amanda, and a sister, Carol.

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Death is inevitable, and the more we can have prepared for it, the easier it is for those we leave behind. Pre-need funeral plans can be made at any time and offer many advantages. Funeral homes can help you preplan a funeral for yourself, your spouse, or a parent. For more information, please call 203-239-1179. We are located at 36 Washington Avenue.

Quote: "There are no good-byes for us. Wherever you are, you will always be in my heart."  
--Gandhi

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**PRAYER INFORMATION**

All prayers cost \$12 per prayer, per week. The deadline is Wednesday for the following Tuesday's Issue. Please mail to The Advisor, P.O. Box 460, North Haven, CT 06473-0460 or bring in to our office, 87 State Street (Kings Acres), North Haven, with payment, correct initials and code number found in lower left corner of prayer.