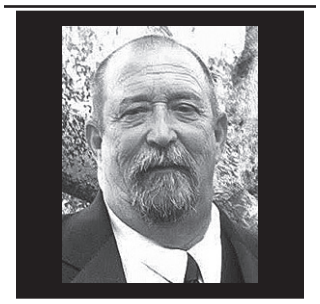


Elizabeth M. Mikolike, 84, of Hamden, wife of the late Frank Mikolike, passed away November 9, 2026 after a long illness. She was born in New Haven on February 15, 1942, a daughter of the late Dominic and Frances DeMatteo Mattei.

She is survived by stepsons, Frank (Maru) Mikolike and Stephen (Denise) Mikolike, Sr.; a stepdaughter, Cynthia Calello; grandchildren, Niko (Christen) Mikolike, Gia Mikolike, Stephen Mikolike, Jr., and Dominique Calello; and a sister, Marietta Mattei. Predeceased by her brother, Joseph Mattei. The family would like to extend special thanks to the staff at Meadow Mills Assisted Living and Memory Care for the exceptional care they provided.

Should friends desire, donations in memory of Elizabeth may be made to the Alzheimer's Association at www.alz.org.

Services were held at the BEECHER BENNETT www.beecherandbennett.com.



Edward Charles Hackley, Sr., 69, of Wallingford, Connecticut died peacefully at his home on Tuesday, November 10, 2026, after battling serious illness, enduring countless medical challenges, and being unable to work for the past four years. He was the beloved husband of Betty (Barthel) Weinberg. Ed was born in New Haven, CT on February 13, 1957, a son of the late Robert Louis and Gloria (Leonardo) Hackley and had resided in Wallingford for the past nine years. He had previously resided in North Haven for much of his life and also lived in Port St. Lucie, Florida for eighteen years.

In addition to his wife Betty, Ed is survived by two step-daughters, Shondra Leigh Weinberg of Wallingford and Justine Daniell (John) Biondi of West Haven, two sisters, Lois (John) Maselli of Woodbridge and Ellen (Roger) Misbach of Meriden, two step-grandchildren, Aria and Livia Biondi, his former wife Lisa Fusco Hackley of Hamden, nine loving nieces and nephews, one great niece and one great nephew. He was predeceased by his son Edward Charles Hackley, Jr. and his sister, Robin Rubino.

Should friends desire, please send contributions to Ed's Go Fund Me Page at Gofundme/a7fe89553.

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

Sunday Service

Please join us at Northford Congregational Church, 4 Old Post Road for Sunday Service at 10am.

Visit our Website: northford congregational.church

Follow us on YouTube, Tik Tok, Instagram, and Twitter: NCCHSMove

Find us on Facebook: Northford Community Church or Northford Congregational Church.



James Lorusso Sr., 91, of North Haven, beloved husband of 69 years to Josephine (Mangino) Lorusso, passed away peacefully with his family by his side on November 2, 2026. James was born in New Haven on November 21, 1934 a son of the late Pietro and Eva (Cosenza) Lorusso. Jim proudly served his country in the United States Army.

In addition to his wife, Josephine, he is survived by his sons, James Lorusso Jr. and his wife, Susan (Brockett); and Joseph Lorusso and his wife, Colleen, all of North Haven. He was predeceased by his sister, Judy Colletti; and his brothers, John Lorusso, Peter Lorusso and Richard Lorusso.

Jim was a devoted and loving grandfather to his grandchildren, Peter, Jaime and her husband, Mike Cassidy, Christa, Casey, Abigail, Aiden, and great grandchildren, Porter, Thomas, Cameron, and Isabelle. He took immense pride in being their Poppy.

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Lois Jean Olesen, 83, of Wallingford, entered into eternal rest on November 7, 2026 in her home. She was the beloved wife of the late Robert Olesen. Lois was born on November 21, 1942, in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin to Ervin and Dorothy (Papke) Bergelin.

Lois is survived by her cherished children, Lisa Slain of Wallingford, Anna O'Malley of Wallingford, and Daniel Olesen of Marlborough, MA, her brother Robert Bergelin of Oshkosh WI, and sister Ruth Tienor of San Antonio, TX. She was predeceased by her sister Joyce Bergelin, son in law, Sean Slain, and brother in law, Robert Tienor.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made in memory of Lois Olesen for the Memorial Garden to: St. Paul's Episcopal Church , 65 N Main St, Wallingford, CT 06492.

B.C. Bailey FUNERAL AND CREMATION SERVICES



Robert K. Huelsman, 88, of Wallingford, passed away Tuesday, November 10, 2026. Bob was the loving husband of the late Virginia "Ginny" "Mutsie" (Dorsey) Huelsman of 65 years. Bob was born in Milford on January 26, 1938, a son of the late Frederick and Elsie S. (Hines) Huelsman. He grew up in North Haven, attended North Haven High School with the Class of 1955. Bob met the love of his life, Virginia Dorsey, and together they made their home in Wallingford. He honorably served in the U.S. Army.

He will be missed by his sons and daughters-in-law, Robert and Jane Huelsman, and Donald and Sharon Huelsman; his grandchildren, Nicole Huelsman, Brittany (Huelsman) Levenduski and her husband Scott, Derek Huelsman and his wife Aimie, and Stephanie (Huelsman) Picone and her husband Francesco; his great grandchildren, Rilynn Levenduski, Teagan Levenduski, Hadley Huelsman, Blakely Huelsman and Noah Picone; his sister-in-law, Carolyn "Sam" Vanacore; and many nieces, nephews and friends. He was predeceased by his daughter, Linda Huelsman; and his siblings, Carol and Dave.

Bob's family would like to extend thanks to Tasha Day his caregiver, Dr. Reen and the staff at Midstate Medical Center who provided him with excellent care, compassion while respecting his wishes.

Should friends desire, gifts in his memory may be sent to: The Sisters Project, P.O. Box 1643, CT 06492 (www.thesistersproject.org).

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Grief Counseling

Hamden: An 8-week program dealing with the stages of grief, will be held on Thursdays, 6:30pm at the Hamden Elks Lodge, 175 School Street.

Please call (203) 641-4278 or email: johnbobson@aol.com



Fostering Family Hope Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting Ceremony



Pictured (L-R): Vincent Cervoni, Mayor of Wallingford; Renee Miller, Executive Director, Quinnipiac Chamber of Commerce; Erin Johnston, Co-Executive Director; Meagan Pearson, Co-Executive Director; along with Board Members and friends and Matt Iovanne, Business Development Executive, Quinnipiac Chamber of Commerce.

Wallingford: The Quinnipiac Chamber of Commerce was delighted to join Fostering Family Hope in celebrating the Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting of their new location at 1207 South Broad Street, Wallingford, CT, on Friday, November 6, 2026.

Fostering Family Hope is a Connecticut-based nonprofit dedicated to supporting children and families impacted by foster care. Their mission is to provide essential resources, strengthen family connections, and offer support to foster, adoptive, kinship, and reunified families.

Through programs such as their Foster Closet, Care Bag Program, family support groups, and visitation room makeovers, they help ensure children and families have access to the essentials, encouragement, and support they need.

Their new, expanded location will allow them to grow their reach, serve more families, and continue making a meaningful difference throughout our communities.

Congratulations to the entire Fostering Family Hope team on this exciting milestone! We wish you continued success and thank you for the important work you do in our community.

To learn more about their mission, programs, volunteer opportunities, and ways to support their organization, visit www.fosteringfamilyhope.org.

WANTED: Buying older beer cans, flats, conetops, single cans or entire collections; (203) 915-7662 •

FOR SALE: Invicta watches $25 & up; Timex-Casio $30 & up; many others; (203) 645-8006 •

WANTED: Antique country store items, old tins, bins, signs, boxes or anything related; (203) 915-7662 •