OBITUARIES



Rosa Garcia 52, of Wallingford, loving wife of Braulio Garcia passed away peacefully March 25, 2026 at her home surrounded by her loving family. Rosa was born in Mexico on May 25, 1973, the daughter of Maria Luisa Aguirre Mondragon of Mexico and the late Gabriel Dominguez Morales.

In addition to her husband, Braulio, she is survived by her daughter, Nayeli Garcia of Wallingford; her sister, Belen Dominguez of Mexico; her brothers, Juan, Uvaldo and Luis Manuel Dominguez, all of Mexico; her grandchildren, Victoria and Sebastian Juarez; and several nieces and nephews.

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Richard Rogers, age 80, of Wallingford passed away suddenly on March 31, 2026. For 53 years, he was the loving husband of Frances Hough Rogers. Richard was born in New Haven, CT, the son of the late Joseph and Ruth Hasbrouck Rogers. Richard was a proud U.S. Navy Veteran.

In addition to his wife, Richard is survived by his son, Chris Rogers and his wife Jessica of Ansonia, and his grandchildren, Lilly and Landen Rogers of Ansonia. He was predeceased by his sister Betty Mosher.

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Food Pantry Dishes Out Groceries for Those in Need

North Haven: The Churches of North Haven Food Pantry is located at the North Haven Congregational Church. Those in need can call (203) 239-5691 to provide information to be registered for receiving non-perishable food once per month at pre-arranged scheduled pickup times.

Anyone wanting to make a monetary or non-perishable donation can also call the North Haven Congregational Church, (203) 239-5691. Neighbor helping neighbor. There is food need year-round. Volunteers staff the Food Pantry to make food available for pre-scheduled monthly pickups.

NORTH HAVEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH WORSHIP SERVICE

Worship Service at the North Haven Congregational Church is held on Sundays at 9:30am.

Come and visit - you are welcome



Walter George Bilyak, 88, of Meriden, passed away peacefully on Monday March 23, 2026 at Midstate Medical Center. He was born in Meriden, on March 20, 1938, a son of the late George and Jean (Perkowski) Bilyak. Walt was raised in Wallingford where he was an accomplished athlete. Walt attended Lyman Hall High School and H. C. Wilcox Technical. Being a proud American, Walt enlisted in the National Guard and served nine years during the Cold War.

Walt is survived by his two daughters; Linda (Bilyak) Manfreda of Wallingford and Katherine Bilyak of Plantsville; his granddaughter, Sarah; his great grandchildren Mark and Denver; two aunts; many cousins; a nephew and several nieces including Lisa Bozuchowski, who shared a special bond with him. Walter was predeceased by his wife Alice (Almeida) Bilyak; his sister, Delores Bozuchowski; and his brother, Richard E. Bilyak.

Walt leaves behind a legacy of laughter and a vast network of friends including George & Gloria Stowell, Maddy Mendoza and her friend Steven, Sally Smith and Robert Young.

Walt's family would like to extend their sincere thanks to the staffs of MidState Medical Center, Hartford Healthcare Palliative/Hospice Care and Yale New Haven Hospital for the excellent care they provided.

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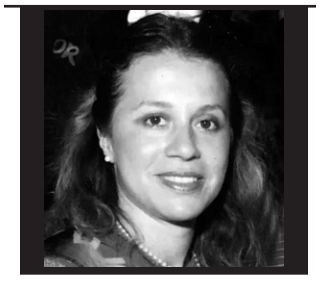

Ingrid Hall (Martha Ingrid), 75, of Wallingford, passed away peacefully at her home on March 29, 2026. She was born on October 29, 1950, in Lima, Peru, to Guillermo Alejandro Schroth Carlin and Teresa Ester Ida Sparrow.

She is survived by her beloved husband of 40 wonderful years, Steven Robert Hall; her devoted daughter, Julia Stephanie Hall; and her siblings, Maria Angélica and Federico Schroth. She was predeceased by her parents and her brother, Guillermo Schroth.

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ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday Service

North Haven: You are welcome at St. John's Episcopal Church, 3 Trumbull Place (at the top of the North Haven Green) for Sunday Service (Holy Communion) at 9am.

Visit our website: https://www. stjohns-northhaven.org/

Follow us on Facebook: St. John's Episcopal Church, North Haven, CT.



Michael P. Silvestro, 95 years of age, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, April 1st, 2026 at the Connecticut Hospice, Branford with his family by his side. He was the beloved husband of 70 years to Concetta "Connie" Galardi Silvestro. Father to Anita Silvestro (Ed Maloney) and Elisa Casella (Nicola Casella).

Michael was born in New Haven on September 13, 1930, and was the son of the late Frank and Anna Catania Silvestro. Brother to the late Phyllis Vitale and John Silvestro. Grandfather of Cristina Fusco (Mark) and the late Marc Anthony Casella. Great Grandfather to Sienna Fusco.

He grew up in the Church Street neighborhood of Hamden, played baseball and football in High School, and graduated from Hamden High School in 1949. Michael served in the Airforce from 1950-1955 in England and Tampa Florida.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the CT Hospice, Inc. (www.hospice.com.donate)

Services were held at the North Haven Funeral Home www.northhavenfuneral.com.



Grace Bernadette Walsh, 82, of Hamden, passed away peacefully on March 31, 2026 at the Connecticut Hospice in Branford. She was born on September 12, 1943 in New Haven to the late Herman and Anna (Pantaleo) Levinson. Grace spent most of her life living in Hamden.

Grace will be lovingly remembered by her husband, John H. Erickson of Hamden, and her beloved lifelong friends, Kim Hayes-Chong, Danielle Toce, and James Weiner. She was predeceased by her parents, Herman and Anna, her brother, David Levinson, and her cousin, Douglas Montano.

Services were held at the Beecher & Bennett www.beecherandbennett.com.

Sunday Service

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

Visit our Website: northfordcongregational.church

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

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

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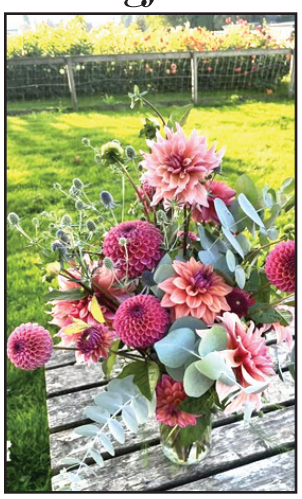
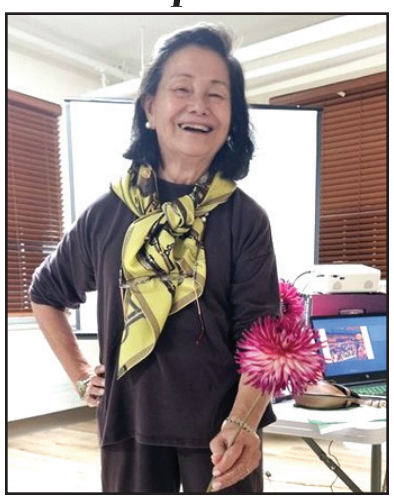
Wallingford Garden Club April 14th Meeting On 'Dahlias'







Pictured: Vase of dahlias on picnic table, Maria Kaynish and dahlia, and Dahlia samples.

Wallingford Garden Club will hold the April 2026 meeting on the 14th, program will be held at the First Congregational Church, 23 South Main Street.

The program is on 'Dahlias' with presenter Maria Kaynish at 11:00. She will speak on different types and sizes of dahlias. She has been growing dahlias for more than 3 decades and has over 350 plants. She is a member of the CT Dahlia Society and the National Dahlia Society.

Following the program will be a BYO lunch with dessert and coffee/tea available by the Club. A WGC business will follow. Open to the public. $5 donation is welcome. Parking is available off Center St and/or beyond in Town Hall public parking area. For more information, please call 203-269-2653.web: wallingfordgardenclub.com.

Wallingford Garden Club is a member of The Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut, New England Garden Clubs, Inc and National Garden Clubs, Inc.

Photos from Maria Kaynish's website.

St. Andrew's Worship Services

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, the white church on the hill in the heart of Northford, 1382 Middletown Ave., has been an integral part of Northford since 1763! Worship services are held Sundays at 10am. Refreshments and fellowship always follow.

Please join us - we'd love to get to know you! All are always welcome! The Church is also open to all in the community for individual prayer, Tuesdays from noon to 2pm.

St. Andrew's supports many community programs, and contributes regularly to the North Branford Scholarship Program; North Branford Social Services (NBSS) Thanksgiving Basket Share and Christmas Gift & Food Basket Share programs; NBSS Back-To-School Backpacks; clothing donations (donation shed located at the back of the church parking lot); and more.

A number of fundraising events are held throughout the year to help us help our neighbors, such as an Annual Rhubarb Fest, summertime Ice Cream Socials, and the annual Harvest Supper. Please join us for the events, and help us help our neighbors! Additionally, the church's Parish Hall is available for rent for birthday parties, showers, receptions, etc.

The Rev. Bryan Spinks is St. Andrew's priest; Nan Monde is Sr. Warden. For more information please contact Nan at (203) 710-7005.

Come Join the Fun at North Haven Conservation Commission Earth Day Celebration 2026

Join us on Saturday, April 18, 2026 from 10am-1:30pm at the North Haven Parks and Recreation Center, 7 Linsley Street, for a vibrant Earth Day Celebration. Now in its 18th year, this event is proudly sponsored by the North Haven Conservation Commission and highlights our shared commitment to environmental stewardship.

This free event invites residents and families to explore a wide range of engaging exhibits and demonstrations presented by local businesses, civic organizations, and state and local agencies. It's not just an opportunity to raise awareness about environmental issues; it's also a chance to discover ways to actively contribute to the improvement of life in North Haven.

We are bringing back the Scavenger Hunt, a fun filled activity with prizes, the Grand Prize being a Amazon Fire Tablet, and other prizes donated by the many exhibitors and vendors. FREE FACE PAINTING from 10:30am-1:30pm by Picasso Parties.

Attendees can look forward to exciting activities, displays, and hands on projects with many participants including Mystic Aquarium, North Haven Garden Club, the North Haven Camera Club, the North Haven Trails Association, Peters Rock Association, the Daytime Gardeners of North Haven, free face painting by Picasso Parties, and many more. Come celebrate our planet and learn how you can make a difference.

New this year the Conservation Commission has invited several small home based businesses to join our celebration. We wanted to highlight and showcase the many talented entrepreneurs of North Haven and give them and opportunity to share and sell their craft with all attendees at Earth Day. Vendors include Cookie Girl CT, Oakwood Candles & Creations, Helena Angelic, 203 Woodworks, The Gift Girl, The Kitchen Witch, L.A. Farm, Brooklyn Dough & Co. LLC, and more.

If you would like to join us to promote and share your business, and are from North Haven, contact us at nhgccindy@yahoo.com.

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