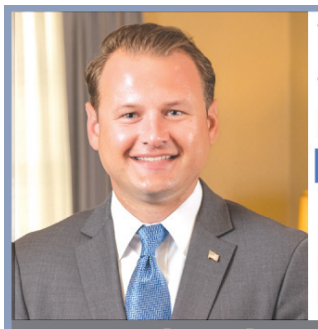

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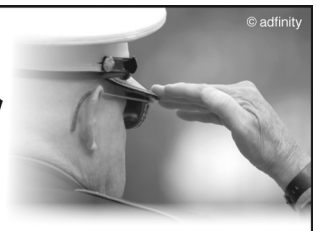

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What is a Traditional Wake?

The word wake comes from the Old English and Proto-Germanic words meaning "to observe or stand guard." The event is called a wake because its original purpose was to watch over the deceased until their burial, not to make sure the deceased didn't wake up, as many people believe. Celtic in origin, the first wakes were held in 6th century Ireland. Friends, family, and other volunteers would stay beside the deceased until the burial to protect their loved ones from possession by evil spirits. A modern wake is usually a visitation time with the deceased's family in their home (without the body present) or at a funeral home (sometimes with an optional viewing of the body).

A wake can be either private or public. Guests may choose to attend the wake if they couldn't make it to the funeral service. If you decide to place a funeral announcement in a local newspaper, the same can be done to announce the date, time and place of the wake. To learn more, please call 203-239-1179 for more information. You are welcome to visit us at 36 Washington Avenue.

Quote: "Seashells remind us that every passing life leaves something beautiful behind." --Unknown

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OBITUARIES



Frances "Fran" Fredette Bartlett, 94, of North Haven passed away peacefully on Sunday, November 23rd, 2025 at Yale-New Haven Hospital with her family by her side. She was the beloved husband of the late Deacon William "Bill" Bartlett. Fran was born in Rutland, Vermont on February 3, 1931 and was the daughter of the late Louis and Pauline Lassor Fredette. Loving mother of William Bartlett III, Cheryl Bartlett (Robert Eckel), Dawn Mann (Luke), Gayle Schutte (Robert) and Christopher Bartlett (Stephen Fries). Beloved grandmother to Tanya Siddle (Justin), Jordan Schutte (Ella), Noah Schutte and to her great grandchildren Jenessa, Colton and Lucas Siddle. Also survived by her loving sister Therese Gonsalves, nephew-in-law Donald Lacasse, great nephew and great nieces Jeffrey, Allison and Jillian Lacasse. Predeceased by her niece Lynne Lacasse and brother-in-law Antero Gonsalves.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to Joyce C. Budrow Senior Center, please make checks payable to Treasurer Town of North Haven, 18 Church Street, North Haven, CT 06473.

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



Frank G. Grande, 76, of Wallingford, loving husband of Deborah Smith Grande, passed away on November 18, 2025, at his home surrounded by his family. He was born in New Haven, CT on September 9, 1949, son of the late Silvino and Amelia Mary Ottaviano Grande. In addition to his wife Deborah, Frank is survived by his son, Christopher Grande, his sisters, Elizabeth Cambra and her husband Peter, and Anne Marie Fischer.

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Harold E. Ginter, Jr., 93, of North Haven, passed away peacefully at his home on Saturday, November 22, 2025. Harold was born on April 2, 1932 in New Haven, son of the late Harold E. Ginter, Sr. and Doris Smith Ginter. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy for four years in 1950 during the Korean War.

He is survived by a daughter Betsy Sue Eisenman (Robert), son Kurt Ginter (Lynn) and Brett Ginter (Karen), grandchildren Kristin Eisenman, Bryan Eisenman (Gina), and Matthew Eisenman (Dorothy), Shawn Ginter (Hillary) and Allison Hoagland (Jason), and great grandchildren Tim and Brianna Hoagland, Emilia, Elaina, Cameron and Payton Eisenman, and brothers Dave Ginter (Sandra), and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Harold was predeceased by his wife, Beverly, after 60 years of marriage together and his brother Bill Ginter.

Should friends desire, donations may be made to the First Congregational Church, 23 South Main Street, Wallingford, CT 06492.

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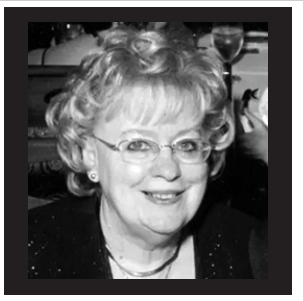

Barbara Travers Scheidecker, 92, of North Haven passed away peacefully on Tuesday, November 25th, 2025 at the Midstate Medical Center, Meriden. She was the beloved wife of 72 years to Robert Scheidecker. Barbara was born in Mt. Vernon, New York on September 27th, 1933 and was the daughter of the late Albert and Mary Dickens Travers. Mother of Linda Tosetti (William), Lisa DeGrand (Joseph) and the late Robert A. Scheidecker. Grandmother of Lisa Thorpe (Christopher), Kristen Mazziotti (James), Marissa Volpe and Jenna Volpe(fiancé Robert Ralston) Great-Grandmother of Tyler Thorpe, Josh Thorpe, Sean Thorpe, Jacob Mace, James Mazziotti and Sara Mazziotti. Predeceased by her stepfather Theodore Schwarz.

Services were held at the North Haven Funeral Home
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Anthony Edward Fusco, passed away on November 23, 2025. Anthony, son of the late Virgilio and Rosalie Mongillo Fusco, had just celebrated his 88th birthday with his family. He is survived by his wife, Dorrine and his three children, Lorie Fusco, Mark (Tracy) Fusco, Sr., and Jason (Erin) Fusco; ten grandchildren, Rebecca (Michael) Rauch, David (Emily), Rachael, Samuel, and Zachary McCollum, Mark Jr. (Christina), Angela, Gianna, Grace and Olivia Fusco; one great-granddaughter, Sienna Fusco; and brother-in-law, Richard (Janice) Halliday. He also dearly loved all his nieces and nephews, but especially Karen Eighmy and Kevin Ford, who always provided unconditional support and love. He was predeceased by his brother, James Fusco and wife Dolores; sister, Virginia Ford and her husband William; and his grandson, Jacob McCollum.

Tony was a 30-year resident of North Haven before recently moving to Wallingford.

Services were held at the Beecher & Bennett
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Nancy Lindsay, 89, of Yalesville, a devoted and loving wife to Ronald Lindsay for 65 years, passed away peacefully on November 17, 2025, at Midstate Medical Center with her family by her side. Born in Meriden on December 3,1935, Nancy, lovingly known by childhood friends as "Jake", was the daughter of the late Robert and Margaret (Hall) Jacobs. Raised in the Yalesville section of Wallingford, CT.

In addition to her husband, Ronald, she is survived by her daughter, Ann Lindsay and her husband, Robert Martinez; her sons, Curtis Lindsay and his wife, Audrey, and Ned Lindsay and his wife, Niti; and her beloved grandchildren, Jacob and Connor Lindsay. She was predeceased by her brother, Robert Jacobs.

Should friends desire, the family requests donations be made to the Yalesville United Methodist Church.

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PRAYER TO BLESSED VIRGIN

(Never known to fail) Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splender of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity, Oh, Star of the Sea, help me and show me, herein you are my mother. Oh Holy, Mary mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. (Make Request) There are none that can withstand your power. Oh, show me herein you are my mother. Oh Mary, conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse to thee (3x). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times) Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you. Grateful thanks.

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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.

St. Ann's Food Pantry

Hamden: St. Ann's Food Pantry at 322 Circular Ave., is open on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month 9:30-10:30am.

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#310 C.A.S.

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.