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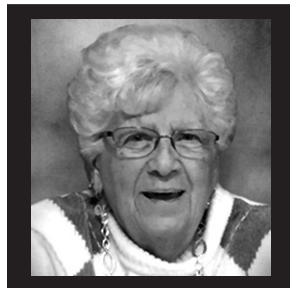
Quote: "Many people will walk in and out of your life, but only true friends leave footprints in your heart."  
Eleanor Roosevelt

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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.



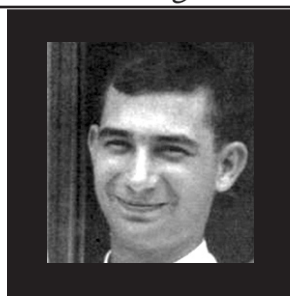
**Elizabeth "Betty" Howarth Keyes**, 93, peacefully departed this life on Sunday, November 3, 2024 at Masonicare of Wallingford surrounded by her loving family. She was the beloved wife of the late Thomas M. Keyes Sr. Betty was born in New Haven, CT on January 30, 1931, a daughter to the late George and Margaret (Turner) Howarth.

Betty is survived by her devoted children: Margaret (Peter) Barillaro, Thomas (Karen) Keyes, Joan (Bruce) Cwirka, George (Lisa) Keyes, Teresa (Walter) Torres, Regina (Joseph) Carasone, and Kevin (Lynn) Keyes. She was the beloved "Nanny" to 35 grandchildren and 69 Great Grandchildren. Betty is also survived by her sisters in law, Barbara Keyes, Kathy Traub, and Ruth Gindhart, and brother-in-law John DeChello as well as many beloved nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband and parents, Betty is predeceased by her great grandson, Nicholas Keyes, and her siblings, Joan Annunziata, Margaret Wrenn, and George Howarth.

Betty's family would like to extend their immense gratitude to the numerous caregivers for their dedicated support and compassion both at home and at the Masonicare community.

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**Ronald A. Leonardo**, 82, of Hamden, passed away peacefully in the presence of his family on November 1, 2024. Ronald leaves behind his wife of 60 years, Linda "Patty" Pilletere Leonardo and his two sons, Ronald (Catherine) and David (Susan). Ronald's legacy continues with his grandchildren David (Kaitlin) Leonardo, Lauren (Timm) Dexter, RJ and Nicholas Leonardo and his great grandchildren Jacob, Riley and Leon. He is survived by his aunt, Elizabeth Leonardo of Hamden and his sister-in-law, Delores Pilletere of West Haven. He will be lovingly remembered by many cousins, nieces and nephews. Born in New Haven on June 21, 1942, he is predeceased by his parents Louis and Mary Caruso Leonardo. Ron and Patty raised their family in Hamden.

Services were held at the

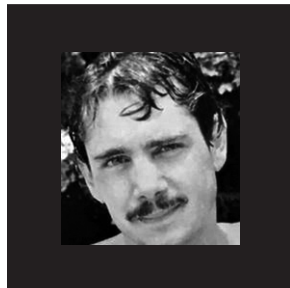
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**North Haven:** The Churches of North Haven Food Pantry is located at the North Haven Congregational Church. Those in need can call (203) 239-5691 to provide information to be registered for receiving non-perishable food once per month at pre-arranged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

The Food Pantry is supported by the North Haven community,



**Joseph S. Bartiet ("Joe Bart")**,

66 of Hamden, Connecticut passed away peacefully at his home, with sister Pamela Bartiet and Aunt Katie D'Auria by his side on October 25th after losing his battle to cancer. Born April 15, 1958, in New Haven, he was the loving son of the late Gerhardt "Gerry" & Virginia Gorman Bartiet. Joe is survived by his sisters Susan Pecoraro (Louis), of Canterbury, CT., Pamela Bartiet (Bobby) of Hamden, CT., and younger brother William Bartiet (Lisa) of Cheshire, CT. He was the loving nephew of Katie and Alphonse D'Auria, of Cheshire and uncle to Kayla and Julia Bartiet, Alexander, and Olivia Leigh Pecoraro, and Jennifer Delmedico. He leaves behind many cousins and friends especially John ("Toast") Zaleski who visited Joe regularly to watch the Red Sox ball games. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by aunts and uncles to whom he was remarkably close. He proudly served in the United States Army, as an E-4 Specialist, Infantry Battalion and received numerous commendations and medals for his accomplishments.

Services were held at the

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**Michael F. Pocius**, 64, of Wallingford, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, at MidState Medical Center, Meriden with his loving family by his side. He was the beloved husband of Janet Crossley Pocius. Michael was born in Meriden on November 30, 1959, and was the son of the late Frank Pocius and Charolette Tellert Pocius. Loving father of Jenna Cappello (Joe) and Lauren Pocius (Brandon Opuszynski). Beloved grandpa to Kayden Opuszynski. Also survived by his stepmother Rose Pocius.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the doctors, nurses and staff at Hospital for Special Care, Neuromuscular Clinic, and the MidState Medical Center ICU for their care and compassion.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to ALS United CT at www.alsunitedct.org/donate

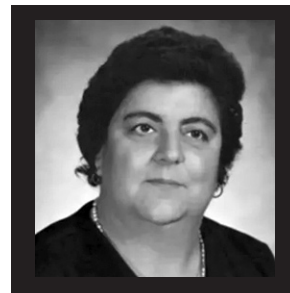
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many denominations of faith in North Haven as well as organizations including the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, Elks, Renegade Pigs, the Lions, Rotary, Knights of Columbus.

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.



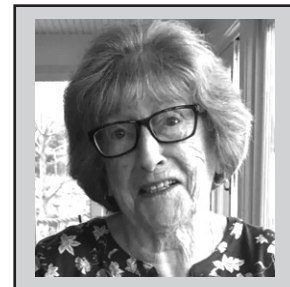
**Alfonsina Palmieri Mazzucco**,

97, of Northford passed away peacefully on Friday, November 1st, 2024, at Yale New Haven Hospital/St. Raphael campus with her family by her side. She was the beloved wife of the late Andrew Mazzucco. Alfonsina was born in Faicchio, Province of Benevento, Italy on December 22nd, 1926, and was the daughter of the late Pietro and Antonietta Bellenti Palmieri. Mother of Carmen Mazzucco and the late Santuccio Mazzucco. Mother-in-law of Maria and Yolanda Mazzucco. Beloved Nonna to Andrew Mazzucco, Tony Mazzucco (Natalina), Lisa Stadolnik (Peter), Andrea Mazzucco (Tina), Alfonzina Colella (Massimiano) and Angelo Mazzucco (Maria). Sister of Silvio Palmieri (Pasqualina), Rita Riccitelli and the late Cristina Mazzucco, Angelo Palmieri, Antonietta Pirraglia and Antonio Palmieri. Sister-in-law of Teresa Palmieri and the late Alessandro Riccitelli, Andrea Mazzucco, Pasquale Pirraglia and Carmela Palmieri. Also survived by 13 great-grandchildren, many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

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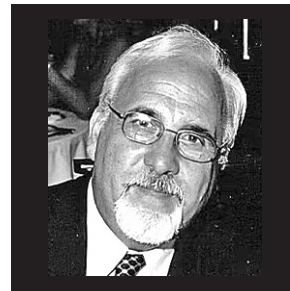


**Marion (Kelley) Regan**, 88, of Wallingford, formerly of Berlin, wife of the late Robert J. Regan, passed away on October 30, 2024, at Mid-State Medical Center. Marion was born in New Haven on June 6, 1936 a daughter of the late James and Bridget (Dowd) Kelley.

Marion is survived by her children, Dawn Scranton (David Ashford), and Martin J. Regan (Darlene); her grandchild, Gary Scranton III; her sister and brother-in-law, Alice and Nicholas Ferraro; her brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Martin and Peggy Regan, Thomas and Carol Regan and Roslyn "Cookie" Regan, also many nieces and nephews.

**WJ**

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**Stephen Aquilino, Jr.**, 81, of Wallingford, CT died peacefully on Sunday, October 27, 2024 at Mid-State Medical Center, Meriden, CT with his loving family by his side. He was the beloved husband of fifty eight years to Roseann (Santoro) Aquilino. Stepen was born in Newark, NJ on December 25, 1942, a son of the late Stephen and Josephine (Angiello), Sr., and resided in Northford, CT before moving to Wallingford in 2002. In addition to his wife Roseann, Stephen is survived by his daughter



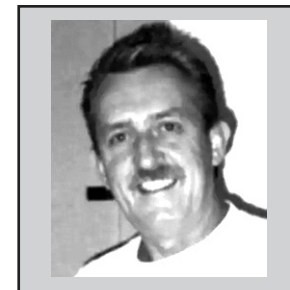
**Antonio Palmieri**, 88, of North

Haven, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, October 30, 2024, at MidState Medical Center in Meriden with his loving family by his side. He was the beloved husband of almost 64 years to Teresa Ferrucci Palmieri. Antonio was born in Faicchio, province of Benevento, Italy on November 23, 1935, and was the son of the late Pietro and Antonietta Bellenti Palmieri. Loving father of Pietro Palmieri, Antonietta Acciaro, and Maria Annunziato (Michael). Beloved Poppie of Anthony (Jessica), Michael, Teresa, Melissa (Alex), Peter, Anita Palmieri, Matthew and Marissa Acciaro, Gabriella Hendricks (Philip), Brianna, Nina, and Lorenzo Annunziato. Brother of Silvio Palmieri (Pasqualina), Rita Riccitelli, and the late Alfonsina Mazzucco, Cristina Mazzucco, Angelo Palmieri, and Antonietta Pirraglia. Also survived by seven great grandchildren. Predeceased by his brother in law Alessandro Riccitelli, Carmine Mazzucco, Andrea Mazzucco, Pasquale Pirraglia and a sister in law Carmela Palmieri.

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**Peter E. Bennett**, age 83, of

Wallingford passed away at the Veterans Administration Hospital, West Haven on October 30, 2024, with his family by his side. For 59 years, he was the loving husband of Mary Ann Gaudio Bennett. Peter was born in Manchester, son of the late Wilson and Ruth Cross Bennett. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his children, Peter Bennett and his wife Melanie of Meriden & Jamie Marcuss and her husband Francis of Meriden, his grandchildren, Connor and Owen Bennett and Molly and Morgan Marcuss, his sisters Rebecca Best and her husband James of Manchester and Sue Bennett of Colchester, his in-laws John Gaudio and his wife Donna of Wolcott, Lucy Wendland of West Haven, Suzanne Improta and her husband Victor of West Haven, as well as his nieces and nephews. Peter was predeceased by his sister Patricia Thompson, his niece Lona, and his brother-in-law Edward Wendland.

Peter was a proud US Navy Veteran, serving his country during Vietnam.

The family would like to thank the Home Based Primary Care Team, VA 5th floor step down unit, VA 3rd floor Hospice Care Team, as well as Margarita from Amity Home Care for all their compassion and support during this difficult time.

**WJ**

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Christine Aquilino of New Haven, his son Stephen Aquilino, III of Salem, NH, two grandchildren Dylan (Kayleigh) Sprague and Hailey Koval, a niece Laurie Cimino and nephew Joseph Cimino. He was predeceased by his sister Rosemary Capper.

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