OBITUARIES



Eleanor "Elch" Robakiewicz neé Bryda, 90, a life-long Wallingford resident, entered immortality on the morning of January 15, 2025. She is survived by her beloved spouse of 68 years, Chester "Chet" Robakiewicz, who was at her bedside for her passing. Her son Phil and daughter-in-law Tina of Upton, Massachusetts also survive her, as well as her loving daughter-in-law Emily Arico Robakiewicz of Middletown, CT. Also surviving are her sister, MaryAnn Bryda D'Addario (John) and their son David and family. She was known simply as "Babci" to many and is survived by her three grandchildren, Elena (Matthias Kalisch) of Cologne, Germany, Kurt, and Max, both of Massachusetts, as well as her honorary German granddaughter, Daniela Glassen and her family. She was predeceased by her sons Paul and Peter.

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Angeline Borgnine, 96 departed life on January 14, 2025 at Midstate Medical Center in Meriden. She was the beloved wife of the late Howard Borgnine. Angeline was born in Meriden on October 19,1928 to the late Raymond and Albina (Vaccari) Siracusa.

Angeline is survived by her son Brent and wife Kim, her daughter Bonnie and husband Michael, 7 grandchildren; Robert (predeceased), Thomas (Adrienne), Maria (Bob), Michael, Matthew, Brien (Megan), Jason (Alexa), Shannon and Zachary as well as 5 great grandchildren: Rosetta, Angelia, Bryce, Crew, and Grayden.

Should friends desire, donations may be made in Angeline's name to either Masters Manna (www.mastersmanna.org) or St Jude Children's Hospital (www.stjude.org).

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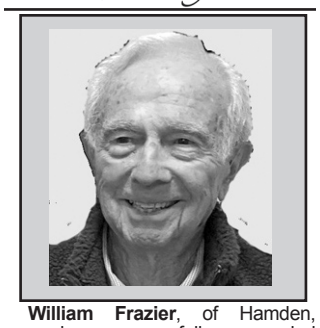
Jesus M. Rodriguez, 81, of North Haven, passed away peacefully on Friday, January 17th, 2025, at Yale New Haven Hospital/ St. Raphael Campus. Jesus was born in Orocovis, Puerto Rico on February 5th, 1943, and was the son of the late Domingo and Julia Negron Rodriguez. Father of Jesse M. (Dorothy) Rodriguez, Angel D. Rodriguez, Virgenmina (Claribel Fonton Torres) Rodriguez, Lilliam Rodriguez, Luis Rodriguez and Nancy Lopez. Also survived by numerous grandchildren, several great-grandchildren, 9 brothers and sisters, numerous nieces and nephews in Connecticut and Puerto Rico. He also leaves his life-partner Nancy Silva Ramos and former wife Virgenmina Rodreguez. A brother predeceased him.

Services were held at the NORTH HAVEN FUNERAL HOME www.northhavenfuneral.com.



Sherman Katz, 84, of North Haven passed away peacefully on Friday, January 17th, 2025, with his family by his side. He was the beloved husband for almost 65 years to Sally Weil Katz. Sherman was born in New Haven on April 2nd, 1940, and was the son of the late of Israel G. and Laura "Libby" Gurvich Katz. He served his country proudly and faithfully in the US Navy. Father of Susan Swirsky (David) and Michael Katz (Helene Victoria). Grandfather of Nicole, Adam, Meghan, Alanna and Deanna. Brother of Ronald, Daniel and Michael Katz.

Services were held at the NORTH HAVEN FUNERAL HOME www.northhavenfuneral.com.



William Frazier, of Hamden, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on January 16, 2025. Born in Plattsburgh, NY, on November 4th, 1931, to the late George and Anna Krause Frazier. He was drafted into the U.S. Army and served his country with honor.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 59 years, Dorothy; his son and daughter-in-law, Douglas and Mary of Auburn, NH, along with their children, Hannah and Lucas; his daughter and son-in-law, Ellyn Deborah Ferguson and Brian, of North Haven, CT; his sister, Minerva Taylor, and sister-in-law, Patricia Corbett.

Should friends desire, a contribution to the American Cancer Society may be made in Bill's name at: www.cancer.org.

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



Trudy Main, daughter of Walter Albert Schmutz and Emily Cecelia Sandberg left this earth January 16th, 2025 at the age of 96. She was born on a 500 acre farm in Middleton, a community between Washington and St. George, Utah.

Trudy is preceded in death by her husband Arthur Franklin Main and brothers Howard and Ashby, twins Virginia and Vernon, sister Hilma, and daughters Susan and June. She is survived by her daughter Beverly, son Alan, daughter Virginia and son Gary. Surviving grandchildren include Brooke, Regan, Aaron, Ashley, Nathan, Rachel, Jon, Sam, Galen, Ryan, Ian, Joe, Josh, Matt and Dave as well as 20 great grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren.

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Sheila M. (Kaman) Mitchell Golden, 82, of Wallingford, passed away peacefully surrounded by her loved ones January 20, 2025 at MidState Medical Center in Meriden. Sheila was born in Meriden on May 17, 1942, a daughter of the late Peter and Dorothy (Daly) Kaman.

Sheila was predeceased by her first husband, Alfred Mitchell who passed away at an early age, and her second husband, John Golden. She is survived by her sons, Michael Mitchell and his wife, Marybeth, Mark Mitchell and Ovidio Gryzbek and his wife, Denise.

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James G. Kahl, 73, lifelong resident of Wallingford, passed away, January 20, 2025, at his home. He was the beloved husband of Patricia (Fleischauer) Kahl. James was born in Meriden on April 18, 1951, son of the late George and Helen (Levack) Kahl.

In addition to his wife Patricia, he is survived by his daughter, Rebecca Kahl; his brother and sister-in-law, Milton and Eileen Kahl; his sister and brother-in-law, Dorothy Buckman and her husband Barry; his sister-in-law, Donna Stasiewski and her husband Glenn; nieces Melissa and Cristine and nephews Daniel and Brandon, as well as many great nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his daughter, Michelle Kahl; and his brother, George G. Kahl.

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Nancy E. Rochette, 76, of Wallingford, passed away January 12, 2025 at MidState Medical Center in Meriden. Nancy was born in Meriden on July 28, 1948, daughter of the late William and Elsie (Wruck) Rochette.

Nancy is survived by her daughter, Alexandra Lane, her granddaughter, Audra Wahlberg, new great grandson, Mason Wahlberg, loving brother, William Rochette, and leaves behind many cousins, nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her younger sister, Sally Rochette,

Should friends desire, donations can be made in her honor to St Jude's children's hospital, the ASPCA and St. John's Lutheran Church.

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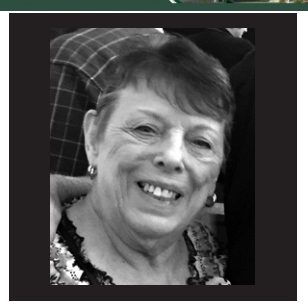
Quinta C. Platino Raccio, age 107 of Hamden, passed away January 16, 2025. Born in New Haven on March 12, 1917 she was a daughter of the late Carlo and Corina (Baldovin) DaVia. Quinta is survived by her daughter Carla Pascarella & her husband Ron Barthel of North Haven and her great granchildren Haley and Eric Pascarella. Quinta was predeceased by her two husbands Charles Platino and Joseph Raccio; her son Paul Platino; her grandson Eric C. Pascarella and all her siblings Antoinetta Rey, Corine (Rena) Vreeland, Irma Bernasconi, Genevieve Proto, Theresa D'Onofrio, Luigi (Louis) DaVia & Lindo (Lenny) DaVia. She also leaves several nieces and nephews. A resident of Hamden all her life Quinta. Carla would like to thank Quinta's nephews Tom Vreeland and Don Proto and Dr. & Mrs. Dominic Schioppo for all their support in her times of need.

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



Mary Teresa Smith, 82, of North Ogden, Utah passed peacefully on January 10, 2025. Mary was born in Summit, New Jersey to Haddie Sierakowska. Mary was preceded in death by her son Robert D. Smith Jr., and her brother Joseph Sargent.

She is survived by her husband, Robert D. Smith Sr., daughter Stacey Scott, son-in law, Charles Scott and nephews, James and Brian Reed, John Tata, niece, Gail Brown and sister-in law, Lynn Sargent.

A celebration of Mary's life will be conducted at 11:00 am, Saturday, February 1, 2025 at St. John's Church, 3 Trumbull Pl., North Haven, CT. As Mary will be cremated, there will be a service at the church for family and friends and a get together after in the Great Hall. Mary will rest in peace with her son in the Memorial Garden at St. Johns Church.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made out to St. Johns Church.



Rebekah Elizabeth Lyas, 45, of Wallingford, beloved wife of Benjamin Lyas, passed away on January 17, 2025 after a courageous battle with cancer. Born in Seoul, Korea on September 5, 1979, Rebekah came to America that December, a Christmas miracle to her parents, Deborah Dennis Ohlsen and the late James Ohlsen. She grew up in Hamden.

Besides her husband and mother, Rebekah will be lovingly remembered by her daughters, Marie Elena and Ruby EmmaJane; sisters, Dale (Norman) Briere and Danielle Ohlsen. She was predeceased by her son, James Edward.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions in Rebekah's name may be sent to, CT Hospice, 100 Double Beach Rd, Branford, CT 06405.

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



William "Bill "Anthony Fiore, 86, of Vienna, VA., departed his life on January 19, 2025 at home with the care of his loving wife, Alla, of 24 years by his side.

Loving father to daughter Elisha and son Levon.

Bill was predeceased by his parents, Maggie and Joseph Fiore Sr; brothers, Nicholas and Joseph Jr.; sister, Anabella Masotta; and his first wife, Linda Welch.

Survived by brother, Henry; sisters, Mary Carbone, Lorraine Fiore, Dolores McGuinness and Kathryn Bozzi. "Uncle Bill" will be remembered and sorely missed by a host of proud nieces and nephews.

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

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.

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/

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Winter Alpha Programs at St. Paul VI Parish

Hamden: Looking for fellowship and spiritual growth? Join us for Alpha to explore questions of life and faith.

We invite you to join us on Tuesday mornings from 8:30-10am at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, now thru April 1 or, experience Alpha online on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9pm, now thru- April 9.

All are welcome; registration is required.

Please visit the parish website at: hamdencatholic.org for course details and registration information.

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Remembering You

We thought of you today
but that is nothing new.
We thought of you yesterday
and will tomorrow, too.
We think of you in silence
and make no outward show.
For what it meant to lose you
only those who love you know.
Remembering you is easy,
we do it everyday.
It's the heartache of losing you
that will never go away.

Author Unknown
Submitted by Ron Johnson, Hamden

Lenten Walk

North Haven: Join us for the Lenten Walk as we gather for the Stations of the Cross beginning on March 25th, Tuesdays at 5pm (also April 1, 8 and 15) at the All Saints Cemetery Mausoleum, 700 Middletown Ave. The Walk will continue for 4 weeks ending the Tuesday of Holy week. Please mark your calendar to SAVE THE DATES. There is no registration required.

Please wear "weather-appropriate" clothing. This event will take place outdoors. Walking is of moderate intensity. We will be walking up and down hills and stopping to stand at each Station to pray.

Those interested in taking on a more responsible role, please reach out to Barbara at (203) 780-8418 or email her at bgode@ccacem.org. Visit our website often for any scheduling updates at www.ccacem.org