Meryl A. 'Mike' Iiams

Meryl A. 'Mike' Iiams passed away on October 17, 2006, at The Westerly Hospital. Born in Corvallis, Oregon, on January 1, 1922, he was the son of Austin Henry Iiams and Elizabeth Hohl and brother of Edna Skrabble.

He was married to Vera Garlow of Pawcatuck on December 24, 1949. Mike joined the U.S. Navy on January 15, 1942 as an aviation cadet, earning his Navy pilot's wings later that year. His 31-year Navy career included flight instructor duty at Corpus Christi during World War II, followed by many fighter and attack squadron assignments culminating in duty as commanding officer of VA-212, a jet attack squadron on the USS Lexington (CVA-16). Other assignments included duty on aircraft carriers at sea in the Mediterranean and Western Pacific.

Shore assignments included Newport, Rhode Island, as an OCS instructor and the Naval War College as both student and instructor, involving a rich array of foreign naval officers. Staff duties in Hawaii and the Pentagon prepared Mike for his final command tour as commanding officer of the Naval Air Facility in Cam Ranh Bay, Vietnam, in 1967. His final active duty tour was as Assistant Naval Attaché, U.S. Embassy in London, England, 1969-1973. Among his military honors and awards were The Legion of Merit (2), Navy Unit Commendation, United Nations Medal, WWII Victory Medal, and Vietnamese Legion of Honor 1st Class.

After retiring, Mike obtained a master's degree in industrial psychology and taught at the University of New Haven and Mitchell College in their psychology departments. Active in the community, he was a member of the Stonington Conservation Commission, Economic Commission, and the Southeastern Connecticut Mental Health Board.

Mike had many personal interests including world travel, exploring the United States as well as reading history, philosophy and religion. An avid outdoorsman, Mike loved camping, hunting, skeet shooting and any activity involving his family.

He was predeceased by his son, Jeffrey A. Iiams, USN, and survived by his wife, Vera and their two children, Gordon, Capt USN, MC, Retired of Suffolk, Va., and Betsy of Pawcatuck.

His four grandchildren are Emily M. Doeling, Jeffrey A. Iiams, MIDN 4/C, Joshua A. Iiams and Jaime L. Iiams.

His family will greet relatives and friends at Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly, on Saturday, Oct. 21, between 10 and 11 a.m. with a memorial service at 11:30. Formal burial will be at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia, date to be announced.

Donations in his memory may be made to the Stonington Education Fund, P.O. Box 1922, Pawcatuck, CT 06379.
Alice Imdahl

Mystic — Alice I. Imdahl, of Maritime Drive, Mystic, and formerly of Pawcatuck, died Sunday in Mystic.

She was born Jan. 31, 1932, in New London, the daughter of Chester and Leona (Fowler) Young. She was married to the late Gordon Imdahl.

She is survived by a brother, Dennis Borkman and his wife, Betty, of Groton; nine nephews; and one niece. She was predeceased by a sister, Lois Williams.

A graveside service will be held 11 a.m. Friday at Elm Grove Cemetery, Mystic. There are no calling hours.

Byles-Groton Memorial home, 310 Thames St., Groton is assisting with the arrangements.

Please visit www.byles.com to sign the guest book or to share a memory.
Katherine Ingalls

STONINGTON — Katherine (Betty) Stowell Ingalls, 80, of 45 Quanaduck Road, died Monday in her home. She was the wife of William Sherrod Ingalls.

She was born in Norwich, Conn., Jan. 19, 1913, a daughter of the late Herbert M. and Julia B. Kuebler Hitchon. She graduated from Norwich Free Academy in 1930 and graduated from Simmons College in 1934. She then worked at the Connecticut Light and Power Co. until her marriage in 1936. She belonged to the College Club of Meriden, associate member of the Charity Club of Meriden, the Meriden Hospital Auxiliary, the Meriden YWCA, the Rolling Pins of Meriden. She was a longtime former member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Meriden, where she was a member of the Altar Guild. She moved to Stonington in 1988 and joined St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Mystic.

Besides her husband, she is survived by two daughters, Sarah Jane Doak of Groton, Long Point, Conn., and Catherine Stowell Roggemman of France; a son, Robert H. Stowell of Kensington; a sister, Mrs. Raymond Peck of Stratford; nine grandchildren, Katherine H. Doak of Charleston, S.C., Samuel J. Doak of Oberlin, Ohio, Jenny S. Doak of Mansfield, Conn., Juliette Roggemman of France, Anouchka Roggemman of France, Daphne Roggemman of France, Daniel Stowell of Kensington, Ryan Stowell of Kensington, and Austin Stowell of Kensington.

She was predeceased by her first husband, Charles L. Stowell, and a brother, Carl K. Hitchon.

A memorial service will be held Friday, Feb. 5, at 11 a.m. at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 20 Catlin St., Meriden, Conn. The Rev. Robert J. Broesler will officiate assisted by Rev. Molly Lauden. Burial will be at the convenience of the family. The Beecher & Bennett Flatow Funeral Home, 48 Cook Ave., Meriden, is in charge of arrangements. Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, Meriden Road, Middletown, Conn.

Katherine Ingalls

Jan. 19, 1872 — Feb. 5, 1993

STONINGTON — Katherine "Betty" Stowell Ingalls, 80, of 45 Quanaduck Road, wife of William Sherrod Ingalls, died yesterday at her home.

She was born in Norwich, Jan. 19, 1913, daughter of the late Herbert M. and Julia B. (Kuebler) Hitchon. She moved to Stonington in 1988.

Mrs. Ingalls graduated from Norwich Free Academy in 1930, and Simmons College in 1934. She then worked at the Connecticut Light & Power Company until her marriage in 1936.

Mrs. Ingalls was a member of the College Club of Meriden, an Associate member of the Charity Club of Meriden, a member of the Meriden Hospital Auxiliary, the Meriden YWCA, and the Rolling Pins of Meriden.

She was a former member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Meriden where she had been active on the Altar Guild. While in Stonington she was a member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Mystic.

In addition to her husband, survivors include two daughters, Sarah Jane Doak of Groton Long Point, and Catherine Stowell Roggemman of France; a son, Robert H. Stowell of Kensington; a sister, Mrs. Raymond Peck of Stratford; and nine grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her first husband, Charles L. Stowell, and a brother, Carl K. Hitchon.

The Beecher and Bennett Flatow Funeral Home, 48 Cook Ave., Meriden, has charge of arrangements.
John Ingham

Pawcatuck — John Perry Ingham, 45, of 45 Buckingham St., died Friday morning at The Westerly Hospital after being stricken at home.

He was born in Westerly on Jan. 19, 1935, the son of John Lewis Ingham and Lucille A. (Norman) Ingham. Raised in Pawcatuck, he attended local schools and was a 1959 graduate of Stonington High School.

Shortly after his graduation, he accepted a position at Electric Boat in Groton. During his career, he was promoted several times until becoming Sheet Metal Supervisor in 1961, a position he held for 19 years, up until the time of his recent illness. In 1999, he was recognized for 25 years of service to the company.

On Sept. 30, 1958, at the Mystic Congregational Church, he was married to his high school sweetheart, Janis (Johnson) Ingham.

An avid golfer, Mr. Ingham was a member of the Old Mystic Baptist Church Friday night golfing league. He also enjoyed cooking, fishing, and gardening, and was an avid New York Giants and “Star Trek” fan. He was a longtime summer resident of Groton Hill Beach, R.I.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a brother, Geoffrey Ingham of Pawcatuck, and two sisters, Charlene L. Ingham of Groton Hill Beach, R.I., and Jeanne DeMovick of Weekapaug, R.I.

A funeral service will be conducted at The Dinote Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday. Interment will follow at Elm Grove Cemetery. Visiting hours will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Memorial gifts may be made to the John P. Ingham Memorial Scholarship Fund, in care of Washington Trust Bank, Olde Mistick Village, Mystic 06355.
Kathy Ingham

Pawcatuck — Kathy F. Ingham, 56, of Pawcatuck, passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by her family, on Wednesday, Aug. 5, 2009.

Kathy was born in New London, the daughter of Rocco and Louise Pagliuco. Raised in Groton, she attended local schools and was a 1971 graduate of Fitch High School. Following graduation, Kathy worked for several years at General Dynamics in Groton, where she met her husband, Geoffrey. During that time she earned a B.S. in accounting from the University of Rhode Island, graduating with high honors in 1982. While raising her children, Kathy practiced accounting as a CPA, working for several firms in Missouri, Michigan, and Rhode Island.

Kathy was known by her friends and family as a warm and joyful spirit and was known to the community as a generous volunteer, giving her time to the Stonington High School Athletic Boosters, the PTO, and the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center, among other groups. She was a beach-lover, and enjoyed spending summers with her family at their Green Hill Beach, R.I., summer home.

Kathy loved activities that brought her together with family and friends; she especially enjoyed spending the holiday season with her loved ones and monthly nickel poker games with several of her girlfriends. Kathy frequently told her family that she hoped to be remembered for her perfect stove top popcorn and toast.

She is survived by three children, Nathan G. Ingham, David A. Ingham and Jacqueline F. Ingham, all of Pawcatuck. She is also survived by a sister, Mary Kubesh and her husband, Dennis, of Traverse City, Mich., and Globe, Ariz.; as well as a brother, Anthony Pagliuco, and his wife Linda, of Coventry. She leaves a niece, Erica Pagliuco, and a nephew, Christopher Pagliuco, as well as sisters-in-law, Charlene L. Ingham of Charlestown, R.I., and Janis Ingham of Mystic.

Kathy was predeceased by her husband, N. Geoffrey Ingham.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 10, in the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly, R.I. Interment will follow at the River Bend Cemetery in Westerly. Calling hours will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday at the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of Southeastern Connecticut, 227 Dunham St., Norwich, CT 06360 or the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center, 27 Chase St., Pawcatuck, CT 06379.
Obituaries

Norman Geoffrey Ingham

Norman Geoffrey Ingham, 60, of Pawcatuck, passed away suddenly on Sunday, Jan. 18, 2009, while vacationing with his wife in Globe, Ariz.

Geoff was born in Corpus Christi, Texas, the son of John Lewis Ingham and Lucille A. (Norman) Ingham. Raised in Pawcatuck, he attended local schools and was a 1966 graduate of Stonington High School. He was also a graduate of Southern CT State College.

Shortly after graduation, he accepted a position at General Dynamics in Groton, where he met his wife Kathy. During his career, he was promoted several times and worked for the contracts division of GD in St. Louis, Mo., and Detroit, Mich., until returning to GD in Groton where he was appointed director of his division a few months before retiring in February 2008.

Geoff was an avid fisherman and boater. He enjoyed spending time with his family at their summer home at Green Hill Beach. He also enjoyed cooking and especially enjoyed traveling with his wife during retirement. Geoff was a ninth generation Mayflower descendant and a devoted volunteer at the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center. He was also a wine enthusiast, a knowledgeable craftsman, a savvy investor, and a classic car lover, but most of all a loving husband and father.

In addition to his wife, Kathy F. (Pagliuca) Ingham, Geoff is survived by three children, Nathan G. Ingham, David A. Ingham and Jacqueline F. Ingham, all of Pawcatuck. He is also survived by a sister, Charlene L. Ingham and her partner Linda Jean Lewis of Charlestown; sister and brother-in-law, Jeanne and Harvey DeMovic of Weekapaug; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Rocco and Louise Pagliuca of Groton; a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Anthony and Linda Pagliuca of Coventry, Conn.; a sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Mary and Dennis Kubesh of Traverse City, Mich.; a sister-in-law, Janis Ingham of Mystic; and his beloved cat, Sylvester.

Geoff was predeceased by his brother, John P. Ingham of Pawcatuck.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday in the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. Interment will follow at the River Bend Cemetery in Westerly. Calling hours will be held Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. at Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center, 27 Chase St., Pawcatuck, CT 06379.
Paul Ingle

Mystic — Paul William Ingle, 90, of Mystic, died peacefully at home on Jan. 1, 2019.

Born in Rhode Island, he spent his early days sailing on Narragansett Bay and his retirement years sailing on Fishers Island Sound, always eager to share his love of the water with friends and family. As a young man, after serving a yearlong tour of duty in Korea, he married Sally Fish, gained his degree in Mechanical Engineering at URI, and took his father-in-law’s advice to “Go West” to heart, beginning his career in Los Angeles, Calif.

Returning to the East Coast in 1959, Paul and his family settled in Connecticut, where he was employed by Hamilton Standard as an aerospace engineer until his retirement in 1988. He took great pleasure in sharing his hobbies with his children, teaching them to sail, ski, draw and build, and his talents for scrimshaw, ship model building, painting and wood carving were unsurpassed. He lost Sally, his wife of 64 years, in 2017, but he never lost his smile and gentle humor.

Paul is survived by his son Paul William Ingle Jr.; his daughter Sarah Warren Ingle; and granddaughter, Noelle Sophia Ingle.

A celebration of Paul’s life will be held at the Union Baptist Church at 11 a.m. in Mystic on Feb. 2, 2019. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Mystic River Historical Society at PO Box 245, Mystic, CT 06355. The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl Street, Mystic is assisting the family.
Nonie Burdick Irey

North Stonington — Nonie Burdick Irey passed into eternal life after a courageous battle with ALS on Feb. 15, 2007, at the age of 61 surrounded by family and loved ones.

Nonie was the daughter of Alice Latham Burdick and the late Ellery "Babe" Burdick.

She is survived by her companion, George Bittman; her daughters, Andrea Parent and husband Al; and Rachel Mosier and husband Rod; grandchildren: Shawn Parent and Rodney and Marcella Mosier; sisters Alice Livingstone, Jane Martley and husband Bill, Cathy Holdridge and husband Jim, and Marie Magee; sister-in-law Dot Burdick; lifelong friend Betsy Faulise; friend and caregiver Sally Lamphere; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She is predeceased by her brother, Johnny Burdick.

Her former husband was Jim Irey.

Nonie took great pride in her Irish heritage and family, which was evident through the deli known as Nonie's Deli, which she ran in the Stonington Borough with partner George Bittman. She also loved to share her sense of humor and showcase her personality with the variety of hats she wore on a daily basis in her deli, along with photos, music and food.

The Mystic Irish Parade Association recognized Nonie's commitment to the Irish community by naming her the "Honorary Marshal of the 2007 Mystic Irish Parade."

Even Sen. Ted Kennedy made a yearly pilgrimage to visit Nonie at the deli. Nonie continued to work at the deli until Dec. 31, 2005, when the disease made it impossible for her to continue. Because of the steadfast compassion and generous heart of the Holdridge family she was able to live life to the fullest in a loving home environment.

She lived a life full of giving and caring for others. Some of her interests were Girl Scouting, quilting and crocheting, and she was a Eucharistic Minister and CCD teacher. She was an avid traveler, camping throughout the United States with her family and the Nugents. Of all destinations, Ireland was her favorite.

During the final weeks of Nonie's life, family and friends found solace in caring for her as she cared for so many others.

Her family will greet relatives and friends at the Dipoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic (just down from the Harp and Hound Irish Pub), on Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St. Michael's Church in Pawcatuck on Saturday at 10 a.m. A celebration of her life will take place Sunday, Feb. 18, at 2 p.m., at the Holdridge residence.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to ALS Patient Closet, 4 Oxford Road, Unit D1, Milford, CT 06460 (203-874-3050).

For obituary information, directions, or to send Nonie's family a note of remembrance or condolence, please visit www.dinotofuneral.com and to view photos, visit www.carepages.com and then entering patient name Nonie Irey (no space).

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The Heart of the Borough
A local business owner is remembered

By M. Matthew Clark
Times Staff Writer

A sign on the door of the tiny deli on Water Street in Stonington Borough reads: "Nonie passed on. Sorrow comes to all."
Nonie Burdick Irey, 61, owner of Nonie's Deli, died earlier this month of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, or ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's disease. Irey was a proud Irishwoman whose small sandwich and coffee shop on the village's main drag is a popular hub for locals.

Recently on Ash Wednesday, two of Irey's four sisters, Cathy Holdridge and Jane Martley, sat at a table in Nonie's Deli, ate lunch and reflected on their sister's life. Written on the table in magic marker were fond remembrances from customers addressed to Irey. "Dear Nonie," read one such message. "You were the heart of the boro. You will be missed."

"She loved the deli," said Holdridge. She said that even after Irey had to stop working at the deli - she was in a wheelchair because of the ALS, a progressive, neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord - she would still come into the shop and greet her loyal customers with a smile. "She was always interested in the people who came in here."

Irey grew up in the Quiaumauk section of Stonington, where she lived all her life. She attended St. Michael's elementary school in Pawcatuck and graduated from Stonington High School.

Irey's Irish heritage played a prominent role in her life; she and her sisters made several trips back to Ireland and Irey loved Irish music. Holdridge said Irey visited County Kerry in Ireland at least 10 times in her life. She was particularly fond of the town of Annascaul, where her grandmother was originally from.

The Mystic Irish Parade Association named Irey the 2007 "Honorary Marshal" of the parade for her commitment to the Irish community, and her sisters and her significant other and partner, George Bittman, will be marching in her stead.

Bittman, who was with Irey for 11 years, said he plans to keep the deli going in Irey's memory. "She didn't like negativity whatsoever," Bittman said. "She was a very positive person" even through her struggle with ALS. Irey became famous in the borough for her wide selection of colorful and curious hats that she inherited from a local woman. The hats hang on hooks in the deli along the ceiling and Irey would choose a different one depending on her mood.

"People would come in just to see what hat she was wearing," Bittman said.
Brandia Irvin


A Celebration of Life is scheduled from 2 to 6 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 15, 2019, at the Groton Lodge of Elks, 700 Shennecossett Road in Groton.

Byles Memorial Home is assisting the family with the arrangements. For further information, please visit www.byles.com.

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OBITUARIES

Josephine D. Italiano

Josephine D. (DeSista) Italiano, 93, wife of the late Frank J. Italiano, of Edward Street, Pawcatuck, passed away at The Westerly Hospital on Tuesday, March 1, 2011.

Born in Peace Dale, R.I., she was a daughter of the late Antonio and Antonetta DeSista.

Josephine was employed as a teacher by Stonington High School for many years until her retirement. She also previously worked as a math and science teacher at Glastonbury, Killingly, and Westerly high schools.

She was a communicant of St. Michael the Archangel Church, a board member of Stonington Credit Union, and a member of both the NEA and CEA. Josephine enjoyed helping students at school and at home by tutoring.

She is survived by her son, Thomas A. Italiano and daughter-in-law, Ginanne of Silver Spring, Md.; daughter, Jean I. Gordon and son-in-law, David of Westerly; sisters, Melina DeSalvo of Peace Dale and Loretta Haigh of Narragansett; two grandchildren, Kelly J. Gordon of Westerly and Mark J. Italiano of Silver Spring; and several nieces and nephews. Josephine was predeceased by three brothers, America, Frank and James DeSista; and two sisters, Jenny DeSista and Louise Marzilli.

Visiting hours will be held Thursday from 4 to 7 p.m. in Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. A funeral liturgy will be held on Friday at 10 a.m. in St. Michael the Archangel Church, 60 Liberty St., Pawcatuck. There is no procession from the funeral home to the church. Burial will take place in St. Michael Cemetery, Pawcatuck.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to ORTV, Archdiocese of Hartford, 15 Peach Orchard Road, Prospect, CT 06712-1052, in Josephine's memory. For online condolences go to www.gaffneydolansfuneralhome.com.
Mystic — Colman Saddington Ives, 101, of Mystic, died on Jan. 11, 2019. On May 9, 1941, he married the love of his life, Ethel Marie Mainzer, and they were happily married for 76 years. She predeceased him on Nov. 14, 2018.

A celebration of his life will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 19, 2019, at St. Mark’s Episcopal Church, 15 Pearl St., Mystic. The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., historic downtown Mystic, is handling the arrangements.
Rev. Raymond Izbicki

Stonington — The Rev. Raymond A. Izbicki, age 85, of Stonington, died on Tuesday, Feb. 20, 2007, in Mystic.

He was born in Norwich on Dec. 8, 1921, the son of the late Anthony and Josephine (Izbicki) Izbicki. His stepmother was the late Josephine (Bukowski) Izbicki. He was a graduate of the Norwich Free Academy Class of 1939.

He moved to New York City at the age of 21 to work with the Columbia Broadcasting System to produce shortwave radio programs and with the Department of State and the Voice of America to produce foreign language programs beamed to Europe during World War II. After the war, he worked with CARE Inc. in Germany, Yugoslavia, Holland, Italy and Libya. After serving as the director of CARE in Italy, he was honored by the Italian president, Giovanni Gronchi, who bestowed on him the rank of Commander, Order of Merit of the Italian Republic, the highest honor that could be granted to a civilian non-head of government, and received a private audience with Pope Pius XII, who thanked him for his service to the Italian people.

Later he returned to New York City where he helped to open The Section Eleven Gallery owned by Betty Parsons, the doyenne of contemporary art dealers. He was later appointed director of the New York Studio School of Drawing, Painting and Sculpture.

In 1975 he returned to the Mystic-Stonington area where he opened an art and antiques shop. He retired in 1989.

In February 1984 he was ordained a priest in the Anglican (Old Catholic) Church. For the next decade he was associated with St. James Church in Preston. Before his death he had limited his ministry to counseling, visiting the sick, and occasionally conducting funeral and marriage services.

Survivors include a sister-in-law, Bertha Izbicki of Preston, and nieces and nephews.

His brother, Chester Izbicki, predeceased him.

After cremation, there will be a private memorial and burial service.

Contributions in memory of Father Izbicki may be made to the Stonington Village Improvement Association for the James Merrill House Writers in Residence Fund, P. O. Box 18, Stonington, CT 06378.

The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, is assisting the family. For additional obituary information to send a note of remembrance, please visit www.dinotofuneral.com.
Helen Jablonski

Stonington — Helen Mish Jablonski, 71, of 25 Lindberg Road, Lord's Point, died Friday, Jan. 21, at the Westerly Hospital.

She was born in Norwich on Aug. 17, 1926, the daughter of the late Michael and Annie Maguder Mish.

She was raised in the Norwich area and married John Jablonski at St. Joseph's Church in Occum on Sept. 24, 1949. He died in December 1997.

Mrs. Jablonski had been employed by the American Thermos Co. in Norwich and later worked for J.J.'s Construction Co., operated by her husband, as well as J.J.'s Doghouse in Pawcatuck.

More recently, she worked at the Mary Elizabeth Nursing Center as a nurse's aide and was a private duty nurse.

She was a communicant of St. Mary Church in Stonington, a member of Al Anon and a member of the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center.

She is survived by one daughter, Melinda Jablonski, of Milford; three sons, Walter Bruce and Stanley Jablonski, all of Stonington; two sisters, Margaret LaMothe and Bertha Jorje, both of Norwich; a brother, Theodore Mish of Norwich; and one grandson.

She was predeceased by two brothers, Joseph and William Mish.

A memorial Mass will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Mary Church, Broad St., Stonington.

Private burial will be in St. Mary Cemetery.

There are no calling hours.

Memorial donations can be made to St. Mary Church, 95 Main St., Stonington 06378.

The Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.
LORD'S POINT — John "JJ" Jablonski, 69, of Lindberg Road and DeKalb Junction, N.Y., died Christmas day at his home after a lengthy illness.

He was born June 28, 1928, in Norwich, the son of the late Walter and Helen Srednicki Jablonski.

He attended schools in Norwich. He was a World War II veteran, having served with the U.S. Marine Corps in the Pacific Theater of operations.

He worked from 1946 to 1957 in the shipping and receiving department of the Thermos Co. in Norwich.

He married Helen Mish in St. Joseph Church in Occum on Sept. 24, 1949. She survives.

Mr. Jablonski had been a self-employed builder, owning JJ Construction Co., which built the Tabor Inne in Mystic and had done work at Olde Mistick Village. From 1968 to 1972 Mr. Jablonski operated JJ's Doghouse, a popular hot dog stand and restaurant on Route 1 in Pawcatuck. More recently he worked as a carpenter at the Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics, retiring in 1990.

In his retirement he built Adirondack furniture which he sold on Route 184 in Old Mystic, and more recently on Route 1 near the Mason's Island traffic light. He was a member of St. Mary Church in Stonington.

Besides his wife, he is survived by one daughter, Melinda Jablonski of Milford; three sons, Walter, Bruce, and Stanley Jablonski; all of Stonington; three sisters, Rose Perra and Jennie Lillie, both of Norwich, and Jean Linda of Montville; and one grandson, Jacob S. Jablonski.

In addition to his parents, he was pre-deceased by two brothers, Stanley Jablonski and Joseph Jablonski; and one niece, Jean Perra DiGangi.

A Memorial Mass will be held at St. Mary Church Stonington on Saturday Jan. 3, at 10a.m. There are no calling hours. Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, is in charge of arrangements.

Contributions in memory of Mr. Jablonski can be made to St. Mary Church Building Fund, 95 Main St., Stonington, 06378; or to Hospice of Southeastern Connecticut, P.O. Box 902, Uncasville, 06382-0902.
Bunny Jackson, 85, passed away peacefully on Jan. 20, 2012.

Born in Pawtucket, R.I., she was the beloved wife of Benjamin A. Jackson. They enjoyed a wonderful life in East Greenwich and Warwick, R.I. She also lived in Florida and Southern California.

Bunny spent many a summer enjoying the beautiful ancestral fishing village of Cole Harbour, Nova Scotia.

She loved collecting and selling antiques at her shop, Serendipity Antiques in East Greenwich. Bunny was an accomplished portrait artist, and she loved gardening.

The last 11 years Bunny lived with her devoted daughter and son-in-law, Kimberly and Robert Magro, at their home.

She loved sharing in the life of her two dear grandchildren, Jessica and Benjamin Magro.

The family wants to thank Ellie and Mary Jane for loving care and companionship of Bunny. Thank you also to the wonderful staff at the Apple Rehab in Mystic.

A memorial will be held this spring at Dunn's Corners Church.

In lieu of flowers, donations to Bunny’s favorite charity “The Smile Train” would be appreciated.
Mystic — Michael Harris Jacobs died Thursday, April 27, 2017. In typical Mike Jacobs fashion, he died in a larger than life way, in Mexico right after a lunch laughing with his wife and friends. Writing a standard obituary wouldn't honor this loved man because he was anything but ordinary. There is no template that would properly do his legacy justice. Mike Jacobs raised his daughters on the motto "learn to dance in the rain." He carried that through his life, from growing up on Chatham Street in Hartford with his late parents, Gloria and Abe, to his days studying sociology at American International College ... to his 22 years with RBC (39 years in the industry) ... to his most recent career as a stand-up comedian where he performed all over the country. Everyone who encountered Mike Jacobs, even for a minute, walked away in a better mood. To those who know him you are smiling right now because you know that exact feeling. Hold onto it. Carry it with you.

Honestly, it's hard to go into his vast and impressive resume, because that was never what it was about with Mike. He just wanted to make people laugh. And he did just that. His passion for stand-up comedy didn't happen until later in his beautiful life, yet his desire to make people laugh was something he was born with. He wrote in his mother's obituary, "laughter is the shortest distance between two people." That is how the family encourages everyone to remember him. Always with quotes. Always leaving you with a smile. Always making you laugh.

Mike Jacobs the Comedian had another side to him. He was also extremely compassionate, sensitive, and wore his heart on his sleeve. If you were in pain, he felt every ounce of that with you. On your dark days he would be by your side until you learned to dance in the rain.

He lived a full beautiful life and will be sorely missed.

Mike Jacobs leaves behind his devoted wife of 12 years, Candace "Candy" Jacobs of Mystic; his daughter, Jillian Jacobs; daughter and son-in-law, Alyson and Matthew Leydig; daughter and son-in-law, Abigail and Christopher Hoffman; daughter Margaret O'Brien; grandchildren Samuel Leydig, and Tristan and Talon Hoffman; mother-in-law Patricia Copp; sister and brother-in-law, Elisse and Bob Foley; and nephew and niece Donald and Betsy Cosenza. In addition, Mike leaves many other cherished cousins, his Masons Island family whom he adored, his RBC family, fellow comics from the New York Friars Club, and friends, many of whom he spoke with daily.

Funeral services will be at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 2, in the chapel of the Weinstein Mortuary, 640 Farmington Ave., Hartford, with burial in Fairview Cemetery, West Hartford. Arrangements are entrusted to Weinstein Mortuary, Hartford.

For further information, directions, or to sign the guest book for Michael Jacobs, please visit online at www.weinsteinmortuary.com/funerals.cfm.
Donald A. Jacobson

Donald A. Jacobson, 82, of Mystic Hill Road, Mystic, died Sunday evening, Aug. 1, 2004, at the Mary Elizabeth Nursing Center where he had been a patient for the past week.

He was born in Norwich, Dec. 12, 1921, son of the late Andrew Henry and Anna Louise (Zimmerman) Jacobson.

He was a graduate of Norwich Free Academy with the class of 1939, and a Navy Veteran of World War II.

He married the former Louise Elsworth at the Central Baptist Church in Norwich on Dec. 13, 1942. She survives.

Mr. Jacobson had been employed at the U. S. Finishing Co. in Norwich for 10 years, and later at the Charles Pfizer Co. in Groton as a power house engineer, retiring from Pfizer after 27 years. He was a Master Mason, and a member of the Somerset – St. James Lodge #34 of Norwich. In his younger days, he had been a member of DeMolay and had served in various chairs.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Leroy Jacobson of Halifax, Va., and Leslie Jacobson of Woodstock, Ga.; one sister, Elsie Burr of Montville, Conn.; one brother, Russell Jacobson of Oakdale, Conn.; and one granddaughter, Christine Jacobson of Londonderry, Vt.

A memorial service will be held at the Central Baptist Church, 16 Elm St., Westerly, on Saturday, Aug. 7, at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Donald Jacobson may be sent to the Central Baptist Church, 16 Elm St., Westerly, RI 02891.

The Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.
In 1967, Charlie went sailing with his boss and became enamored with the sport. He purchased a 19-foot sailboat shortly thereafter and sailed and vacationed on it with his family of six for several years. He could not sit up straight in the cabin, so eventually he bought a 29-foot Bristol. Ultimately he worked his way up to his dream boat, a 35.5-foot Bristol and finally had headroom for his six-foot two-inch frame. Charlie sailed with his family to places like Nantucket, Cuttyhunk, Block Island, and Booth Bay Harbor, Maine.


The family will receive friends from 5 to 8 p.m. today, April 7, at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, S. Williams Ave., Mystic. Funeral services will follow at 11 a.m. on Friday at Bishop Seabury Church, 256 North Road, Groton. Burial will be held privately on Saturday in Brooklyn, N.Y.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mystic Lions Club, PO Box 94, Mystic CT 06355, or to Bishop Seabury Church, 256 North Road, Groton CT 06340.

Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com for directions to the funeral home and to share an online message of condolence.
Louise Jaeger

Mystic — Louise C. Jaeger died on March 3, 2014, peacefully at home surrounded by her family and lives now with her Savior, who loves her. She was 84.

Louise was an overcomer. Her mother was buried on her fourth birthday, and she circulated among relatives until her great-aunt and uncle gave her a permanent home in East Rockaway, Long Island, N.Y., so she could start kindergarten. Louise was an athlete who, despite being short and slight, was chosen for honors field hockey and basketball. She was quick, and she delighted in stealing the ball from her much bigger and stronger opponents. At East Rockaway High School, in 1947, she was paired, as the shortest girl, with Charles Jaeger, the tallest guy, to dance the Charleston in a school play. They married in 1951.

They moved to Milwaukee, Wis., as Charlie pursued his career. They attended Garfield Avenue Baptist Church and its adult Sunday school class. One of its members had a Down syndrome son whose care was exhausting his parents, who had two other children. Louise saw a pressing need for a home for mentally handicapped children.

While her children, all under the age of seven, slept, Louise wrote letters, invited speakers, and drummed up enthusiasm and support across the state to establish a home for this underserved population. Her Sunday school class to this day calls her “the sparkplug” who kept the idea alive and flourishing. It broke Louise’s heart when she had to move with Charlie to his next post in Pennsylvania just a month before the groundbreaking for the first cottage, which housed eight children.

She returned 50 years later, in 2011, to an exuberant welcome from the staff and residents.

Today, Shepherd’s Ministries is a $7 million per year Christian nonprofit that provides a loving home for more than 200 adults, each at his or her own level of independence. Shepherd’s recently added a college that teaches culinary, horticultural, and small animal veterinary assistant skills.

Louise and Charlie settled in Chatham, N.J., for 30 years. Through her church, she was faithfully active in many ministries, including one to residents at Greystone State Psychiatric Hospital. She loved those years of service, she said. She also provided hospitality to the many friends Louise and Charlie invited to enjoy a day of fresh air on their sailboat.

They retired to Mystic in 1992, and attended Bishop Seabury Church in Groton.
Louise continued to provide hospitality for years, inviting new people at church home for lunch. She was a humble soul with a servant’s heart who quietly made a huge difference in countless lives.

Louise is survived by her four children (two sons and two daughters), a daughter-in-law, two grandchildren, and a grandson-in-law, who all miss her keenly.

Her viewing is from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 6, at Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday at St. Luke’s Lutheran Church in Gales Ferry. Burial will be held privately.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in her name to Shepherd’s Ministries, 1805 15th Ave., Union Grove, WI 53182. Please visit shepherdministries.org for more information.
Janet Jakob

Stonington — Janet Louise (Pressler) Jakob, loving wife of Douglas Jakob, of 20 Circle Drive, Stonington, passed away peacefully on July 21, 2014, at her home, surrounded by her loving family members after a courageous 18-year battle with breast cancer.

Born in Middletown, Ohio, on Aug. 12, 1937, she was the daughter of the late Carlton and Norma Pressler of Stonington.

Doug and Janet attended Grace Fellowship Free Evangelical Church of North Stonington.

Janet moved to Stonington in 1975 and was employed at Mystic Color Lab, then by Benny's in Groton for 17 years, where she met Doug. Janet retired in 2003, and enjoyed her home, family, reading, gardening and anything related to nature. There were so many fond memories to share of the many trips around New England, especially Maine. Her favorite trip, however, was to Disney World.

Janet will be sadly missed by her children, Greg Casky (Debbie) of Hamilton, Ohio, CJ McCasky of Lexington, Ky., and her special stepdaughters, Jennifer Jakob-Spurr (Ken) and Amy Jakob. Janet is also survived by her sister, Carolyn Imbracio (Raymond); and her two brothers, David Pressler (Betsy) and Jim Pressler of Middletown, Ohio. Additional survivors include many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews of Ohio and Connecticut.

The family would like to thank the doctors and nurses of Lawrence + Memorial Cancer Center, especially Dr. Vanessa Johnson and her staff. Janet was at home with Doug during the final months under the direction of the Center for Hospice Care Southeast Connecticut.

A celebration of life will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday, July 25, at Grace Fellowship Church, Route 184, North Stonington.

In lieu of flowers, Janet and Doug ask that donations in Janet's name be made to the Center for Hospice Care SE CT, 227 Dunham St., Norwich, CT 06360.

Please visit www.byles.com to sign the guest book or share a memory.
Denis James

STONINGTON — Denis Noel Reynette James, 61, of Englewood, N.J., and a summer resident of Stonington, died June 26 at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital, New York City.

A native of Canada, he served with the Canadian Navy during World War II and worked for The Cunard Line for many years, before joining the research firm of Yankelovich, Skelley and White.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth Horner James; a son Carter R. James; and a brother, Ian R. James.

Memorial services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday at Calvary Episcopal Church, Stonington.

Walter White
Elizabeth Turner James

Stonington — Elizabeth Turner James, 90, died peacefully on Aug. 9, 2007, in Manchester, Vt.

She was born in Baltimore on Dec. 29, 1917, the youngest daughter of the late Colonel Frederick Cecil Horner and Miriam (Ranson) Horner, of Washington D.C., and Stonington.

She resided in Stonington during the summers and kept her main residence in Englewood, N.J., where she lived with her late husband, Denis N. R. James. In 2002, she moved to Vermont to recuperate from surgery and to be closer to her son, Carter Reynette James, and his wife, Susan Iselin Gilbert James, and their two children, Braxton I. James and Tracy Noelle James.

Elizabeth lived her life to the fullest and traveled widely. She spoke French and some Italian. She studied to become a literacy volunteer of America and considered education to be of primary importance for all people. She enjoyed membership in the Garden Club of New Jersey for many years. She loved the arts and music in particular and cherished her friends and their presence in her life.

Private memorial services will be held at a date to be announced by the rectors of the churches she attended.
Donald Jamieson

Mystic — Donald Coes

Jamieson passed away on

Thursday, Aug. 9, 2012, at

Lawrence & Memorial Hos-

pital.

He was born in Boston on

Sept. 27, 1925, son of Marjory

Norton and Bertrand S. Ja-

mieson. The family relocated
to Stonington Village in 1928,
where he and his brother
Norton attended the Borough
School. They moved to No-
ank, where he attended the
Noank School and graduated
from Fitch High School. He
attended Harvard University,
joining the Navy where he
served on a mine sweeper
in the South Pacific. Don
attended the Rhode Island
School of Design and gradu-
ated from the University of
Connecticut, where he also
received a master’s degree in
Elizabethan studies. He was
employed as a sales engineer
with Arwood Corp.

He married Eleanor Tatro
on Aug. 23, 1952, at Saint
Patrick’s Church and they
were soon to celebrate their
60th wedding anniversary.

He served as treasurer of the
Mystic Community Center
and as finance officer of the
Stonington Commission on
Aging. Don was known for his
quick wit and intelligence.

He was an avid reader and
a lifelong student of history
and Shakespeare as well as
a loyal Red Sox fan and jazz
aficionado.

Along with his wife, he is
survived by his daughters,
Adrienne Jamieson and her
husband, Patrick Chamorel,
of Washington, D.C., and Par-
is, and Shelley Sinclair and
her husband, Robert Sinclair,
of Leonia, N.J.

He was predeceased by his
brother, Norton Jamieson of
Brookline, Mass.

A Mass of remembrance
will be held at noon Thurs-
day, Aug. 16, at the Chapel of
Our Lady of the Assumption
at Saint Edmund’s on Enders
Island in Mystic. Donations in
memory of Don can be made
to Saint Edmund’s Retreat,
P.O. Box 399, Mystic, CT
06355 and to the Mystic &
Noank Library, 40 Library St.,
Mystic, CT 06355.

The Dinoto Funeral Home,
17 Pearl St., historic down-
town Mystic is assisting the
family.

To share a note of remem-
brance/condolence, please
visit www.dinotofuneral.
com.
Eleanor Rose Jamieson
Mystic - Eleanor Rose Tatro Jamieson passed away on Wednesday, Aug. 2, 2017, at her home in Mystic.

She was born in New London, on Dec. 17, 1929, the daughter of Marie Fritscher and William Henry Tatro. She was a proud lifelong resident of Mystic, where she attended Broadway School and graduated from Stonington High School. She married Donald Coes Jamieson, on Aug. 23, 1952, at Saint Patrick Church in Mystic. He predeceased her in 2012.

A real estate broker for many years, Eleanor worked for the Murphy Company and later for Cushman Real Estate before establishing her own firm, Mystic Realty at the Depot. For many years Eleanor also worked at the polls in Mystic.

She was a member of Saint Patrick's Church for 87 years, where she served as a Eucharistic minister. In addition, Eleanor volunteered for numerous organizations, including the Pequot Medical Center, the Sunshine Kitchen with the Groton Woman's Club, and the Mystic Woman's Club, for which she served as membership chair, as well as a regular volunteer at the club's thrift shop. She also devoted much time to the Child and Family Agency and their annual tag sale where she worked tirelessly for many days each year. The agency honored her in 2017 with the Volunteer of the Year Award for her many contributions.

Eleanor was known for her sense of style as well as being an ardent jazz fan and avid reader.

She is survived by her daughters, Adrienne Marie Jamieson and her husband, Patrick Chamorel, of Washington, D.C. and Paris, France and Shelley Sinclair and her husband, Robert Sinclair, of Leonia, N.J.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 7, at St. Patrick Church, 32 E. Main St., Mystic, followed by a reception at Saint Edmund's Retreat on Ender's Island in Mystic. Interment will be private.

Donations in memory of Eleanor may be made to Saint Edmund's Retreat, P.O. Box 399, Mystic, CT 06355 and the Mystic and Noank Library, 40 Library St., Mystic, CT 06355.

The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, is assisting the family.

To share a note of remembrance/condolence, please visit www.dinotofuneral.com.

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Virginia Jaques

Groton — Virginia V. Jaques, 90, formerly of Governor's Circle in Groton, passed away Wednesday, June 17, 2009, at Groton Regency.

She was born on Jan. 20, 1919, in Stonington, the daughter of Joseph and Mary (McDermott) Paul.

She had been married to John J. Jaques, who passed away on Dec. 29, 1971.

During World War II, Virginia worked as an outside machinist at Electric Boat Co., in Groton and for several years had served as a waitress at Sully's Café in Groton.

Her survivors include three daughters, Eleanor McCarthy of Waterford, Susan Edwards of Groton, Diane Jaques of Colorado; a son, David Jaques of North Stonington; a sister, Dorothy Hargrove of Groton; 15 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by a daughter, Harriet Burns, and six sons, Charles Ronald, Albert, Robert, Richard, and John Jaques.

Funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. this morning, Friday, at Byles-Groton Memorial Home, 310 Thames St. Her burial will follow in St. Mary Cemetery, New London. There will be a visiting hour from 10 to 11 a.m. prior to the service.
Charles Jarosz

Mystic — Charles James Jarosz, 53, entered God's eternal kingdom on Friday, March 23, 2012. He was a resident at Mystic Healthcare at the time of his passing.

Born on June 2, 1958, the son of Charles Gerald Jarosz and Olga (Rogalski) Jarosz, Charlie was a lifelong resident of Jersey City, N.J., before relocating to Mystic in September 2011. While in New Jersey, he was employed by Hudson City Savings Bank.

Charlie will be remembered by those who knew him as a kind and gentle soul with a silly sense of humor and a great enthusiasm for playing and teaching the game of chess. He enjoyed spending time with family and friends playing cards and Scrabble, and following his favorite football team, the Washington Redskins.

He is survived by his sister, Joyce Cumming and her husband, Russell P. Cumming Jr. of Mystic; as well as cousins Jayne Jaros of Levittown, N.Y., and Billy Jaros and his wife Marie, of Hicksville, N.Y.; and sister-in-law, Carol Jarosz of Benton, Maine.

He was predeceased by his parents and a brother, Robert Jarosz.

Charlie will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at a date and time to be announced.
Geraldine Jarrard
Pawcatuck — Geraldine V. (Lawrence) Jarrard, 69, beloved wife for 46 years of William H. Jarrard, of 8 River Crest Drive, Pawcatuck, died Oct. 17, 2004 in the Westerly Hospital.

Mrs. Jarrard was born in Stonington, daughter of the late Augustine and Avis (Hempstead) Lawrence. She had been employed as a clerk at the Westerly Post Office. She was a communicant of St. Michael the Archangel Church in Pawcatuck.

She was a member of the Ninigret Quilters, a member of the Mystic Chapter of the A.A.R.P., and of the Westerly Seniors. She was an avid bowler. She bowled in the Thursday morning league. She loved traveling, especially with her husband during his career in the Navy, and she enjoyed her flower garden.

Surviving in addition to her husband are two sons and daughter-in-law, Warren Jarrard of Farmington, N.H., and David Jarrard and his wife Cathy of Pawcatuck; two brothers, John Lawrence of Stonington and Augustine Lawrence of Pawcatuck; two sisters, Marie Sollenberge of North Stonington and Patricia Stanfield of Mystic; a grandson, Alexander Jarrard of Pawcatuck; and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by a brother, Ernest Lawrence.

Calling hours will be held Wednesday from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. Friends and relatives are invited to attend a Mass of Christian Burial, which will be celebrated Thursday at 10 a.m. at St. Michael the Archangel Church, 60 Liberty St., Pawcatuck. There will be no cortege from the funeral home. Interment will be in St. Michael Cemetery, Pawcatuck.
Allison Jarvis

Pawcatuck—Allison Ward Jarvis, 25, of Leadville, Colo., granddaughter of Thomas and Margaret Curtin of Pawcatuck, died Thursday at St. Anthony's Central Hospital in Denver.

She was born on Aug. 10, 1972, in Burlington, Vt., the daughter of Charles H. Jarvis of Monterey, Calif., and Marilyn C. Jarvis of Morrisville, Vt.

Miss Jarvis received a BA in business management from Bryant College in 1993. She was a manager at Down East Tile in Stowe, Vt., and later at Bonnie Tile in West Palm Beach, Fla. She moved to Leadville in October 1996, where she worked as a waitress.

She enjoyed hiking, mountain bike riding, camping, and spending time with her two Labrador retrievers.

In addition to her parents and maternal grandparents, Miss Jarvis is survived by two brothers, Sean Jarvis of Santa Cruz, Calif., and Joel Jarvis of Morrisville, Vt.; and a sister, Gretchen Jarvis.

She was preceded by her paternal grandparents.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the VFW, Morrisville, Vt.

Burial will be in Isle La Motte Cemetery in Vermont. Olinger Mortuary West 29th Ave. and Wadsworth Blvd., Wheat Ridge, Colo., is in charge of arrangements.
Patricia Jaye


Patricia was born in Boston on Sept. 13, 1944, the daughter of the late Tobias and Margaret (Gammey) Pedersen.

Patricia was a manager of Store 24 in Storrs, Conn., for over 10 years.

She will be sadly missed by her two sons, Greg Chabotte of Blairsville, Ga., and Jeff Chabotte of Missouri. She is also survived by a sister, Linda Larson of Bristol, R.I.; a brother, Thomas Pedersen of Norwich; and two grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held on Tuesday at 1 p.m. in the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly. There are no calling hours. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 102454, Atlanta, GA 30388-2454.
Beatrice Jeckel

Mystic — Beatrice B. Jeckel, 88, of 37 School St., died Friday at Pendleton Convalescent Center after a long illness.

She was born on May 7, 1909, in Pawcatuck, the daughter of Emil and Harriet Ray Brunk.""}

She married the late William Carl Jeckel on June 29, 1929, in Mystic.

Prior to her marriage, she lived in Pawcatuck and Jamestown, R.I. She ultimately returned to Mystic, where she remained for the duration of her life. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Mystic.

During World War II, she worked for Sonoco Products. She worked for 30 years at R.C. Davey’s Newsstand and for 10 years at the Strand Theater. Both of these Mystic businesses were destroyed in a fire in 1960. She worked for several years after that at Janiero’s Variety Store.

She enjoyed knitting, rug braiding, and rug hooking. Her room-sized braided rugs, hooked rugs and pictorial wall hangings are spread through the homes of family and friends in Tennessee, Minnesota, and New Hampshire.

During the years after her retirement, she provided transportation services to many elderly friends and family members until she was no longer able to drive.

Mrs. Jeckel is survived by two sons, William Carl Jeckel of Ledyard and Phillip E. Jeckel of Mystic; a sister, Lydia Brunk Avery of Old Mystic; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she was predeceased by a brother, Louis Ray Brunka.

A funeral service will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic. Calling hours are one hour prior to the service. Burial will be at Elm Grove Cemetery in Mystic.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Stonington Visiting Nurse Association or to the First United Methodist Church of Mystic.
Obituaries

James M. Jeffcoat

James Mark Jeffcoat, 60, of Togwynk Road, Stonington, died unexpectedly Monday, Jan. 18, 1999, at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital, New London, after being stricken at home.

He was born in Luverne, Ala., June 26, 1938, a son of the late Morgan and Winnie (Butts) Jeffcoat. He married Roxanne Waddle in Los Angeles, on July 19, 1961.

Mr. Jeffcoat had been in the Navy for more than 22 years, serving as a submarine officer, radioman, electronics technician, warrant officer and commissioned officer.

He had served at numerous billets aboard submarines, at submarine support facilities and in submarine staffs including the staff of the Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet; Commander Submarine Squadron 15 and Commander Submarine Squadron 16.

Mr. Jeffcoat had developed technical and training documentation for all new submarine communication over the past 20 years, and was a certified instructor and taught advanced communication and electronics courses at the Navy Submarine School in Groton.

While on active duty, he received the Navy Commendation Medal with Gold Star and the Navy Achievement Medal with Gold Star.

Mr. Jeffcoat received a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the Naval Post Graduate School and a master's degree in management from Pepperdine University. He had also completed various graduate level computer courses from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

He was vice president at Sonalysts Inc. from 1984 to 1997 and a principal analyst there from 1978 to 1997. While there he led a group of 25 people conducting analyses of Navy command, control, communications and intelligence systems in numerous fleet exercises in the Atlantic, Pacific and Mediterranean. He also supported communications programs for the Naval Undersea Warfare Center.

Mr. Jeffcoat was a senior member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers and a member and former treasurer of the Ledyard Sportsmen's Club.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Stephen M. Jeffcoat and Shan Michael Jeffcoat, both of Stonington; and a brother, Marlin Jeffcoat of Birmingham, Ala.

A memorial service will be held Thursday evening in the Mystic Funeral Home Inc., Route 1, Mystic. Friends may gather from 6 to 8 p.m.

Memorial gifts may be made to Habitat for Humanity of Southeastern Connecticut, 22 Meridian St., New London, CT 06320.
James Jeffcoat

STONINGTON — James Mark Jeffcoat, 60, of Taugwok Road, died Monday, Jan. 18, at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital, New London, after being stricken at home.

He was born June 26, 1938, in Laverne, Ala., the son of the late Morgan and Winnie Butts Jeffcoat. He married Roxanne Waddle in Los Angeles, Calif., on July 19, 1961.

Mr. Jeffcoat spent more than 22 years in the Navy as a submarine radiotelegrapher-electrician, electronics technician, warrant officer, and commissioned officer. He served in many billets aboard submarines, at submarine support facilities, and in submarine staffs, including the staffs of the Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, Commander Submarine Squadron 16. He also developed technical and training documentation for all new submarine communication systems over the past 20 years. A certified instructor, he taught advanced communications and electronics courses at the Naval Submarine School, Groton. While on active duty, he received the Navy Commendation Medal, the Navy Achievement Medal, both with gold stars.

Mr. Jeffcoat received a bachelor’s degree in electrical engineering from the Naval Postgraduate School, and a master’s degree in management from Pepperdine University. He completed various graduate level computer courses from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

He was a captain at Sonalysts Inc. from 1984-97, and a principal analyst at Sonalysts from 1978-1997. While at that company, Mr. Jeffcoat led a group of 25 people that conducted analyses of Navy Command, Control Communications and Intelligence Systems in many major fleet exercises in the Atlantic, Pacific, and Mediterranean. He supported communication programs for the Naval Undersea Warfare Center.

He was a member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers. He was a member and former treasurer of the Ledyard Sportsmen’s Club.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Jeffcoat is survived by two sons, Stephen M. Jeffcoat and Shan Michael Jeffcoat, both of Stonington; and a brother, Martin Jeffcoat of Birmingham, Ala.

Services were this evening, 6-8 p.m. at Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1.

Gifts in Mr. Jeffcoat’s memory may be made to Habitat for Humanity of Southeastern Connecticut, 22 Mentor St., New London, 06320.
Shan Jeffcoat

Stonington — Shan Michael Jeffcoat, 39, of Taugwong Road, Stonington, died on Friday, April 2, 2004, at his home after a lengthy illness.

He was born in Grington on Oct. 30, 1964, son of Roxanne Waddle Jeffcoat of Stonington and the late James M. Jeffcoat.

He was a graduate of Ledyard High School and attended Eastern Connecticut State University. He had been employed at the United Builders Lumber Co. in Westerly, the A.D. Tripp Lumber Co. and most recently at Cliff's Carpet One in Waterford. His hobbies included fishing and restoration of old cars. His current project was an older Volvo.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his paternal grandmother, Elizabeth Doyle of Nancy, Ky.; a son, Cody Jeffcoat of Danielson; and a brother, Stephen M. Jeffcoat of Stonington.

Private funeral services will be held at the convenience of the family. Burial will be in Luverne, Ala., with his father.

Contributions may be made in his memory to the Westerly Warm Shelter, 56 Spruce St., Westerly RI 02891.

The Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic is in charge of the arrangements.
Alexander Jeffrey Jr.
Pawcatuck — Alexander Gordon Jeffrey Jr., 89, of Jeffrey Road, Pawcatuck, was husband of late Mildred (Mellow) Jeffrey, died May 28, 2004, in The Westerly Hospital.

Mr. Jeffrey was born in Pawcatuck, son of late Alexander G. Jeffrey Sr. and Sarah (Knight) Jeffrey. He had been employed as pipefitter at Electric Boat in Groton for 30 years. He was a member of Third Baptist Church in North Stonington, a member of Connecticope State and Rhode Island Tree Growers Association, a member of Electric Boat Management Club, a founding member of Southeastern New England Senior Golf Association, a member of Elm Ridge Golf Club, and a member of both the National Christmas Tree Association and Connecticut Christmas Tree Growers Association.

He is survived by two daughters, Jacqueline Burgess and husband of Pawcatuck and Susan Blaisdell and husband of Groton, five grandchildren, James O'Rourke and husband of Long Island, N.Y., Jody Peck and husband Cliff of Westport Island, Maine, Jeffrey Gordon Burgess and wife Rachel of Griswold, Conn., and Sarah and Adam Blaisdell of Groton; six great-grandchildren, Brianna, Megan, and Kevin O'Rourke, Alexa Peck and Madelyn and Ashley Burgess.

Calling hours will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday in Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly R.I. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Interment will be in River View Cemetery, Westerly.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to The Westerly Public Library Children's Room, Broad St., Westerly RI 02891.
Donald O. Jeffrey Sr.

Donald O. Jeffrey Sr. passed away at Pendleton, Mystic, on Feb. 1, 2011, at the age of 94. He was the husband of 68 years to the late Rose (Longo) Jeffrey.

Born in Pawcatuck on the Jeffrey Farm, he was the son of the late Alexander G. and Sadie (Knight) Jeffrey.

Donald worked as a bulldozer operator on the Alaskan Pipeline and in Cuba during the early 1940s. He later began the Jeffrey Excavating Contracting company, until his retirement, and made the way for many local roads and developments in our town.

Donald was a member of the Pawcatuck Lions Club, the Stonington Republican Town Committee, and he was instrumental in the formation of the first Pawcatuck Little League Field.

He was known for his keen wit and always had a good joke to share at the many family gatherings. Donald was a "dog's best friend," enjoying their presence most of his life.

He is survived by a son, Donald O. Jeffrey Jr. of St. Petersburg, Fla.; a daughter, Jean (Jeffrey) Wilcox of Pawcatuck; a brother, James Jeffrey of Stonington; two granddaughters; five great grandchildren; and his best "Buddy" Joe C.

Visiting hours are omitted. A graveside committal service will be held on Monday at 2:30 p.m. at River Bend Cemetery, 117 Beach St., Westerly. For online condolences, go to www.gaffneydolanfuneral-home.com.
Thursday, April 25, 2013

James Jeffrey

Stonington — James P. Jeffrey, 92, beloved husband of Kathleen (Cronin) Jeffrey, of Wheeler Road, Stonington, passed away at his home on Wednesday, April 24, 2013.

Born in Pawcatuck, he was a son of the late Alexander G. and Sarah Jeffrey. A career veteran of the U.S. Air Force, James was a lieutenant colonel who worked as a navigator until his retirement in 1967. He formerly held the position of a zoning officer in Stonington and was also the owner/operator of The Pequot Plant Farm in Stonington.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his son, Daniel A. Jeffrey of Stonington; daughters Audrey J. Kime of Sherman, Wendy J. Dunlop of Seymour, Kathleen Brown-Gilbertie of Stonington and Margaret Hansen of Framingham, Mass. He will also be sadly missed by his 15 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

James was predeceased by three brothers, Gordon, Donald and Albert; as well as two sisters, Sylvia Rescigno and Barbara Page.

Visiting hours will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday at Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. A funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday, in the funeral home. Burial with full military honors will follow at River Bend Cemetery, Westerly.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Beacon Hospice, 12 Roosevelt Ave., Mystic, CT 06355, in his memory.

For online condolences, please go to www.gaffneydolanfuneralhome.com.
OBITUARIES

Richard Jeffery

North Stonington - Richard Jeffery, 71, of Boulder Farm in North Stonington, a New York City freelance photographer whose still life work has been published in magazines and books for 40 years, died Wednesday at his home.

He was born on March 17, 1929, in Detroit, Mich., the son of Alfred and Mildred Kohl Jeffery.

He was the husband of Madeline Jeffery.

Mr. Jeffery graduated from Bucknell University.

After moving to New York City in the 1950's, he became known in the world of editorial and advertising photography. His talent was recognized early on by Robert Cato, the designer and artist, and Carmen Schiavone, the fashion photographer. He received assignments from major advertising clients as well as editorial work for publications such as The New York Times Magazine and Entertainment Sections, House and Garden, House Beautiful, American Heritage, Country Living and Sports Illustrated.

His favorite book assignments were for Christopher Iodone's "Glorious Foods", "Outdoor Entertaining" and "Outdoor Pleasures" with Elizabeth Sahatjian, and the Time-Life Cook Book Series. In his food photography, Mr. Jeffery worked with many of the great master chefs, Craig Claiborne, James Beard, Jacques Pepin, Dione Lucas, and Helen McCully.

In 1970, he moved with his family to Boulder Farm in North Stonington. Mr. Jeffery began to photograph many assignments at his farm.

In 1967, he and his wife, Madeline, helped found the Citizens Land Alliance in North Stonington. Since 1993, they had been part of the North Stonington No Annexation Group.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Dr. Jonathan Jeffery of the North Stonington Veterinarian Clinic.

There will be no funeral or memorial service, in keeping with Mr. Jeffery's wishes.

Memorial donations may be made to The North Stonington Citizens Alliance Open Land Fund, Box 327, North Stonington 06359 or the Religious Society of Friends (Quaker), 57 Elm St., Westerly 02891.

The Difmarco Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.
Rose A. (Longo) Jeffrey, of Jeffrey Road, Pawcatuck, died peacefully on Saturday, Nov. 17, 2007 at the Pendleton in Mystic.

She was the beloved wife of Donald O. Jeffrey Sr. for 68 years. In her younger years, she had been employed in retail sales at the former W.T. Grant Co. in Westerly.

Rose loved to play board games with her grand and great-grandchildren and was very accomplished at crochet. An avid bingo player and Red Sox fan, she thoroughly enjoyed spending quality time with her entire family.

In addition to her loving husband, she leaves one son, Donald O. Jeffrey Jr. of St. Petersburg, Fla.; and one daughter, Jean E. (Jeffrey) Wilcox and her companion Joe Cozzaglio of Pawcatuck. Rose is also survived by two granddaughters, Krista Borshier and her husband Aaron, and Ashley Wilcox; four great-grandchildren, Alexis, Macy, Aiden and Cameron; and several nieces and nephews. She was pre-deceased by one brother, Frank Longo; and two sisters, Ida Haack and Peggy Jones.

Funeral services will be held at the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly on Tuesday at 11 a.m. and burial will follow in River Bend Cemetery. There are no visiting hours.
Tellerva Jenkins

Mystic — Tellerva L. Jenkins, 94, of 475 High St., Mystic,formerly of New London,passed away March 22, 2012,at Mystic Manor.

She was born on Dec. 10, 1917, in Canton, the daughter of John E. and Elizabeth (Ko-vanen) Luntta.

Mrs. Jenkins served as a WAVE during World War II and had, for many years, worked in retail sales at the former Grant's Department Store. She was also an avid walker.

Her survivors include a daughter, Linnea L. Jenkins of Mystic; a son, Michael J. Jenkins of Washington, D.C.; her sister, Viola Vienot of Torrington; and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside service in Elm Grove Cemetery will be held privately.

Her family wishes to sincerely thank Mystic Manor for the compassionate and loving care they gave to Mrs. Jenkins and respectfully request that donations in her memory be directed to Mystic Manor Patient Recreation Fund, 475 High St., Mystic, CT 06355.

Please visit www.byles.com for the family's online registry.
Mildred Jennings

Stonington — Mildred (Murray) Jennings, 79, of Bradley St., Stonington, died unexpectedly Thursday, Sept. 25, at the Westerly Hospital.

She was born in Pawtucket, R.I., on July 22, 1924, daughter of Margaret Hayman Murray and step-daughter of Hugh McCormick.

She married William A. Jennings in Pawtucket on Jan. 8, 1949. He survives.

Mrs. Jennings had been employed as the kitchen manager at the Deans Mill School in Stonington for 22 years prior to her retirement. She was a communicant of St. Mary Church in Stonington and was a former member of the Daughters of Isabella.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two sons, William A. Jennings Jr. of Bradford, R.I., and Thomas Jennings of Westerly.

The funeral will assemble at 9:15 a.m. Monday at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, and proceed to a 10 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial at St. Mary Church, Stonington.

Burial will be in Stonington Cemetery.

Relatives and friends may call at the funeral home from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her memory to St. Mary Church, 95 Main Street, Stonington, CT 06378.

Mildred Jennings

Mildred (Murray) Jennings, 79, of Bradley Street, Stonington, died unexpectedly Thursday, Sept. 25, 2003, at the Westerly Hospital.

She was born in Pawtucket July 22, 1924, daughter of Margaret Hayman Murray and step-daughter of Hugh McCormick.

She married William A. Jennings in Pawtucket on Jan. 8, 1949. He survives.

Mrs. Jennings had been employed as the kitchen manager at the Deans Mill School in Stonington for 22 years prior to her retirement.

She was a communicant of St. Mary Church in Stonington and was a former member of the Daughters of Isabella.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two sons, William A. Jennings Jr. of Bradford and Thomas Jennings of Westerly.

The funeral will be held from the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, on Monday at 9:15 a.m. with a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Mary Church, Stonington, at 10 a.m. Burial will be in Stonington Cemetery. Relatives and friends may call at the funeral home on Sunday from 5 to 7 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her memory to St. Mary Church, 95 Main St., Stonington, CT 06378.
William Jennings Sr.

Westerly — William A. Jennings Sr., 85, a recent resident of Apple Rehab Clipper in Westerly, formerly of Stonington, passed away Saturday, Sept. 28, 2013, at The Westerly Hospital.

Born in Providence, he was the son of the late William and Catherine (Maloney) Jennings.

Bill enlisted with the U.S. Navy serving during World War II aboard numerous vessels and was honorably discharged in 1945. He retired from the Town of Stonington in 1993 after many years of service.

Bill was a member of Westerly-Pawcatuck Friendly Sons of St. Patrick and was proud of his Irish heritage. He was a communicant of St. Mary's Church in Stonington and the Knights of Columbus Nina Council. He had many creative talents and enjoyed making beautifully decorated cakes and woodworking projects for his family and friends. He will be remembered for his kind and generous heart.

He is survived by his two sons, William A. Jennings Jr. and his wife, Jill, and Thomas Jennings, all of Rhode Island; a brother, John Jennings of Rhode Island; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

He was predeceased by his beloved wife, Mildred Jennings, in 2003, and his siblings Francis, Gerard and Thomas Jennings and Cecelia White.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 3, at St. Mary's Church, 95 Main St., Stonington. Burial will follow with full military honors at Stonington Cemetery, North Main Street.

There are no calling hours.

Memorial donations may be made to the Apple Rehab Clipper Recreation Fund, 101 Post Road, Westerly, RI 02891.

Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online message of condolence.
Barbara Neff Jensen, 81
Mystic resident wrote two books about life in the village

BY JOHN FOLEY
Day Staff Writer

Mystic — Barbara Neff Jensen, of Thomas Street, who poured her wealth of experience as a lifelong resident of Mystic into two books about the village, died Tuesday at South Strand Ambulatory Care Center, Myrtle Beach, S.C. She was 81.

Mrs. Jensen wrote "Mystic — Memories of a Native," published in 1989, and "Mystic Families — More Memories of a Native," 1990. The first consisted of slices of Mystic life through the decades while the second was an appreciation of the closeness that characterizes many of the village's established families.

Mrs. Jensen loved Mystic and its people. Speaking of the eight families mentioned in "Mystic Families — More Memories of a Native," she said she could have turned to all of them "with utter trust" in her childhood.

Mrs. Jensen, a fifth generation Mystic native, was a sprightly person with a quick wit, friendly manner and a seemingly endless supply of stories about Mystic in an earlier era.

In "Mystic — Memories of a Native," she recalled when students during the Great Depression of the 1930s could not attend high school because they could not afford bus fare, viewing silent movies at the old Strand Theater, and when it took her five weeks to recuperate from an infection that could have been cured quickly with penicillin, which was reserved for the armed forces.

Mrs. Jensen's first book began as remembrances she wrote to pass on to her grandchildren. In an interview in 1968, she said she wanted them to know what it was like growing up during the Depression and to work and live in Mystic for a lifetime.

"I was talking to my grandchildren, and it dawned on me I lived before electric refrigerators," she said.

She noted there was no ice cream at home, no wash and wear clothing, but now, "It's a very different world for them."

Mrs. Jensen was born and raised on High Street, in the same house where her mother was born. She attended Mystic Academy School and Fitch Senior High School.

She was an insurance agent in the Mystic and Stonington area for many years. After she retired from the insurance field, she operated Business Service Associates, a residential bookkeeping and financial management service. She retired completely in the early 1980s.

Mrs. Jensen was a charter member and the first life member of the Mystic River Historical Society, serving as its treasurer in its early years; a member of the Mystic Women's Club; an associate member of the board of Mystic Community Center; a founding member and an officer of the Alzheimer's Support Group of Southeastern Connecticut; and a member of United Methodist Church, Mystic, where she was secretary for many years.

She was a civilian information officer for the Ground Observer Air Defense during World War II, founder of the reorganized Mystic Flag Committee, and secretary the year the pole was replaced, and a member of the board of the Lower Mystic Cemetery.

She was born on May 16, 1918, in Mystic, the daughter of Albert and Cassie Myers Neff. She and Ole Peter Jensen were married on Oct. 5, 1940, in Mystic. He died May 6, 1995.

Mrs. Jensen is survived by two granddaughters, Kimberly Jensen of Mystic and Heather Jost of New London; and her companion, Dana Dart. She was predeceased by a son, Alan B. Jensen, on March 3, 1998.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Jan. 20, at United Methodist Church, Mystic. Private burial will be in Elm Grove Cemetery.

There are no calling hours.

Gifts in memory of Mrs. Jensen can be made to United Methodist Church, Box 295, Mystic, 06355, or to Mystic River Historical Society, 74 High St., Mystic, 06355.

Byles-Groton Memorial Home, 310 Thames St., Groton, is in charge of arrangements.
Barbara N. Jensen

Barbara Neff Jensen, 81, of Thomas Street, Mystic, died Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2000, at South Strand Ambulatory Care Center, Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Born in Mystic, May 16, 1918, a daughter of the late Albert and Cassie (Myers) Neff, she was born and raised on High Street in the same house her mother had been born. She married Ole Peter Jensen on Oct. 5, 1940, in Mystic. He died May 6, 1988.

Mrs. Jensen, a fifth generation Mystic native, wrote two books, "Mystic - Memories of a Native," published in 1989, which consisted of slices of Mystic life through the decades, and was intended as remembrances she wanted to pass on to her grandchildren. "Mystic Families - More Memories of a Native," published in 1990, featured eight families and was an appreciation of the closeness that characterized many of the village's established families.

Mrs. Jensen attended Mystic Academy School and Robert E. Fitch Senior High School, Groton.

She worked as an insurance agent in the Mystic and Stonington area for many years before retiring. She later operated Business Service Associates, a residential bookkeeping and financial management service. She retired completely in the early 1980s.

Mrs. Jensen was a charter member and the first life member of the Mystic River Historical Society, serving as treasurer in its early years; a member of the Mystic Women's Club; an associate member of the Mystic Community Center; a founding member of the Alzheimer's Support Group of Southeastern Connecticut; and a member of the United Methodist Church in Mystic, where she served as secretary for many years.

During World War II, she was a civilian information officer for the Ground Observer Air Defense. She was the founder of the reorganized Mystic Flag Committee, and secretary the year the pole was replaced. She was also a member of the board of the Lower Mystic Cemetery Association.

Mrs. Jensen is survived by two granddaughters, Kimberly Jensen of Mystic and Heather Jost of New London; and her companion, Dana Dart.

She was predeceased by a son, Alan R. Jensen on March 3, 1998.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Jan. 29, in the United Methodist Church, Mystic. Private burial will be in Elm Grove Cemetery, Mystic. There are no calling hours. The Byles-Groton Memorial Home, 310 Thames St., Groton, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial gifts may be made to the United Methodist Church, Box 205, Mystic, CT 06355, or to the Mystic River Historical Society, 74 High St., Mystic, CT 06355.
Jensen, Neff leave legacy of devotion to Mystic

By Marilyn Comrie

MYSTIC — The Neff family lost two special members last week and Mystic lost two dear friends.

Barbara Neff Jensen, 81, of Thomas Street, died Jan. 18, and her nephew, Richard A. Neff, 68, who owned and operated Mystic Sporting Goods downtown for years, died Jan. 19.

Nephew and aunt were devoted to each other, and each had a special devotion to the village where their family roots went back six generations.

Jensen and Neff were people who made things happen; she in things historic in the village, and he in all things sports.

"Barbara and Dick both had the same generosity, a great feeling for others."

Groton Town Historian Carol W. Kimball said, "They were always helping someone, always reaching out to help others."

Former Mystic Community Center Director Roger Quesnel recalled that "Dick Neff was the first person I met when I came to Mystic. I always considered him a friend and a great guy."

Kimball, a contemporary and close friend of Jensen’s, described her as "very resourceful and very devoted to patriotic causes."

She was a longtime member of the Anna Warner Bailey Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and for years chaired its Good Citizenship committee. As such, she visited local high schools each year about the award that committee presented annually, and orga-
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year about the award that committee presented annually, and organized teas and luncheons to honor recipients and their families.

Jensen also was a charter member of the Mystic River Historical Society, and served as the organization's treasurer in its early years. Kimball recalled that Jensen was a driving force in creating the society, believing that a place as historic as Mystic needed to preserve its history.

When Mystic's flagpole needed refurbishing, Jensen was at the heart of the committee that accomplished that project. And she was on hand each June 14 for the special Flag Day ceremonies held at the towering wooden pole downtown.

When the Lower Mystic Cemetery, where her grandparents and many prominent Mystic families are buried, fell into disrepair, Jensen helped revive a cemetery association and board of directors to repair and maintain the graveyard on Route 1. She was a member of the board of directors at the time of her death.

When her husband, Ole, developed Alzheimer's disease, Jensen became a founding member and officer of the Alzheimer's Support Group of Southern Connecticut. And when her son and only child, Allen, was diagnosed with a terminal illness, Jensen relied on her Yankee stoicism to soldier on and see her through.

"Even when Allen was so sick, she kept her chin up," Kimball said. "I considered her a good friend, and I'm going to miss talking with her and enjoying life with her."

"Barbara was enthusiastic about everything she did," Kimball said. "She would come up with original and clever ideas. Mystic has lost a true friend."

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"Barbara and Dick were two people who really had a sincere feeling for Mystic and wanted only the best for it."

— Roger Quesnel

Jensen also wrote two books about Mystic, Mystic: Memories of a Native and Mystic Families — More Memories of a Native, both published by the Groton Public Library. The books were chatty recollections of her childhood.

Jensen and Dick Neff had a deep interest in the Mystic Community Center, Quesnel said.

Jensen was an associated member of the center's board of directors, and Neff, at different times, served as its president and vice president.

"Barbara offered her expertise from working at Grover Insurance in running the center's office," Quesnel said. "She really helped us organize the office more."

Jensen's husband, Ole, a carpenter, did a lot of work when the new center opened on Mason's Island Road.

Local sports and the community center were two of Dick Neff's loves. A football player in high school and college, Neff was an avid sports fan his whole life.

He was well-known in the community and a fixture downtown during the years he ran the sporting goods store. Early on, his mother, Harriet, worked in the store with him. Mystic Sporting Goods was a place where people enjoyed just dropping in to chitchat.

The West Main Street store supplied athletic equipment to school systems and teams throughout the region. Neff had a special love of youth sports, especially the Mystic Little League and Mystic Babe Ruth League. He sponsored local teams for years.

Quesnel recalled that Neff anonymously paid to renovate the Williams Beach field back to a baseball field.

"He called me one day and..."
said someone wanted to pay to convert the field back,” Quesnel said.

“The job was done professionally,” Quesnel said. “That was unusual because the center always did things with volunteers” to keep the building and grounds in shape. The renovation included brand new dugouts and a clay infield.

Years later, Quesnel discovered that Neff had been the field’s benefactor.

“Dick always felt concerned about Mystic,” Quesnel said. “I consider him one of the pillars of the community.”

Neff was buried Monday in Elm Grove Cemetery. A memorial service for Jensen is scheduled for Saturday at the United Methodist Church on Willow Street.

“Barbara and Dick were two people who really had a sincere feeling for Mystic and wanted only the best for it,” Quesnel said. “They both have left a legacy.”
OBITUARIES

May 4, 2012

Betty Jerome

Stonington — Betty (Hannon) Jerome, 85, passed away peacefully at home, her family by her side, in the late afternoon of Wednesday, April 11, 2012.

She had been diagnosed with cancer in January 2011, and though the disease could not be eradicated, she remained active and upbeat until about three weeks before her death. She was entirely free of pain throughout her illness. Betty was born at home in New Britain on Feb. 27, 1926, the first daughter of Thor and Jennie Hannon. The family soon after moved to Bristol and there Betty received her education.

Her father Thor, an electrical engineer, in concert with Burt Nelson, founded the Superior Electric Co. The company was on the cutting edge of technology at the time and thrived, and the family's circumstances following the Depression — Betty never forgot the hardships of that era — improved to such an extent that Betty was able to enroll in Smith College. She graduated in 1947 with a degree in fine arts and languages.

Betty's ambition was to become a singer of German Lieder. Throughout her life she sang and loved music. However, she decisively changed direction. After leaving Smith, Betty took a summer course in premed science and was accepted at the Women's Medical College of Pennsylvania. She received her M.D. in 1952, and specialized in pediatrics. During her residencies at Albany and Hartford hospitals, Betty met Otto Steinmayer Jr., also a doctor. They married in 1954 and settled in Bristol.

Betty devoted herself the next few years to building a family. Her first son, Otto III, was born in 1956. Karl followed in 1957, and William in 1958. Once her boys had entered school, Betty turned again to medicine. She never had a practice of her own; instead, she dedicated her skills to part-time public service, to the Well Child Clinic and as consultant to the Visiting Nurse Association.

In 1975 Betty lost her husband Otto, who died tragically, by his own hand. Two years later, she married William B. Jerome of Guilford.

At the same time she was nominated to the board of directors of Superior Electric and served until 1989, when she oversaw SECO's acquisition by DANA.

Betty and Bill bought a piece of land in rural Killingworth, began building a house, and moved there in 1979. In Killingworth, Betty enjoyed the happiest years of her life. Her interests were many, ranging from boating to gardening to needlework and tennis. She and her husband were enthusiastic volunteers with Mystic Seaport's Pilots Program.

While Betty had by this time given up even volunteer medical work, she kept herself informed of medical advances and gave advice and simple care to her husband and extended family.

Betty had to endure her second most painful loss in 2002 when her son Karl died suddenly and unexpectedly. She and her husband sold the house in Killingworth and moved in 2004 to Stonington, to be near their children, and continued with their activities as before, at a slower pace.

Betty is survived by her husband, Bill; and a numerous extended family, her two sons, Otto and William; her stepchildren, Bill C., Kathy, Lynn, Anne, and Susan Jerome; her daughters-in-law, Nusi Baki and Lynn Marie Steinmayer; three grandchildren, Samuel Mada Otto, Christoph Thor and Lilian Abigail Steinmayer; and her nieces, Susan Burton-Kelly and Jennifer Burton-Bevee.

Her sister, Barbara Hannon Burton, predeceased Betty in 1986.

Betty requested to be cremated. Betty's family will greet relatives and friends for a celebration of her life from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday, April 15, at The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., historic downtown Mystic.

Donations in Betty's memory may be made to the American Cancer Society.

For information, directions, or to share a message of remembrance or condolence with Betty's family, please visit www.dinotofuneral.com.
William Jerome

Stonington — William Barker Jerome, 94, passed away at home in Stonington on Monday, Aug. 28, 2017, after a long decline, with family at his side.

William was born on May 1, 1923, in New Jersey, the only child of William Frederick and Emma Jane (Barker) Jerome. He grew up in New Jersey and New York before attending Clarkson University in Potsdam, N.Y. World War II interrupted his undergraduate years when William served in the Army Corps of Engineers. After the war, he graduated from Clarkson and then attended Yale University, receiving a master's degree in civil engineering.

William married Frances V. (Wagner) Jerome, in Scarsdale, N.Y., on April 14, 1951. They went on to raise five children in Guilford. Following their divorce, he married Betty H. Steinmayer of Bristol. Together they built a house in Killingworth and lived there for over 20 years. In 2004, Bill and Betty made their final move to Stonington.

Bill is survived by his five children, William C. Jerome of Ballston Lake, N.Y.; Katherine J. Jerome of New Hampshire; Evelyn J. Slik of Boylston, Mass.; M. Anne Jerome of New London; and Susan J. Jerome of Mystic; as well as two stepsons, Otto C. Steinmayer of Lundu, Malaysia, and William T. Steinmayer of Mystic.

He was predeceased by his wife, Betty; his grandson, Abram J. Viano; and his stepson, Karl F. Steinmayer.

Bill lived a full and productive life. With an engineer's mind he designed and built the house in Killingworth. From his maternal grandfather he inherited a passion for the sea and sailing. While raising his family in Guilford, Bill was a leader for Boy Scout Troop 474. He and Betty volunteered at Mystic Seaport Museum for many years, where Bill enjoyed working on the marine engines. He was particularly proud of being a member at Mystic Seaport for over 50 years. He and Betty traveled extensively, even to the South Pole, and when age made travel less easy they retired to a quiet life in Stonington to be closer to family.

Bill's family will greet friends from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, at The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic.

Donations may be made in Bill's name to Mystic Seaport Museum or the charity of your choice.
Beatrice D. Jette, 87
Communicant of St. Patrick Church

MYSTIC — Beatrice Dufresne Jette, 87, of Borodell Avenue, died Sunday, April 6, at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital in New London.

She was born in Worcester, Mass., Nov. 16, 1909, the daughter of John Henry and Lydia Blew Dufresne. She married Edwin L. Jette on June 6, 1936. Mr. Dufresne died May 25, 1960.

Mrs. Jette was a Mystic resident for many years. She worked as a hairdresser, and more recently as a hostess at Seamen’s Inne and Flood Tide Restaurant, both of Mystic. She was a communicant of St. Patrick Church in Mystic.

Mrs. Jette is survived by her son, Edwin L. Jette Jr. of Mystic; one sister, Florence Senecal of Venice, Fla.; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Wednesday, April 9, at St. Patrick Church, Mystic. Burial is in St. Patrick Cemetery, Old Mystic. The Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, was in charge of arrangements.

Contributions in Mrs. Jette’s memory may be made to Alzheimer’s Disease Research, 2911 Dixwell Ave., Suite 104, Hamden, 06518.
Rosemary (Corbett) Jette

Rosemary (Corbett) Jette, 71, of Robin Street, Pawcatuck, died peacefully on June 26, 2008 in The Westerly Hospital after a long battle with breast cancer.

Born in Bath, Maine, she was the daughter of the late Henry Corbett and Marion (Lennon) Corbett.


She graduated from St. Michael's High School in Florence, Mass., in 1957. After graduation, Rosemary worked in the medical records office at Cooley Dickinson Hospital. She was also employed at Electric Boat, Monsanto, and retired from Wal-Mart.

One of Rosemary’s proudest accomplishments was graduating from the Sawyer School of Business in 1993. She enjoyed her home and loved her cats.

She will be sadly missed by her longtime companion, John Medina; two daughters, Dineen and Mary Rose and her husband Jonathan Johnson, along with three grandchildren. She also leaves a sister, Mary Karen Mahoney of Oak Harbor, Wash.

She was predeceased by her ex-husband, Roger Jette; and by a brother, William Corbett.

Calling hours are respectfully omitted. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Mass of Christian Burial to be celebrated Tuesday, July 1 at 10 a.m. in the Immaculate Conception Church, 111 High St., Westerly. Burial will be private. Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly, is in charge of the arrangements.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Rosemary’s memory be made to the National Breast Cancer Foundation at www.nationalbreastcancer.org.

SUN-JUNE 29, 2008
Atlantic Beach, Fla. — Alice (Metcalf) Jewett, 102, formerly of Stonington, passed away at her home in Atlantic Beach on Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2015.

She was born in Whitensville, Mass., on July 15, 1912. In the late 1940s, Alice was president and head of the New London Day Nursery, now part of the Child and Family Agency. After her marriage to Harrison Jewett in 1950, she resided in Shoreham, N.Y., where she became president of the Shoreham Elementary School, helping guide it from a one-room school house to a larger grade school.

Returning to the New London area in 1959 and settling in Stonington, Alice became a real estate agent with the Sparre Agency and Pequot Properties until she retired at age 75. She continued to be active in many civic and charitable organizations — notably the Stonington Garden Club and Stonington Historical Society. She enjoyed many activities among them, needlework, decoupage, golf and lawn bowls.

Alice is survived by her children, Katharine Chambers Cooke (Boyd), Harrison Leach Jewett Jr. and Eliza Jewett Gray (Stephen); and five grandchildren.

She was predeceased by husbands, Major Robert Chambers Jr., USMC, and Harrison Leach Jewett; grandson, Ensign Robert Chambers Cooke, USN; and brothers, Robert Leland Metcalf and James Hoffman Metcalf.

Please make any memorial donations to the hospice of your choice.

Burial will take place later this year in Connecticut. Please visit our online tribute at www.quinn-shalz.com. Services are under the care and direction of Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home, Jacksonville Beach, Fla.
Joyce C. Johns, age 103, of Liberty Street, Pawcatuck, Conn., died Tuesday, Dec. 27, 2011, at The Westerly Hospital. She was the wife of the late Foster K. Johns.

Born April 12, 1908, in England, she was a daughter of the late Philip H. and Ade- line M. (Starr) Cadby.

Mrs. Johns worked for the Westerly Library for many years. She volunteered for The Westerly Hospital Auxiliary, American Red Cross and was a long time volunteer for the Girl Scouts and active in many of the church groups at the United Congregational Church.

She will be sadly missed by her daughter, Meredith J. Coats, and her husband,

children, Daniel, Kailyn and Heather Sawyer. Besides her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Philip Johns.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a funeral service Saturday, Dec. 31, 2011, at 11 a.m. in the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly. A calling hour will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. Saturday morning. Burial will follow in River Bend Cemetery, Westerly.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Westerly Public Library, Broad Street, Westerly, RI 02891.

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Alfred Johnson

Alfred R. Johnson, 89, of 37 Church St., Mystic, died Tuesday evening at the Pequot Treatment Center in Groton. He was the husband of Pearl (Grant) Johnson who died in 1981.

A resident of Mystic since 1919, Mr. Johnson was employed for many years as a pattern maker at the former Lathrop Engine Company in Mystic. More recently he worked as a cabinet maker for Seaport Marine also in Mystic, retiring in 1972.

Mr. Johnson was a former member of the Mystic Congregational Church.

He was born in Old Lyme Oct. 13, 1897, a son of the late Melville and Jane (Robbins) Johnson.

Surviving are a daughter, Aldora Legare of Mystic, two grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral service will be held in the Thomas L. Neillan and Sons Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, Saturday at 10 a.m. Interment will be in Elm Grove Cemetery, Mystic. There are no calling hours.

Annie Johnson

Annie (Carlson) Johnson of 19 Oak St., Stonington, died at The Westerly Hospital Friday at the age of 91. Her husband, Edward Johnson, died in 1954.

A resident of Stonington for the past 55 years, she was born Aug. 19, 1887 in Sweden where she was educated. Coming to the United States at the age of 16, she lived first in Woodstock.

Mrs. Johnson was a member of the United Church of Stonington and its Ladies Aid Society.

Surviving are three grandsons and six great-grandchildren.

The funeral service will be held tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock in the United Church of Stonington. Burial will be in Stonington Cemetery. There are no calling hours.
Clementina
Johnson

Stonington — Clementina "Tina" (Stecewicz) Johnson, 95, of 5 Fairway Court, Pawcatuck, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Saturday, Aug. 1, 2015.

Tina was born Dec. 19, 1919, in New London, the daughter of Edmund Paul and Wanda Stecewicz.

She was married to William D. Johnson, who predeceased her.

Tina is survived by her three children, William E. Johnson, Thomas A. Johnson, and Marsha A. Renna, and her four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

She also was predeceased by her sister, Wanda Niedzwiecki.

Tina attended Sacred Heart Church in Groton and was a 1936 graduate of Fitch High School. She then graduated from the nurse training program at Home Memorial Hospital, where she worked until marrying William in 1940.

Tina was artistic, skilled in the kitchen, and an avid gardener and reader, but her greatest love was raising her three children. After her children were grown, Tina remained active by traveling with William and learning to ski, play golf, and synchronize swim.

She will forever be remembered for her warm heart and selfless spirit.

A private service will be held at Smith Lake Cemetery in Groton.

Donations in her memory may be directed to the St. Michael Capital Campaign for the restoration of St. Michael Church, 60 Liberty St., Pawcatuck, CT 06379.

Please visit www.byles.com to share a memory with the family.
watching football, boxing, and playing hockey for the Steelers. When he wasn't riding his Harley, he loved listening to music (constantly quoting lyrics from The Eagles with his brother Rich) and frequented many concerts, especially The Grateful Dead. Lastly, Eric lived for and was in the constant company of family and friends. Eric loved everyone he came in contact with and always made a lasting impression. Anyone who was ever hugged by Eric will attest to his affection. His family and friends certainly loved him and we will all miss him dearly.

Eric is survived by his mother Bernice LoPresti of Bristol, a brother, Richard Johnson and his wife Donna of Terryville, a sister, Cindy of Fort Pierce, Fla., his stepmother, Shirley Johnson of Plainfield, his fiancée, Virginia Gencarelli of Stonington, and many aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded by his father, Richard A. Johnson of Plainfield, and his stepfather, Joseph LoPresti of Port St. Lucie, Fla.

His funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 17, at the Impellitteri-Malia Funeral Home, 84 Montauk Ave., New London. The burial will be private. Calling hours will precede the service from noon to 2 p.m. on Friday.

Eric Johnson

Stonington — Eric Rocco Johnson, 52, of Stonington, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family, at Lawrence + Memorial Hospital in New London, on Saturday, Aug. 11, 2018.

Eric was born in New London, on Nov. 9, 1965 (during the “big blackout!”), to Bernice (Everett) Johnson and the late Richard A. Johnson. Eric attended East Lyme High School and went on to be a self-taught carpenter. He owned his own home improvement business and was highly regarded as a meticulous craftsman. Word-of-mouth alone kept him very busy and customers were always willing to wait for him. Eric enjoyed cooking and
Harris R. Johnson Jr., 55, of 344 Farmholme Road, Stonington, died Wednesday, Dec. 25, 1996, at The Westerly Hospital, where he had been a patient for the past week and a half.

Born in New London, Jan. 3, 1941, a son of Irene (Edwards) Johnson of Houston, Texas, and the late Harris R. Johnson Sr., he had been a lifelong resident of the area. He married Sally Kay on April 10, 1968, in Elkton, Md.

Mr. Johnson had been employed at the former Harris Graphics in Pawcatuck for more than 25 years, and was currently employed as a machinist at Electric Boat in Groton.

He had been a volunteer with the Wequetequock Fire Department for more than 20 years.

In addition to his wife and mother, he leaves a daughter, Sally Marie Baker of Westerly; a son, Harris R. Johnson III of Stonington; two brothers, Robert Johnson of Taftville, Conn., and David Johnson of Westerly; two sisters, Laura Mae Johnson of Houston and Irene Decelles of Florida; and seven grandchildren.

The funeral will be held Monday at 11 a.m. in the Mystic Funeral Home Inc., Route 1, Mystic, followed by burial in Stonington Cemetery. Calling hours are Sunday from 7 to 9 p.m.
OBITUARIES

Jonathan Lathrop Johnson Sr.
Memorial service planned for man who led drive to make Nathan Hale official hero of Connecticut

By JOHN FOLEY
Day Staff Writer

Groton — A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Yantic Cemetery in Norwich for Jonathan Lathrop Johnson Sr. of 248 Shore Ave., who spearheaded the drive to have Nathan Hale designated the state's official hero and was a leading figure in civic and veteran activities.

Mr. Johnson, who died at age 99 in late May, headed the Nathan Hale Hero Committee, which collected endorsements from dozens of organizations in 1984 backing the drive. He even gave several hundred postcards depicting Hale’s statue to students at Nathan Hale School in New London.

The efforts of Mr. Johnson's committee paid off in 1985, when the General Assembly passed the Nathan Hale bill and it was signed into law by Gov. William A. O'Neill. At the time, Mr. Johnson told the legislature that it was appropriate to honor one of Connecticut's most famous sons during the state's 350th anniversary.

Hale, who taught at schools in East Haddam and New London, was a captain during the American Revolution. He was hanged by the British as a spy on Sept. 22, 1776. Sept. 22 is observed in Connecticut schools as Nathan Hale Day.

In 1995, Mr. Johnson received the first Patriot Award of the Fort Griswold State Park Foundation in recognition for his work in preserving the heritage of southeastern Connecticut, including the Hale campaign and his efforts to make the public more aware of the importance of the Battle of Groton Heights, the only major Revolutionary War battle in Connecticut.

In addition, Fort Griswold's neglected condition was considerably improved because of Mr. Johnson's efforts. The City of Groton proclaimed Jonathan Lathrop Johnson Sr. Day on the day he received the Patriot Award.

Mr. Johnson was a former president and a leading figure of the Eastern Point Property Owners Association for many years.

Mr. Johnson, who once noted that Eastern Point is one of Connecticut's choicest pieces of property "and we aim to keep it that way," fought a number of battles to preserve the point's natural state.

He led one cause all the way to the state Department of Environmental Protection to defeat a plan to put a road through a tidal wetland to allow a flatter curve and easier access to the beach. As a result, the land involved was given protected status.

Mr. Johnson was a veteran of three wars. He was a retired Army National Guard colonel.
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Mary Johnson

Stonington — Mary Bromley Johnson, 96, of 99 Cove Road, died Saturday at Mary Elizabeth Nursing Center in Mystic, where she had been a patient for the last three months.

A lifelong resident of Stonington, she was born on June 3, 1906, in Stonington, daughter of Ernest and Sophie Peterson Bromley. She married Clifford David Johnson Sr. on Feb. 21, 1921. He died on Jan. 26, 1985.

Mrs. Johnson attended schools in the Stonington school system.

She is survived by a son, Richard D. Johnson of Casselberry, Fla.; 19 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by two sons, Clifford David Johnson and Ernest L. Johnson.

A private funeral service will be held at The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic. Burial will follow in Hilliard Cemetery in Stonington. There are no calling hours.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Stonington Visiting Nurse Association, 20 South Anguilla Road, Pawcatuck, 06379.
Michael E. Johnson Sr.

Michael E. Johnson Sr., 66, of Liberty Street, Pawcatuck, died at his home April 30, 2007. He was the husband of Gail (Simone) Johnson.

Born in Stonington, he was the son of the late Carl Johnson Sr. and Margaret (Keene) Johnson.

He had been employed as a patrolman for the Westerly Police Department for 20 years. He enjoyed fishing, and boating.

Survivors include his son, Michael E. Johnson Jr. of Westerly; his three daughters, Frances Cox of Ashaway, Kathleen Paradis and Colleen Rodgers, both of Norwich; six siblings; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by a sister.

Calling hours are omitted. Funeral service and burial will be private.

Family requests, that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations in his memory be made to the Westerly Fraternal Order of Police, 5 Union St., Westerly, RI 02891.

Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly, is handling arrangements.
Robert Johnson  

Stonington — Robert John Johnson, formerly of Pawcatuck, passed away on March 8, 2014, at Bride Brook Health and Rehabilitation Center in Niantic, at age of 95.

Born in Preston, he was the son of the late Alice E. and Albert R. Johnson. He was the beloved husband of the late Margaret M. (McElligot) Johnson.

Bob will be sadly missed by his family, Robert A. Johnson and Antoinette of Westerly, and their children, Trisha Johnson and Michelle of Griswold; Robert J. Johnson and Michelle of Weston, and their three children; Carolyn Gencarelli and George of Westerly, and their two children; his son, Raymond W. Johnson and Martha of Pawcatuck, and their two children; Peter Johnson of Pawcatuck; and Kimberly Norcia and Sam of Pawcatuck, and their three children; his daughter, Lynn Coes and James of Niantic, with whom he resided, and their children; Jeanne Boudreau and Regean of Westbrook, and their two children; Suzanne Desjardins and her daughter of Madawaska, Maine; and Brian Coes and Jennifer of North Attleboro, Mass. He was extremely proud of his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren and took great pride in all of their accomplishments. Bob is also survived by a brother, Albert Johnson; and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by two sisters, Mae Grover and Florence LaVallie.

Bob was a U.S. Army Air Corps veteran serving in World War II as a tech sergeant in the Asiatic Pacific. After his military service, he worked as a service manager for Miller Ford, Seaport Ford, and Whaling City Ford, until his retirement in 1983.

He was an avid bowler and enjoyed many years of bowling in leagues at Alley Katz Bowling Center in Westerly. He also enjoyed playing cards with friends.

His family wishes to thank his many caregivers at VNA and Bride Brook for the wonderful care and kindness shown over past few months.

Funeral services and burial will be private.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Buckler Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly.

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Masonic Island Yacht Clubs and the Mystic Congregational Church.
In his civic roles, Bob served as school board chairman in Guilford during a period of explosive housing growth and school construction in the 1970s, and as scout leader. He developed a passion for sailing while living on the coast of Long Island Sound and was an avid bridge player.
Above all, one could not know Bob without knowing the unrelenting pride and devotion he held for his family. He keenly followed the lives of his 16 grandchildren, relishing in their achievements as each followed their unique course in life. In his presence, everyone felt valued and important. Bob routinely shared wisdom and perspective in a manner devoid of pretension. It was his way to craft a meaningful relationship with each fellow human being he came to know. Bob made his friends and family feel immensely special; this effect was felt uniformly by all who knew Bob over his 88 years.
In addition to his wife, Sue, whom he married in 1994, he is survived by David and Caryl Johnson of Needham, Mass., Peter and Nancy Johnson of Andover, Mass., and step-children Willis Harrington of Stonington, Laurie and Kevin Riley of Billings, Mont., Nancy and John Collins of Eliot, Maine; as well as 16 grandchildren.
Burial in Elm Grove Cemetery will be private. A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. July 8, 2016, at Mystic Congregational Church, followed by a reception at the Mason’s Island Yacht Club.
Contributions may be made to Mystic Congregational Church, 43 E. Main St., Mystic, CT 06355, or to the Mystic Noank Library, 40 Library St., Mystic, CT 06355.
Mystic — Spencer M. Johnson, age 89, of Mystic, passed away at home on Jan. 30. He was born May 18, 1927, in Tillsonburg, Ontario to James and Marjorie Johnson. He earned a bachelor's degree in architecture from the University of Toronto in 1952. On July 21, 1954, he was married to Janice Sitzman, a marriage that lasted 62 loving years.

Spencer worked as an architect in New York, Connecticut, and Massachusetts and was a member of the American Institute of Architects. His notable projects include athletic facilities at many colleges and universities. He also worked with Jan at remodeling modest buildings to create beautiful homes for their family. Spencer and Jan and their sons lived in Stamford until 1978, when they moved to Andover, Mass. They came to Mystic in 2000.

Spencer was an active member of the Unitarian Universalist churches in Stamford and Andover, and most recently at the All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church where he was instrumental in designing and creating the church's Peace Garden. He volunteered at Mystic Seaport for many years. He was also an avid gardener and provided friends and family with seedlings and delicious fresh produce.

Spencer is survived by his wife, Jan; his sister, Louise Feigon; his sons, Eric and David; daughters-in-law Rita and Bonnie; and his grandchildren, Kathleen, Nicholas, and Rebecca.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 4, at the All Souls UU Church, 19 Jay St., New London. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church.

The DiNoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, is assisting the family.
Vivian Johnson

Stonington — Vivian “Viv” A. Johnson, 83, of Pawcatuck passed away peacefully on Nov. 17, 2015, at The Westerly Hospital. She was comforted by her family, church and friends who showed love and support during her courageous battle with cancer.

She was a grateful person and often remarked, “How could I not be thankful when so many wonderful people have been put in my life?”

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 12, at Dunn’s Corners Community Church Presbyterian, 221 Post Road, Route 1, Westerly, RI 02891.

In lieu of flowers, do something nice for someone.
Thursday, January 19, 2012

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William Johnson

Stonington — William D. Johnson, 92, of 5 Fairway Court, Pawcatuck, passed away Sunday morning, Jan. 15, 2012, at Carriage House at the Elms in Westerly.

He was born in New London on Aug. 13, 1919, the son of William and Lulu (Oliver) Johnson. Bill was married to Clementine “Tina” Steciewicz in Groton on Sept. 25, 1940.

Bill owned and operated Johnson’s Hardware in Groton for many years. He was a Navy veteran of World War II, a life member of both the Poquonnock Bridge Baptist Church and the Groton Lodge of Elks. He was a member of the Groton Rotary, the VFW and the IOOB. He had been named the Man of the Year for his work with the Poquonnock Bridge youth.

The family’s entry into business actually predates the hardware store when Lulu Johnson, the mother of William Dexter Johnson, opened a small general store in 1925 at 40 Fort Hill Road, in Groton, now home to the hardware store. “Being only five or six years old, I remember the kids would come in when my father was there because he used to give them really big ice cream cones; whereas my mother would give them one scoop like you were supposed to do if you wanted to make a living,” William D. Johnson wrote in the family history.

The inspiration for Johnson’s Hardware came when Lulu and her husband, William A. Johnson, were visiting Maine and came across a store called Kumseeme. They liked the name and, as the family history goes, they stopped and agreed to pay the owner of that store $25 for the right to use the name in Connecticut. And so was born the Kumseeme Filling Station at 40 Fort Hill Road in Groton, the forerunner of Johnson’s Hardware. It opened in 1922, featuring five different brand names of gasoline. It also became known as the “Oil Room,” with the family building a second floor to be used as its home. Hammers and other tools also were for sale. In 1959, it became Johnson’s Hardware.

Bill’s son, William E. Johnson, is now majority owner and president along with his grandson, William C. Johnson, as minority owner and vice president and fourth generation. Believe it or not, Bill has a great-grandson, William R. Johnson (he’s only 5 years old). With Bill’s work ethic being passed along, Johnson’s Hardware will be here for decades to come, just as he had hoped.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two sons, William E. of Groton and Thomas A. of Pawcatuck; a daughter, Marsha Renna of North Stonington; a sister, Gertrude Gillis of Groton; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his brother, Samuel T. Johnson.

A private graveside service will be held in Smith Lake Cemetery, Groton.

Donations in his memory may be directed to the Groton Lodge of Elks, Scholarships, 700 Shennecossett Road, Groton, CT 06340.

Please visit www.byles.com to sign the guest book to leave a condolence note for the family.
Mr. Johnstone
Dead at Age 65

STONINGTON — David M. Johnstone, “the most capable public official the town of Stonington has seen in the past 30 years,” according to First Selectman James M. Spellman, and Republican candidate for state representative from Stonington and North Stonington in next week’s general elections, died at The Westerly Hospital early Saturday morning after a coronary attack at the age of 65.

Mr. Johnstone’s most recent public service was a 10-year stint as a member of the Board of Finance, including several years as its chairman.

But it was as first selectman that he left his long-lasting imprint on the town through the adoption of planning and zoning in 1961, an action in which he played a key role, and which, ironically, contributed to his defeat in that year’s town election when he was succeeded by Spellman.

Spellman recalls that the subject of planning and zoning in 1961 was a controversial issue and “costs. Mr. Johnstone the election” but adds, “time has proven that it was the timely thing to do and that planning and zoning have allowed Stonington to guide its own growth through the past 20 years.

Mr. Johnstone’s first political post was that of Stonington Harbormaster, to which he was appointed in 1946, shortly after he ended his World War II service aboard U.S. Navy destroyers.

In 1950 he won his first election when Stonington voters sent him to the Connecticut General Assembly. He was

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Mrs. Johnstone was described by her family as “a devoted mother of five, friend to the community, accomplished artist and mentor.” She was a person “who lived a passionate life through her creative talents and her ability to lead and to motivate others,” the family said.

During the decades she concentrated on portrait and animal sculpture, Mrs. Johnstone won the highly-prized Anna Hyatt Huntington Award of the Hudson Valley Art Association in 1978 for her dolphins “Running Free” and the Wimpfheimer Award of the Mystic Art Association for “Esprit.” Her work was accepted in the first open show of the prestigious Salmagundi Club in New York City.

Mrs. Johnstone received the First Jury Award of the Award of Excellence of the International Maritime Awards Show three times. She exhibited nationally and her work also can be found in private collections internationally.

Her majestic 18-foot bronze sculpture of “Sassy,” a stately dolphin commissioned by Mystic Aquarium, graces the entrance to the new addition to the aquarium. A six-foot bronze of her sculpture “Touch Me,” featuring a mother and child seal, will be installed at the aquarium’s Seal Island.

Mrs. Johnstone was born Feb. 26, 1922, in Seabreeze, Fla., the daughter of Fred and Marguerite Hubbard Tod. She and Mr. Johnstone were married March 6, 1943, and lived in Stonington for more than 50 years.

Mrs. Johnstone was a board member and contributor to a number of organizations, including the Stonington Community Center, Westerly Auxiliary Aide Association, and the Stonington Garden Club. An accomplished gardener, she favored shades of apricot perennials which she blended into the rocky charm of her seaside estate. She also was a member of Lyme Academy of Fine Arts, Mystic Seaport, Mystic Aquarium, Mystic Art Association and Pine Point School. She was an elected artist and honorary member of the Mystic Art Association.

Mrs. Johnstone is survived by her son, David Tod Johnstone of Masons Island; four daughters, Sara Anne Keali of Amarillo, Texas, Catherine MacLaren Johnstone of North Stonington and Puerto Rico, Jessica Kan of Wellesley, Mass., and Stonington, and Marguerite Johnstone of Stonington; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Mystic Art Association, Water Street, Mystic.

Gifts in memory of Mrs. Johnstone can be made to the Rhode Island Blood Bank (800-283-8365) or to the Wound Care Center of The Western Hospital, 26 Wells St., Westerly, RI 02891. The gifts are in honor, her family said, “of all those who selflessly donated their blood that extended her life for over 10 years.”

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By JOHN FOLEY
Day Staff Writer

Stonington — Katherine Tod Johnstone, a prominent artist and community leader, died Saturday at her home in Stonington from myelodysplasia. She was 77.

Mrs. Johnstone focused on painting in oils for a decade until 1981 when she turned to sculpting, becoming well-known for representational figures, including dolphins, seals and whales. She received numerous awards for her work.

Last month, the Mystic Art Association broke ground for the Katherine Tod Johnstone Studio wing and called attention to her contributions and her dedication to art in the community. Mrs. Johnstone, a former president of the association, gave $125,000 to start the campaign to build the studio.

Mrs. Johnstone and her husband, the late David M. Johnstone, were the first husband and wife to serve as presidents of the Stonington Community Center. Mr. Johnstone, who died at age 65 on Oct. 23, 1982, was a major figure in town government for 30 years.

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Katherine Tod Johnstone

For a half-century, Katherine Tod Johnstone, of Stonington, gave generously of her talents as an artist and her organizational abilities in civic affairs. A woman of grace and good taste, she was widely admired in her home community and in the other cities and towns in southeastern Connecticut that benefited from her desire to offer opportunities to others.

For years, she had battled a debilitating disease called myelofibrosis with courage and dignity. She died Saturday in Stonington at the age of 77.

Mrs. Johnstone was known widely in the region for her charitable and volunteer work in a variety of museums and in the Stonington Community Center. But she was first and foremost, an artist. An oil painter for much of her career, she had turned to sculpting in 1961. She had shows across the country and, just last year, was featured at the Youngstown Museum in Youngstown, Ohio.

Her talents earned her many prizes, including on three occasions the First Jury Award of the Award of Excellence of the International Maritime Awards Show. She also won the Anna Hyatt Huntington Award of the Hudson Valley Art Association. A large dolphin she sculpted is located at the new addition to the Mystic Aquarium.

Mrs. Johnstone made substantial financial contributions to civic and art groups. Just a few weeks ago she presided at the opening of the new 3,500-square-foot studio space at the Mystic Art Association. She had contributed $125,000 toward the project named in her honor. Students at the association for many years had to take art classes within the exhibit space. Mrs. Johnstone saw that this held back the association’s work and led the effort to construct separate space for art classes.

She dedicated the space with a humorous gesture that delighted the audience. Spilling great globs of red paint onto the floor, Mrs. Johnstone had said in effect to the artists, “We’ve started. Now get going.”

Mrs. Johnstone’s enthusiasm for art and for life gave energy to untold programs that benefited Stonington and the region.

Otto “Pat” Liebig, a longtime board member of the association and friend of Mrs. Johnstone, remembered her as a person who “helped at all levels.”

“It wasn’t just advice,” Mr. Liebig said, “but actual grunt work.”

He recalled one occasion when a giant roll of linoleum was spread on the floor. Mrs. Johnstone got down on her hands and knees, cutting the new linoleum and pasting it in place. That was the kind of grass-roots work she brought to any activity in which she had a strong interest.

She did wonderful volunteer work and made substantial contributions to Lyman Allyn Art Museum and to the Lyme Academy of Fine Arts.

Katherine Tod Johnstone’s creativity and civic virtue will be remembered and appreciated for many years to come by the people of this region.
Katherine Johnstone

Katherine (Tod) Johnstone, 77, of Stonington, died Saturday, July 24, 1999, at her home, following complications from myelofibrosis.

Born in Seabreeze, Fla., the fourth child of Fred and Marguerite (Hubbard) Tod, she had lived in Stonington for more than 50 years. She married David M. Johnstone on March 6, 1943. Mr. Johnstone died Oct. 23, 1982.

An accomplished artist, Mrs. Johnstone began her career in 1951 with oil painting, studying with the late Galed Gesner. She worked in this media for 10 years until the death of her teacher. Ready to try something new, she decided to study sculpture with Mrs. Beonnie Boranda, a sculptor living in Mystic.

She concentrated on portrait and animal sculpture for many years and was recognized with several awards including the highly prized Anna Hyatt Huntington Award of the Hudson Valley Art Association in 1978 for her dolphins "Running Free," and the Wimpfheimer Award of the Mystic Art Association for "Esprit." Her works were

KATHERINE TOD JOHNSTONE
Photo 1979

An accomplished gardener, she often blended shades of apricot perennials (her favorite color) into her rocky seaside home.

Mrs. Johnstone was a member of the Lyme Academy of
accepted in the first open show held by the prestigious Salmagundi Club in New York City.

Among her many awards, she received the First Jury Award of the Award of Excellence of the International Maritime Art Awards show on three separate occasions.

Mrs. Johnstone's works have been exhibited nationwide and can be found in many private collections internationally. Her magnificent 15-foot bronze sculpture of "Sassy," a stately dolphin, was commissioned by the Mystic Aquarium and graces the entrance to the new addition to the Aquarium. A six-foot enlarged bronze of her sculpture, "Touch Me," featuring a mother and child seal, will be installed on the Aquarium's Seal Island.

She was elected artist, honorary member and past president of the Mystic Art Association, which this past June dedicated the Katherine Tod Johnstone Studios in her honor for her contributions and dedication to supporting art in general in the community.

Mrs. Johnstone had a love of nature, landscape design and architecture.

Active in community affairs, she and her husband were the first husband and wife to serve as presidents of the Stonington Community Center. She was also active in the Westerly Hospital Auxiliary Aide Association, serving as a president of the group, and in the Stonington Garden Club.

Fine Arts, the Mystic Seaport, the Mystic Art Association, the Mystic Aquarium and the Pine Point School.

According to her family, Mrs. Johnstone will be remembered "fondly for her willingness to share her time, interest and talents." She was also described by her family as "a devoted mother of five, friend to the community, accomplished artist and mentor."

She was also a person "who lived a passionate life through her creative talents and ability to lead and to motivate others."

She is survived by a son, David Tod Johnstone of Mystic; four daughters, Sara Anne Keel of Amarillo, Texas, Catherine Macaroon Johnstone of North Stonington and Puerto Rico, Jessica Cam of Wellesley, Mass., and Stonington, and Marguerite Johnstone of Stonington; a sister, Sallie Tod Ketchum and two brothers, Fred Tod Jr. and David Tod; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. at the Mystic Art Association, Water Street, Mystic.

Memorial gifts or blood donations may be made to the Rhode Island Blood Bank (1-800-283-8385); or to The Wound Care Center, Westerly Hospital, 25 Wells St., Westerly, 02891. The gifts are in honor, her family said, "of all those who selflessly donated their blood that extended her life for over 10 years."
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Paul Legrand Johnstone Jr.
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Paul Legrand Johnstone Jr., Sadie Tod Ketchum Family
Music
Alison Ives
Ushers
Rudie Schaefer, Peter Ross
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"Baby Blue"
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Commendation
Hymn
"Amazing Grace"

At Parting
Unspoken words at parting,
Find their voice in song,
ah sing them soft and tenderly,
The song will ne'er last long.

And hand grasps hand at parting,
Heart finds heart in song.
Unspoken love sing tenderly,
"Twill last as life is long."
Pawcatuck — Cal Jones, formerly of Pawcatuck and recently relocated to Solomon's, Md., passed away peacefully on Nov. 29, 2017, at the age of 90. Everyone who knew him recognized Cal as both a gentleman and a gentle man.

Cal was preceded by his wife of 67 years, Mary Dinotto Jones. He is survived by his sons, Tom Jones of Lusby, Md., and Bob Jones of Lafayette, Calif., as well as their wives, Susan Jones and Catherine Jester. Cal has four grandchildren, Nate Jones, Amanda Zimmermann, Elliott Jones and Hank Jones. His great grandchildren are Olivia, Addison and Drew. He often recalled with affection his many extended family members from the Westerly/Pawcatuck area.

Cal lived most of his life in Pawcatuck following a career as a U.S. naval officer and then as an administrator at URI. He is a veteran of World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. He and his family traveled extensively throughout the country and the world.

Cal has been an active member of Lions International in both Pawcatuck and Maryland for more than 50 years and, before moving to Maryland two years ago, was a parishioner at St. Michael's Church where he was married 69 years ago. Cal was also an active member of the Maria Assunta Society of St. Michael's, following the tradition of his father-in-law, Antonio Dinotto, of Tusa, Sicily.

Just one year ago, Cal and his son Tom visited Tusa and were pleased to read all the familiar names from Westerly and Pawcatuck on Tusa's World War II memorial in the center of the mountaintop village.

Since recently moving to Maryland, Cal has sorely missed his friends, family, neighbors and golfing buddies in Pawcatuck. However, he has made hundreds of new friends since moving to Maryland and leaves us all a legacy of his kindness and generosity.

His family will greet relatives and friends from 9 to 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 7, at the Dinotto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Thursday at St. Mary's Church in Stonington, followed by internment at St. Michael's Cemetery in Pawcatuck.

Friends may honor Cal with donations in his name to the Pawcatuck Lions Club at P.O. Box 1706, Pawcatuck, CT.
Grace Jones, Owner Of Battersea Books, Dies

STONINGTON, CONN. — Grace Jones, a former Newton teacher and president, died April 17 at Westerly Hospital in Rhode Island after suffering a massive stroke. She was a long time resident of Sandy Hook. She taught in the Newton School System from 1935-1969 after which she retired. She was a strong advocate for introducing the English Open classroom concept to Connecticut schools.

A gifted teacher, she graduated from Columbia Teacher's College in 1935 and later earned two master's degrees in reading from Western Connecticut State College. She first taught at an open-air school for consumptive children in Brooklyn, where she was born and grew up.

On her retirement, she moved to Stonington and opened her bookstore, Battersea Books on Water Street in Stonington, which she operated from 1976 until recently. An amiable presence in Stonington with her dog, Charley, she was a true lover of books, children and dogs. Although burdened by the onset of Alzheimer's in recent years, she never lost her joy of the poetry of flowers and sunsets. She will be greatly missed by her family and her many friends and customers, and by the community she loved and served so well.

Mrs. Jones was the wife of the late Major Joseph R. Jones. She is survived by one son, Richmond Jones of South Britain; a sister, Katherine Pompilio of Forestdale, Mass.; one grandson, Christopher Jones of San Jose, Calif.; a grand-daughter, Hillary Jones of Vancouver, B.C.; several nieces and nephews, and her beloved dog, Charley.

Private services were held. Burial was in Middletown Veterans Cemetery in Middletown.

Donations in Mrs. Jones memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 911 Pontiac Avenue, Cranston, R.I. 02920.
Grace Jones

STONINGTON — Grace Jones, 86, of Water Street, died Saturday, April 17, at The Westerly Hospital after suffering a massive stroke.

She was born and raised in Brooklyn. She was the widow of Maj. Joseph R. Jones.

She graduated from Columbia Teacher's College in 1935, and earned two master's degrees in reading from Western Connecticut State College. In Brooklyn, she taught an open-air school for children with tuberculosis. She later was a reading consultant for the Newton school system. She was an advocate for introducing the English open classroom concept to Connecticut schools.


Mrs. Jones is survived by a son, Richmond Jones of South Britain; a sister, Katherine Pompilio of Forestdale, Mass.; and two grandchildren.

Services will be private. Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, Westerly, is in charge of arrangements.

Gifts in Mrs. Jones's memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 911 Pontiac Ave., Cranston, R.I. 02920.

Grace Jones

Owned Battersea Books in Stonington Borough

STONINGTON — Grace Jones, 86, of 106 Water St., owner of Battersea Books, a used-book store on Water Street, died Saturday at The Westerly Hospital following a stroke.

Mrs. Jones was born in Brooklyn and was the widow of retired Army Maj. Joseph R. Jones.

She graduated from Columbia Teacher's College in 1935 and later earned two master's degrees from Western Connecticut State College.

Mrs. Jones first taught at an open-air school for tubercular children in Brooklyn. She later served for many years as the reading consultant for the Newton school system. She was an advocate for introducing the concept of the English open classroom to Connecticut schools.

Upon retirement, she moved to Stonington and in 1976 opened her bookstore, which she operated until recently. She was known as an amiable woman who enjoyed books, children, and the companionship of her dog, Charley.

The onset of Alzheimer's in recent years did not diminish her joy of sunsets or flowers.

She is survived by a son, Richmond Jones of South Britain; a sister, Katherine Pompilio of Forestdale, Mass.; and two grandchildren.

A private service will be at the convenience of the family. Burial will be in Middletown Veterans Cemetery, Middletown.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 911 Pontiac Ave., Cranston, R.I. 02920.

The Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly, is in charge of arrangements.
Harry Jones Sr.

Pawcatuck — Harry Edward Jones Sr., 83, of 56 Liberty St., Pawcatuck, died on Friday, Dec. 31, 2004, at The Westerly Hospital after a brief illness.

Born March 23, 1921, in Mystic, he was the son of the late Harry William and Daisy Sebastian Jones.

He was married to the former Lillian Ralls for 51 years before her death in 1996.

Mr. Jones graduated from Stonington High School, where he excelled as a track star. He achieved the state record in the 100-yard dash and played football. Later in his life he became an avid golfer.

Mr. Jones was a World War II veteran and was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., in 1943.

Mr. Jones was the owner of the former A.B. Herbert Corporation in Stonington, and the owner and operator of a laundromat in New London. He later worked at Douglas Randall in Pawcatuck in the shipping department before working at General Dynamics as a planner.

He was a member of the Pleasant Street Baptist Church.

Mr. Jones was a proud Elder of the Eastern Pequot Tribal Nation, being the oldest surviving great-grandson of the tribal lineage of Francisco Sebastian (Eastern Pequot Tribal Nation) and Mary McKinney (Shinnecock Tribal Nation). He enjoyed attending Elders meetings and the annual powwow held at the Tribe's Lantern Hill Reservation.

He was the father of five children, Tribal Chairwoman Marcia Jones Flowers, Harry Edward Jones Jr., who is a teacher at Norwich Free Academy, Gail Jones-Littleton, a librarian, Sheri Marie Jones, an attorney and Phillip Brian Jones, a district manager for Dunkin' Donuts. He also leaves nine grandchildren, two great-grandchildren.

The funeral service will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday at the Pleasant Street Baptist Church, Pleasant Street. Burial will be in Elm Grove Cemetery in Mystic following the service. Visiting hours will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Gaffney Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly.
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Funeral services will be held in the Pleasant Street Baptist Church, Westerly, Wednesday at 11 a.m. Burial will follow in Elm Grove Cemetery, Mystic. Visiting hours are Tuesday from 6 to 8 p.m. in Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly.
Jean Jones

Stonington — Jean Jewett Jones, 82, of 176 Water St., died Thursday at home.

She was born June 28, 1912, in Buffalo, N.Y., daughter of Josiah Jewett Jr. and Natalie Geogerr Jewett. She and Rand Butler "Buddy" Jones were married in June 1932 in Warrenton, Va. Two years later they bought a farm on Dean's Mill Road where they lived until his death in July 1971.

She was an active member of Calvary Episcopal Church and in 1972 became the first woman to serve on its vestry. She was a past president of The Child and Family Agency of Southeastern Connecticut, and worked as a volunteer for the Hospitality Shop in Westerly Hospital and the Stonington Antique Show.

Her famous "Soup Kitchen" in the side yard of her home raised money for the Stonington Community Center during the annual Stonington Fair. She was elected Stonington Village Constable for many years, and was a member and officer of the Wadawanuck Club.

She is survived by one sister, Charlotte Farrar of Palm Beach, Fla.; one son, Rand Butler Jones Jr. of Stonington; one daughter, Natalie Jones Hinshaw of Stonington; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Calvary Episcopal Church. The Dinozzo Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Stonington Free Library.
STONINGTON — Jean Jewett Jones, 82, widow of Stonington architect Rand Butler Jones, died May 25 at her home on Water Street.

She was born June 28, 1912, in Buffalo, N.Y., daughter of Josiah Jewett Jr. and Natalie Georgzer Jewett. She and “Buddy” Jones were married in June 1932 in Warrenton, Va. Two years later, the couple bought a farm on Dean’s Mill Road in Stonington where they lived until his death in July 1971.

Mrs. Jones’ life was devoted to her family and to volunteer service in the community. She was an active member of Calvary Episcopal Church and in 1972 became the first woman to serve on its vestry. She was a past president of The Child and Family Agency of Southeastern Connecticut and worked as a volunteer for the Hospitality Shop in The Westerly Hospital and the Stonington Antique Show.

Her famous “Soup Kitchen” in the side yard of her home raised money for the Stonington Community Center during the annual Stonington Fair. She was elected Stonington Village constable for many years and was a member and officer of the Wadawanuck Club.

She is survived by two children, Rand Butler Jones Jr. and Natalie Jones Hinshaw, both of Stonington; one sister, Charlotte Farrar of Palm Beach, Fla.; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 7, at the Calvary Episcopal Church in Stonington. The Dinoto Funeral Home of Mystic is in charge of the arrangements. Donations in her memory may be made to the Stonington Free Library.
IN THANKSGIVING
Jean Jewett Jones
June 28, 1912 - May 25, 1995

Page numbers refer to the red Book of Common Prayer in the pew racks. The hymns are in the blue hymnals.

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All are invited to a celebration of thanksgiving for Jean Jones at 176 Water Street, Stonington, following today's service.

The Reverend Mark K.J. Robinson, Officiant
Marianna Wilcox, Organist
Donald Bromley, Verger

"The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we, too, shall be raised. The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty that "neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend. So, while we rejoice that one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn."  B.C.P., p. 507

Do not stand at my grave and weep
I am not there. I do not sleep.

I am a thousand winds that blow
I am the diamond glint on snow.

I am the sunlight on ripened grain
I am the gentle autumn rain.

When you wake in the morning hush
I am the swift, uplifting rush
of quiet birds in circling flight.
I am the soft starlight at night.

Do not stand at my grave
and weep
I am not there. I do not sleep.

Anonymous
OBITUARIES

Joseph Jones Sr.

Joseph A. Jones Sr., 82, formerly of 12 School St., Stonington, died Wednesday at Mystic Manor Convalescent Center where he had been a patient for the last four years.

Mr. Jones was a familiar figure in Stonington for many years as he made his daily trip to raise the flag at Stonington Point.

A lifelong resident of the area, he was a machinist with the former Atwood Machine Co. in Pawcatuck. He retired in 1970.

He was born April 29, 1905 in Pawcatuck, the son of John A. and Anne (Whewell) Jones.

He married the former Irene Pearce Nov. 8, 1939, in Stonington. She died in 1967.

He married the former Mary Clay Levy in November 1969. She died in March, 1985.

He was a volunteer at the Stonington Community Center for many years and a member of the Stonington Senior Citizens and the Pawcatuck Golden Agers. He was a member of the Machinist Union and a 30-year member of the Pawcatuck Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include a son, Joseph A. Jones Jr. of Tucson, Ariz.; four daughters, Susan Patte of Billings, Mont., Frances Miner of North Stonington, Sally E. Joseph and Stonington Police Sgt. Barbara Richard, both of Pawcatuck; a sister, Queenie Sullivan of Pawcatuck; 13 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 11 a.m. at the Thomas L. Nellis & Sons Mystic Funeral Home. Calling hours are 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday. Interment will be in River Bend Cemetery, Westerly. Donations may be made in his memory to the Stonington Community Center, P.O. Box 286, Stonington, 06378.
Obituary

Madeline Jones

Madeline (Visgilio) Jones, 68, of 50 William St., Pawcatuck, died Sunday, April 8, 2001, at The Elms in Westerly after a long illness. She met the end of her life as she had lived it with courage, grace and dignity surrounded by her loving family and friends.

She was the daughter of Rose (Naccarato) Visgilio of Westerly and Naples, Fla., and the late Joseph A. Visgilio.

She was a lifelong resident of Pawcatuck and a communicant of St. Michael Church. She attended St. Michael School and graduated from Stonington High School in 1950.

She worked as a secretary at West Broad Street School in Pawcatuck for 27 years before retiring in 1996. She was previously employed at Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. and had also worked for several years at the former Harris Corp. in Pawcatuck.

She is survived by a son, Thomas D. Jones of Westerly; two daughters, Valerie Jones West of New London and Gayle Jones Wheeler of Richmond, R.I.; a brother, Joseph A. Visgilio of Westerly; and four grandchildren.

She was predeceased by an infant daughter, Leslie Ann Jones; and a brother, Thomas J. Visgilio.

A celebration of her life will be offered at a Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. Wednesday at St. Michael Church, Liberty Street, Pawcatuck. Burial will be in St. Michael Cemetery. There is no procession from the funeral home.

Calling hours are 4-7 p.m. today at the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly.

Memorial donations may be made to the VNA of Southeastern Connecticut, 408 North Frontage Road, Waterford CT 06385, or the VNS Home Health Services, 14 Woodruff Ave., Narragansett RI 02882.
Marcus Jones
Stonington — Marcus I. Jones, 76, of Sommers Lane, Stonington, passed away on Thursday, Sept. 11, 2003, at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital after a lengthy battle with cancer.

Marcus, son of Marcus R. and Florence Kenny Jones, was born on Oct. 16, 1926, in New London. Marcus served in the Navy during World War II, from 1944 until 1946. He then joined the National Guard and served in the Army during the Korean War from 1950 until 1952, spending that time in Japan along with 110 other men from Mystic.

After the Korean War, Marcus went to work at Davis Standard Machine shop where he worked on an assembly with sheet metal, and in the research lab. He then went into the field service department and traveled for 15 years. After Marcus stopped traveling he became interested in the amusement park business, he bought 30 acres in Hope Valley, R.I., and was the founder of the Enchanted Forest. He ran the park with his family for 13 years. He retired from Davis Standard as a service manager in 1998 after 46 years with the company.

Marcus was interested in genealogy; he belonged to both the Connecticut and Mystic Genealogy Societies. He was also a member of the Hugo Simonelli Post VFW in Mystic.

Marcus is survived by his loving wife of 53 years, Dorothy B. Jones of Stonington; a son, David M. Jones and his wife Pamela of Stonington; daughters, Deborah M. Barnes and husband Jeffrey of North Stonington, and Jennifer J. White and husband Jeffrey of Ledyard; three sisters, Dorothy Louise of Pawcatuck, Marilyn Paulise of Rhode Island, and Patricia Place of New York; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by one brother, John W. Jones.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, at Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic. Burial with military honors will be in Elm Grove Cemetery following the service. Calling hours will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

The family respectfully requests that in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 238 West Town St., Norwich CT 06350.
Mary Jones

Pawcatuck — Mary T. (Dinoto) Jones, 86, of Pawcatuck died Wednesday, July 8, 2015, at her home.

She is survived by her beloved husband of 66 years, Calvin L. Jones.

Family and friends are invited to a calling hour from 9 to 10 a.m. Monday, July 13, at the Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, followed by a procession to a funeral Mass to be celebrated at 11 a.m. at St. Mary’s Church in Stonington borough. Interment will be in St. Michael’s Cemetery, Pawcatuck.
JONES
PENNY
On Monday, September 15, 2014. Beloved wife of the late Benjamin Franklin Jones; mother of Franklin Dalzell Jones, Katharine "Katie" Holdship Jones, and the late Edward Pendergast Jones; grandmother of William McMichael Jones III and Adelaide Holdship Jones. Penny was instrumental in the establishment of the Three Rivers Arts Festival in the late 1950s, and became nationally known for her work managing charity antique shows in St. Louis, Washington, D.C., Connecticut, New York City, and Pittsburgh. She was a member of the Garden Club of Allegheny County, the Women's Committee of Carnegie Museum, the Colony Club of New York City, and a former member of Allegheny Country Club. There will be no visitation, funeral and interment will be private. Remembrances may be made to the Children's Museum of Pittsburgh, 10 Children's Way, Pgh., PA 15212. Arrangements by JOHN A. FREYVOGEL SONS, INC.
Send condolences post-gazette.com/gb

If you would like to send a note to Katie & Franklin,

Katie's address: Katharine Jones
918 River Oaks
Pittsburgh, PA 15215

I have told Katie about today's gathering to celebrate Penny and said that some of us are giving gifts in Penny's memory to the Stonington Free Library. Please feel free to join us.
Rand B. Jones

Rand Butler Jones, an architect who designed and restored many homes in Stonington, died August 6 at the age of 64 at The Westerly Hospital where he had been admitted on Wednesday. He was the husband of Jean (Jewett) Jones of Dean's Mill Road, Stonington.

A 1928 graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, he had worked with the late President Dwight D. Eisenhower, then an Army major, on the Battle Monuments Commission.

Born August 21, 1906, he was a native of Hackensack, N.J. and the son of Mrs. Amy Palmer Jones of Mason's Island and the late William R. Jones.

He was a junior warden and a past senior warden of Calvary Episcopal Church, a past president of the Wadawanuck Yacht Club, vice president of the Stonington Historical Society, a member of the board of Trustees of the Lyman-Allyn Museum in New London and a member of the Connecticut Society of Architects.

In addition to his wife and mother, he is survived by a son, Rand B. Jones, Jr. of Boston; a daughter, Mrs. Steven Spencer of San Francisco, Calif.; two brothers, Robert Sargent Jones of Clarks Falls and Dr. William Nicholas Jones of Old Mystic; a sister, Mrs. A. Shapleigh Boyd, Jr. of St. Louis, Mo.; and five grandchildren.
Rand Jones, Architect, Dies at 64

STONINGTON — Rand Butler Jones, 84, of Deans Hill Road, an architect who designed and reconditioned many storied homes, died Friday at Weathersfield Hospital. He was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where he was 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Robert Jones

Groton — Robert S. "Robin" Jones Jr., 41, of 2 Quincy Court, died Saturday in Stonington at his father's home on Quanaduck Road. He was born Jan. 1 1952 in Westerly, the son of Robert S. Jones Sr. and Helen Eighmy Jones of Woodbridge.

He attended Pine Point School in Stonington. He graduated from Middlesex School in Concord, Mass., where he was a distinguished athlete, and graduated from Paul Smith College, Paul Smith, N.Y., where he received a degree in forestry.

As a young boy, he competed in Stonington Little League and played as an all-star. He enjoyed sports all his life and was an accomplished sailor and skier as well as an avid tennis player. He was a member of Wadawanuck Club of Stonington and the Stonington Community Center.

Besides his parents, he is survived by two brothers, Charles B. Jones of Stonington and Thomas B. Jones.

The funeral service and burial will be private. There are no calling hours.

Donations in his memory may be made to Stonington Community Center, Stonington 06378.

The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.
Robert Sargent Jones

Stoneington — Robert Sargent Jones, an avid sailor and businessman who spent the summers of his youth and most of his adult life in Stonington, died on Thursday, Dec. 4, 1979, in his home.

Born on Dec. 4, 1913, in Teaneck, N.J., he was the son of W. Rand and Amy Butler Jones. Bob attended the Berkshire Preparatory School, and played the trombone at the 1939 World's Fair. He attended Yale University, matriculating as a freshman in 1942 in the class of 1946. During World War II, he left Yale to join the Navy as an Electronic Technician 2nd Class, serving aboard a Corvette Escort Ship and an LSMR Rocket Ship in Chesapeake Bay and then in the Pacific. Although he received his degree from Yale in 1948, he retained his 1946 affiliation.

After serving in the Navy, Jones married Helen Baldwin of Westfield, Pa. They moved to North Stonington, where he purchased and renovated a small water-powered grist mill in the little village of Clark's Falls. Specializing in stone-ground white cornmeal for Johnny cakes, he supplied local customers and retailers, and developed a prize-winning recipe that was featured in the S.S. Pearce Company. Jones entered the real estate and insurance business, and later opened his own agency in the village of Stonington.

Bob was an active participant in local community affairs. He served as President of the Stonington Community Center during construction of its current facility, and on the board of the Pequotsepos Wildlife Sanctuary, where he chaired the annual “Bird Ball,” a popular fundraiser during the 1950s. He also helped establish the flag pole at Stonington Point, headed the United Way Fund Drive in its formative years for Stonington, and volunteered on the North Stonington planning and zoning commission.

Racing sailboats of all types was a wonderful part of his life, and he had good sailing friends in all parts of the country. A fierce competitor with a feisty temperament, Jones was in his element when sailing the waters of Fishers Island Sound, and most proud of his achievements as a sailor. An active participant in local Ensign Fleet No. 34 in his beloved boat, “Flying High,” Jones won everything he could locally and went on to win the Region II Regatta (a region which runs from Bridgeport to Cape Cod) several times. He trailed in a 1000 nautical regattas from Maine to New Jersey and upstate New York. In 1974, he was national champion. At that time Ensigns were the largest class of full keel sailboats. He was Commodore of the Ensign Class Association during 1975-76. During his tenure he instituted a class newsletter, “The Ensign,” which is still published regularly. As Vice Commodore of Regional Affairs during 1973-74, he inaugurated a series of five regional regattas around the country which have been conducted annually ever since. He also served as Commodore of the Fishers Island Sound Fleet. Among his many contributions to the fleet over the years was conceiving a Memorial Day Ensign race to open the season, for which he gave a permanent trophy that is still raced for annually. Later as Commodore of the Wadawanuck Yacht Club, he succeeded in bringing the Australians to Stonington just prior to the Australian-American Cup Races.

In addition to sailing during his retirement years, Jones loved to travel, golf, and ski. At home, he spent his time studying the stock market, watching and feeding ducks and other birds, and gardening. He was especially fond of roses, and grew dozens of different varieties. In the 1946 Yachting World yearbook, Bob wrote: “I’ve traveled to many countries around the world. To China, Russia, Japan, Egypt, Europe — and cruised extensively with friends in the Baltic and the Caribbean. I’ve also been to almost every state in the union, including Hawaii — but I’ve never seen a place I’d rather live in more than my hometown of Stonington, Connecticut. I love the sea and the changeable seasons of New England.”

“I looked back over my life, I realize how very fortunate I was to have attended the schools I did. My greatest fortune was to have had wonderful, loving parents and a great life together with my sister and brothers.”

Bob was predeceased by two brothers, Rand and William Jones; and two sons, Robert S. (Robin) Jones Jr., and Thomas Brooke-Jones. He is survived by his sister, Amy McKinley of Town and Country, Mo.; and his former wife, Helen E. Jones (nee: Ada B. Lewis) of Westerly, R.I., and their son, Charles Butler-Jones of Norwich; and by his close friend, Kathleen Ennis Jenkins of Newport, R.I.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, Nov. 18, at 12:30 p.m. at Calvary Episcopal Church in Stonington.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center, PO Box 122, Mystic CT 06355, the Stonington Community Center; 20 Cutler Street, Stonington CT 06378 or to Calvary Episcopal Church, 7 Church Street, Stonington, CT 06378.

The Dinozzo Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., historic downtown Mystic, is assisting the family. To send an online condoleence/rememberance to the family please visit www.dinozzo-funeral.com.
Rosalind Jones
Mystic — Rosalind "Ros" Loutrel Jones, 92, a beloved mother and grandmother who was devoted to her family and her church, died on Friday, June 25, 2010, after a long and happy life.

Rosalind was born on Oct. 26, 1917, in South Orange, N.J., the daughter of Margaret Street Loutrel and Louis Frederic Loutrel.

She grew up sailing on Cape Cod with her two older brothers, Louis F. Loutrel and Charles F. Loutrel, who predeceased her. She attended Dearborn Morgan School in Orange. She taught art briefly following her graduation from Smith College in 1939.

During World War II, she volunteered for the American Red Cross as a nurse's aide, then went to the Yale School of Nursing, where she earned her R.N. degree.

From 1948 to 1955, she worked at Yale-New Haven Hospital, where she became nursing supervisor of the emergency room and where she met William N. "Bill" Jones, an orthopedic surgeon. Ros left nursing after marrying Bill on Jan. 7, 1956, in South Orange, N.J. They spent more than 49 wonderful years together, rearing four daughters.

Ros called herself a "home engineer." She was renowned for her grape jelly, hand-knit purple socks and homemade Christmas cards. She dedicated herself to numerous volunteer causes. She was a junior warden and member of the Altar Guild at Calvary Episcopal Church in Stonington. She served on the board of the Stonington Visiting Nurse Association. As a member of the Parent-Teacher Association of the former Old Mystic Elementary School, she helped start the school library.

She also served on the board of trustees for the Williams School in New London, where her daughters were educated. She was a Brownie troop leader in Old Mystic, where she and her family lived for 43 years before moving to Mason's Island following Bill's retirement in 2001. She lived out the rest of her life in the house where Bill had summered since 1928. Bill died in October 2005.

Rosalind loved the water, especially swimming, sailing and family picnics. For many years, she played bridge weekly with her closest friends. An avid Red Sox fan, she stayed up late to watch their games and knew their standing in the American League until her death.

She is survived by her four daughters, Margaret L. Jones and her husband, James Roy, of Mystic, Rosalind L. Jones and her husband, Peter Isquith, of Thetford, Vt., Amy J. Hallberg and her husband, J. Andrew Hallberg, of Mystic, and Natalie J. Mazel and her husband, Gregg Mazel, of Providence. Additional survivors include 10 grandchildren, Cyrus and Clancy Philbrick, Rozy and Tora Isquith, Gray, Sarah, Shepard, and Jackson Hallberg, and Nina and Lydia Mazel.

A funeral service will take place at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 1, at Calvary Church.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that donations may be made to Calvary Church, 27 Church St., Stonington, CT 06378, the Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center, P.O. Box 122, Mystic, CT 06355, or Hospice of Southeastern Connecticut, 227 Dunham St., Norwich, CT 06360.
OBITUARIES

Dr. William N. Jones

Mystic — William N. Jones, an orthopedic surgeon and World War II veteran whose love for the outdoors kept him hiking, skiing and sailing through his later years, died Sunday. He was 86.

Dr. Jones, who retired in 2001 after a 46-year practice, served at Westerly Hospital in Westerly R.I., Lawrence and Memorial Hospital in New London and Newington Children's Hospital. He loved his work, and had a passion for helping people, making house calls even after his retirement.

He and his wife, Rosalind, before moving to their home on Chippehaugh Trail, lived for 43 years at a house they restored in Old Mystic they named "Back-achers," a play on words reflecting both his profession and his propensity for hard physical work, particularly lifting large rocks.

William Nicholas Jones was born on Christmas Day in 1919 in Hackensack, N.J., the son of Amy Butler Jones and William Rand Jones.

It was while attending the Berkshire School in Sheffield, Mass., that he developed two passions that would endure throughout his life: a love of nature and music. Though he enjoyed climbing in the White Mountains of New Hampshire and elsewhere in New England, he often returned to the trails of the Berkshires where he spent his schoolboy days.

Joyed the challenges of moving huge pieces of granite and built steps, walls, and benches around the property. He would rig up elaborate systems of hoists, pulleys and crowbars, often enlisting the help of his daughters.

For pleasure, he would ski, skate, hike and sail, depending on the season. He climbed mountains with his wooden skis before ski lifts were popularized, played ice hockey whenever he could, and sailed competitively in his Ensign "Sbrina." Always eager to try a new sport, he took up windsurfing in his 70s.

"With Bill, everything was larger than life," said Belton Copp, of Old Lyme, a lifelong friend. Copp described Dr. Jones as an individual who played by his own rules but always did what he felt was right. Friends and family remember Dr. Jones as "Wild Bill" for his daring resourcefulness and perseverance. He was a colorful character who was passionate about everything he did. "He was also an excellent orthopedist," Copp said.
Dr. Jones played the violin in school and was awarded the Headmaster’s Prize. Later, while attending Amherst College in Amherst, Mass., from which he earned a bachelor’s degree in 1942, Dr. Jones performed in a double quartet and sang in the glee club.

Dr. Jones enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve in 1940, and was called to active duty during his senior year in 1941, one week after the attack on Pearl Harbor. He was with the First Marine Division when U.S. forces landed on Guadalcanal and one of the youngest officers to lead a troop of soldiers, most several years older, in the first heavy fighting against the Japanese.

After 66 months with the Marines, he left that branch of service and joined the Navy as a first lieutenant to become a naval aviator. The war ended before he earned his wings, so Dr. Jones resigned his commission and returned to medical school. He earned a medical degree from the University of Rochester in 1950, completed his internship at Rhode Island Hospital and his orthopedic residencies at Massachusetts General and Boston Children’s hospitals, and at West Haven Veteran’s Hospital, where he was chief resident.

Dr. Jones married the former Rosalind Loutril in South Orange, N.J., on Jan. 7, 1866, after which the couple moved to Old Mystic. When he wasn’t mending bones, he was setting stones, and often worked outside under the moonlight. He en-
Obituary

Mrs. Arthur B. Jopson

Mrs. Clara Belle Jopson, widow of the Rev. Arthur B. Jopson, died on the morning of Christmas Day at her home on State Street. Although she had not been in robust health for many years, her death was as unexpected as it was quiet.

Mrs. Jopson was born October 16, 1876, in Wardboro, Vt., daughter of Addison J. Martin and Helen Smith Martin. After her marriage to Mr. Jopson, she made her home in several Vermont towns where he had pastorate — Belmont, Union Village, and Fairlee. The family came to Connecticut in 1913 when Mr. Jopson accepted the pastorate of the North Madison Congregational Church. They moved to Guilford several years later.

While Mrs. Jopson was so quiet, a personality that not many knew her well, she was very fond of children, and there are many Guilford youngsters — now grown-ups — who can attest to her kindness and her friendly help with the problems that arise in childhood activities. Her letters also were of great comfort to many older people in times of trouble.

Surviving Mrs. Jopson are three sons, H. Raymond Jopson of Guilford, whose devotion and that of his wife assured a good home for his mother during her declining years; Burton W. Jopson of Stonington; and Homer R. Jopson of Middletown. She also leaves three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; and a brother, John A. Martin of Brattleboro, Vt.

Private funeral services were conducted Tuesday morning by the Rev. William V. North of the First Congregational Church at the Leete Funeral Home. Burial was in West Side Cemetery, Guilford.
David Jopson


Born in Westerly, he was the son of the late Burton and Martha (Stinson) Jopson and lived in Stonington all of his life.

He retired as a CW3 in March of 1993, from the CT Army National Guard 1109th AVCRAD where he was an aircraft technician, inspector, leader and rifleman.

He received the Bronze Star for his dedicated service in Desert Storm in 1991.

David was a member of the VFW Hugo Simonelli Post 3263 Mystic and the New England Blacksmiths.

He also enjoyed carpentry, reading and photography, carrying his camera wherever he went.

Besides his wife, he leaves four children, Tabitha DeVeau and her husband, Timothy, of Groton, Daniel Jopson and his wife, Mouang, of Mystic, Joel Jopson of Pawcatuck and his companion, Karen Roby of Ledyard, and Micah Jopson of Stonington and his companion, Melissa Whited of Griswold; a sister, Marilyn Wilson of Vernon; eight grandchildren, Samantha D’Amico, Alden D’Amico III, Finian and Theodore DeVeau, and Jonathan, Connor, Avery and Carter Jopson; his niece, Pamela Legare; and three nephews, Stephen and Kevin Kessler, and Jason Whipple.

He was predeceased by a sister, Jeannette Whipple, and a niece, Kimberly Shinault.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 19, 2010, at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 20, 2010, at the funeral home. Burial will follow with full military honors at Stonington Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, www.cff.org or to the American Cancer Society, www.cancer.org.

The Jopson family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to share an online message of condolence.
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G. Jeanette Jordan

Mystic — G. Jeannette (Grimstead) Jordan, of Ocean View Avenue, Mystic, passed Saturday at Mystic Manor Nursing & Rehabilitation Center. She was 89.

Mrs. Jordan was born in South Norfolk, Va., on Feb. 27, 1916, the daughter of Angus and Jessie (Paige) Grimstead. A resident of Mystic for several years, she and her husband also enjoyed a home in Stockbridge, Vt.

She was employed as an appointment clerk at the former New London office of the State of Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles for many years before retiring in 1978.

She was a member of St. Mark’s Episcopal Church and the church’s quilting guild. She was also a member of the Order of Eastern Star. She also enjoyed gardening.

Her husband, Leander M. Jordan, died March 21, 1981.

Mrs. Jordan leaves her sons, Gregory L. Jordan, of Stonington, Gilbert F. Jordan, of Pawcatuck, and John J. Jordan, of Groton; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Her family will greet relatives and friends at The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl Street, Historic downtown Mystic on Thursday from 1 to 1:45 p.m. with a service following at 2 p.m. Burial will be in Elm Grove Cemetery.

Donations in her memory may be made to a charity of the donor’s choice.

For obituary information, directions, or to send an online condolence/rememberance to her family please visit www.dinotofuneral.com.
Charles Joseph
Mystic — Charles John Joseph, 86, of Mystic, died peacefully on Thursday, Nov 11, 2004, at the Groton Regency.

Born Aug. 1, 1918, in Stonington, he was the son of Manuel E. and Frida (Kleburg) Joseph. In his youth, “Charlie,” as he was known to his teachers and classmates, loved all kinds of tools and cared for them well. The Broadway Beacon noted “neat and polite, always knows just what is right.”

A commercial fisherman, Mr. Joseph fished out of Stonington along with family members from 1941 through 1956. In 1966, he went to work for Davis-Standard as a machine assembler. The company, later known as Crompton-Knowles, was his employer from 1966 until his retirement in 1983.

He was a member of the Westerly Camera Club in the 1960s. As a member he received numerous awards for his color slides. His love of photography continued throughout his lifetime. Other hobbies included an active role in CB radio with many hours, particularly in airtime with his friends, were devoted to the pastime.

Mr. Joseph married Virginia Belle Bogue on Sept. 29, 1939, at the local Methodist parsonage.

Besides his wife of 65 years, he leaves two children, Susan J. Briggs of Westerly and Richard L. Joseph of Mystic; six grandchildren, Michael Briggs, James Briggs, Karen Wilson, James Joseph, Richard M. Joseph, and Michelle Edwards; several great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews; and two sisters, Kathleen McElravy of Calif., and Mary Donahy of Fla.

The family invites relatives and friends to join them for a graveside funeral service at 2 p.m. on Monday at Elm Grove Cemetery, Route 27, Mystic. Visitation is private.

Donations in his memory may be made to Mystic River Ambulance Association, PO Box 64, West Mystic CT 06388.

For obituary information, call
Edwin P. Joseph Sr., 96, formerly of Batterson Avenue, Westerly, died surrounded by his family, July 4, 2007, in the Watch Hill Care & Rehab. Center. He was the husband of the late Minnie (Strafach) Joseph.

Born in Stonington, he was the son of the late Frank and Clara Joseph.

Mr. Joseph had been employed as a dye house worker at the Bradford Dyeing Association until retiring in the mid 1970s. He enjoyed fishing, woodworking, gardening and spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He leaves one son, Edwin P. "Sonny" Joseph Jr. of Florida; three daughters, Clara Gencarella and Margaret Gentry, both of Westerly, and Rose Gentry of Lavonia, Ga.; 13 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was predeceased by two brothers, William and Fred Joseph.

All services will be private and held at the convenience of the family. Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly, is in charge of the arrangements.
OBITUARIES

Virginia Joseph

Virginia Joseph, 82, of 24 Water St., Stonington, died Tuesday, Nov. 19, 1981, at a hospital in New London.

She was born in Stonington, April 3, 1906, the daughter of Joseph F. and Charlotte Aurelio Joseph.

Ms. Joseph was an honors graduate of Stonington High School and an honors graduate of the University of Chicago and New York University. She taught mathematics at the former Williams Institute in New London.

From 1941 to 1952 she did cryptographic work for the armed forces of the United States in Washington, D.C., retiring in 1952. She was a member of the Connecticut College Alumni Association, a member of the United Church of Christ, and a member of the Church of St. Luke in Stonington.

Ms. Joseph was a former secretary and treasurer of the church's Women's Guild.

She was a member of the Community Church of Westerly, the Mystic Marine Historical Association, the Lyman Allyn Art Museum, and the Woman's Club of Eastern Star. She had also worked as a volunteer at the thrift shop operated by the Stonington Community Center.

Her only survivors are three nieces, Charlotte Rittenhouse of Pawcatuck, Frances Solomon of Miami, Fla., and Jane Besse of Brainerd, Mass.

The funeral service will be held at the United Church of Stonington, Main Street, Stonington, Friday at 1 p.m. Interment will be in Stonington Cemetery.

Relatives and friends may call at her late residence Thursday at their convenience. Contributions may be made in her memory to the Mystic Memorial Hospital, 500 Montauk Ave., New London, 06320. The Thomas L. Nielan & Sons Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.

Last Rites Conducted

FOR MISS C. N. JOSEPH

STONINGTON — A funeral service was conducted Monday afternoon at the Second Congregational Church for Miss C. N. Joseph, who died Thursday in Boston.

The service was conducted by the Rev. Charles E. Worchester and organist was Mrs. J. O. Cheadle. The service was in the family plot in Stonington Cemetery.

Heirs were Benjamin Harrison, Burrows E. Perry, Walter E. Bearden, Joseph Smith, Donald Holland and Samuel Smith.
Frederick S. Joseph


Mr. Joseph was born in Stonington, son of the late Frank C. and Clara (DeSantos) Joseph. He graduated from Stonington High School with the Class of 1936. While at Stonington High School, he was president of his class for three years, and later was active in organizing class reunions.

He had been employed at the former Cottrell Company then at the Harris Corporation retiring as supervisor in 1978. He was a member of the Cottrell Company Quarter Century Club and former president of the Cottrell Credit Union. He was chairman of the Boy Scouts of America Troop 9 of St. Michael Church, Pawcatuck, and an avid golfer for 50 years at the Pequot Golf Course in Stonington.


He was predeceased by a brother, William Joseph.

Calling hours will be held Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Pawcatuck. There is no procession from the funeral home. Interment will be in St. Michael Cemetery, Pawcatuck.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations in his memory be made to Hospice of Southeastern Connecticut, 179 Gallivan Lane, P.O. Box 902, Uncasville, CT 06382-0902.
Pawcatuck — John W. Joseph, 66, of Pawcatuck, passed away at the home of his daughter on Sunday, June 20, 2010, Father’s Day.

He was born Aug. 7, 1943, in Westerly, son of Rose (Pelletier) Joseph and the late William Joseph.

In addition to his mother, John is survived by his daughter, Sally (Joseph) Pucci and her husband, Stewart, of Westerly, with whom he spent his final weeks; granddaughters Alanna DeFelice and Caitlin Pucci of Westerly; brother William Joseph and his wife, Beverly, of Waterford and brother Joseph Joseph of Hopewell, Va. He is also survived by four nieces and their families. John is also survived by his special friends at C.C. O’Brien’s.

John enjoyed his boat immensely and had a true love of fishing. His favorite days were spent out on the water with friends and family. He was also an ardent fan of the Boston Red Sox and was happy to be able to see his team win a World Series.

There will be a private memorial service at a later date. Friends are welcome to join the family in celebrating John’s life at 5 p.m. Wednesday, June 23, at C.C. O’Brien’s.

Donations in his memory can be made to Home and Hospice Care of Rhode Island, 1085 N. Main St., Providence, RI 02904.
Margaret P. Joseph

Margaret P. Joseph, 92, wife of the late Frederick S. Joseph, of Elaine Street, Pawcatuck, passed away in Mystic on March 1, 2011.

Born in Pawcatuck, she was a daughter of the late Joseph and Mary Parkinson.

Margaret worked as a secretary for the Stonington School Department for 25 years until her retirement. She was a communicant of St. Michael Church, a member of the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center, Professional Women’s Business Association, and a member of St. Michael’s Ladies Guild.

Margaret and Fred enjoyed many trips to Europe. In their retirement years they divided their time between Pawcatuck and Marco Island, Fla.


Margaret was predeceased by a brother, Frank Parkinson; a sister, Lillian Laing; and two grandchildren, Michael E. Joseph and Krista Schutt.

Visiting hours will be held Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. in Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. A funeral liturgy will be held on Saturday at 10 a.m. in St. Michael the Archangel Church, 60 Liberty St., Pawcatuck. There is no procession from the funeral home to the church. Burial will follow in St. Michael Cemetery, Pawcatuck.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to St. Michael the Archangel Church, 60 Liberty St., Pawcatuck, CT 06379 or Beacon Hospice, Inc., 12 Roosevelt Ave., 2nd Floor, Mystic, CT 06355, in Margaret’s memory.

For online condolences, go to www.gaffneydolafuneralhome.com.
Vera Joseph
Stonington — Vera Mae Bailey Joseph, 96, of Liberty Street, Pawcatuck, died early Monday morning at the Mystic Manor Rehabilitation and Nursing Center following a lengthy illness.

She was born on May 9, 1925, in Olamon, Maine, the daughter of Joseph D. and Annie J. Sparrow Bailey.


She was raised in Maine and attended local schools. She was a graduate of Gilman Business College in Bangor, Maine.

Mrs. Joseph was a member of the Union Baptist Church in Mystic, where she was active in Women’s Fellowship. In 1989, the church honored her for her years of service as the Sunshine chairperson for the fellowship.

She is survived by her son, Daniel B. Joseph of Niantic; a daughter, Mary J. Hill of Mystic; a sister, Arlene B. Donovan of Coventry; five grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her sister, Evelyn B. Bruce.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Union Baptist Church, Mystic. Private burial will precede the service at Stonington Cemetery.

There are no calling hours.

Memorial contributions may be made to Visiting Nurse Association of Southeastern Connecticut, Stonington Visiting Nurse Association, P.O. Box 264, Waterford, CT 06385 or to Union Baptist Church, 118 High St., Mystic, CT 06355.

The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., has charge of arrangements.
PAWCATUCK — Vera Mae Bailey Joseph, 96, of Liberty Street, died early Monday morning, Jan. 10, at Mystic Manor Rehabilitation and Nursing Center after an extended illness.

She was born May 9, 1903, in Oramon, Maine, the daughter of Joseph D. and Annie J. Sparrow Bailey. Raised in Maine, she attended local schools and graduated from Gilman Business College in Bangor.

She married Raymond M. Joseph on July 1, 1925, in Stonington. Mr. Joseph died May 31, 1972.

Mrs. Joseph was a member of Union Baptist Church, Mystic, where she was active in Women’s Fellowship. In 1989, the church honored her for her years of service as the sunshine chairperson for the fellowship.

Mrs. Joseph is survived by her son, Daniel B. Joseph of Niantic; a daughter, Mary J. Hill of Mystic; a sister, Arlene B. Donovan of Coventry; five grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren. She was preceded by a sister, Evelyn B. Bruns.

Services were held Wednesday. DiNoto Funeral Home, Mystic, was in charge of arrangements.

Gifts in Mrs. Joseph’s memory may be made to the Visiting Nurses Association of Southeastern Connecticut, P.O. Box 264, Waterford, CT 06385; or to Union Baptist Church, 118 High St., Mystic, CT 06355.
OBITUARIES

Virginia Joseph

Virginia Joseph, of the United Church of St. Mark, 73, of 205th Street, North St. Petersburg, Fla., formerly of Chelsea, Conn., was a member of the St. Petersburg Alumnae Association. She was a member of the St. Petersburg Garden Club and a member of the Garden Club of Florida. She was a member of the United Church of St. Mark, 73, of 205th Street, North St. Petersburg, Fla., formerly of Chelsea, Conn., and a member of the Garden Club of Florida. She was a member of the Garden Club of Florida.

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Obituary for Miss C. N. Joseph

STONINGTON — A funeral service was conducted Monday afternoon at the First Congregational Church for Miss C. N. Joseph, who died Thursday in Boston. The service was conducted by the Rev. Carlton E. Worthington and was attended by many friends. Miss Joseph was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Joseph, and was the second of four children. She was a member of the Garden Club of Florida and the St. Mark's Garden Club. Miss Joseph was a member of the Garden Club of Florida and the St. Mark's Garden Club.

Funeral arrangements are in charge of the Williams Funeral Home, 19th Street, Stonington.
Miss Virginia Joseph

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Virginia (Spencer) Joseph, of 2000 54th St. North, formerly of Stonington and a former teacher in the area, died Tuesday in St. Petersburg after a long illness.

Born Sept. 20, 1906 in Stonington, she was the daughter of Joseph F. and Charlotte (Aurelio) Joseph.

She graduated from Stonington High School in 1926 and Connecticut College in 1930.

Miss Joseph had been a teacher at Norwich Free Academy and then Stonington High School, and was last employed at the Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. in Boston and Tampa, Fla.

She moved to Florida 26 years ago. She was a former member of the United Church of Stonington and the Connecticut College Alumni Association.

Among those she leaves are a sister, Frances M. Joseph of Stonington.
**Virginia Joseph**

**Mystic** — Virginia Belle Joseph, 95, of Mystic died peacefully on Monday, May 2, 2016, at Mystic Healthcare and Rehabilitation.

She was born on Jan. 8, 1921, in Mystic.


Prior to her marriage, she worked at Mystic Laundry. She enjoyed her home, gardening and flowers, music, helping others, and her family. At the nursing home, she was known as “Miss Congeniality.”

She leaves two children, Susan J. Briggs of Westerly and Richard L. Joseph and his wife, Gwen A. Joseph, of Mystic. She also is survived by six grandchildren, Michael Briggs, James Briggs, Karen Wilson, James Joseph, Richard M. Joseph and Michelle Edwards; as well as several great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, she was predeceased by her sisters, Ernestine Arnold and Irene Schroeter.

The family would like to extend its gratitude to the nurses and staff at Mystic Healthcare for their loving care of Virginia over the past 12 years.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a graveside funeral service at 1 p.m. on Friday, May 6, at Elm Grove Cemetery, Route 27, Mystic. Visitation is private.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Mystic Healthcare Residents Recreation Fund, 475 High St., Mystic.

The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic is assisting the family. 5-5-16
William Joseph

William Norton Joseph of Greenhaven Road, Pawcatuck, husband of Rose (Pelletier) Joseph, died at the Watch Hill Road Convalescent Home Friday at the age of 68.

Mr. Joseph retired a year ago from the Electric Boat Division of the General Dynamics Corp., where he had been employed for 15 years as a machinist. He previously operated a machine shop in Stonington that serviced the Stonington fishing fleet.

A native of Stonington, he was born June 9, 1908, a son of the late Frank C. and Clara (DeSantos). He is survived by his wife; three sons, Joseph F. Joseph of Stonington, John S. Joseph of Pawcatuck and William N. Joseph Jr. of Groton; two brothers, Edwin Joseph of Westerly and Frederick Joseph of Pawcatuck; and two grandchildren.

The funeral will be held from the Shea-Williams Funeral Home, 110 West Broad St., Pawcatuck, tomorrow morning at 8:45 with a mass of Christian burial in St. Mary's Church, Stonington, at 9:15. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Calling hours will be held from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

JOSEPH — At Watch Hill, Friday, Sept. 20, 1974, William Norton Joseph, 66, of Greenhaven Road, Pawcatuck. Funeral services will be conducted Monday at 9:45 a.m. from the Shea-Williams Funeral Home, 110 West Broad St., Pawcatuck with a mass of Christian burial at St. Mary Church, Stonington at 9:15. Burial will be in St. Mary Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home Sunday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

1907, he was a son of the late Francis and Julia (Silva) Stuart.
An active and engaged member of her community, Caroline was a founding member of the Salt Marsh Opera Company, currently serving as guild chair. Caroline was also an active member of The Herb Society of CT and the Wadawanuck Club. She enjoyed serving as chief communications officer for WACCOs, an informal network of Stonington women. Caroline was also instrumental in making the McCort Memorial Garden (in honor of those lost in the Sept. 11th tragedy) a reality. She loved the arts, opera, animals, travel, bridge and flower arranging. Caroline’s creativity, kindness, generosity, determination, style, wit and humor, caring and love of friends and family is what she will be remembered for most of all.

She is survived by her three devoted children, John Bingham Joss of Charlottesville, Va., Caroline Hubbard Joss of Washington, D.C., and Elizabeth Forrest Joss of Pawcatuck. Her three loving grandchildren are Rosemary Cathleen Joss, Forrest Christina Joss and John Nichols Schadegg. She leaves two sisters, Cornelia B. Boland and Cata N. Bingham; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

A memorial service in her honor will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 12, at Calvary Episcopal Church in Stonington Borough.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Salt Marsh Opera Company, P.O. Box 227, Stonington, CT 06378 and the Poodle Rescue of New England, P.O. Box 441447, Somerville, MA 02144-0012 (poodlerescue@poodlerescue.org).

The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, is assisting the family.

Caroline Joss

Caroline grew up in Washington, D.C., where she attended the National Cathedral School for Girls. She graduated from Indiana University in Bloomington with a bachelor’s degree in education. She lived in Seattle, Wash., Sao Paulo, Brazil and Pittsburgh, Pa., before moving to Stonington, where she settled in 1980.

As the owner of “Just Desserts, Etc.” in Stonington Borough, Caroline was renowned as a full-line caterer for the past 20 years. She continued to teach and serve as an enrichment coordinator at the Regional Multicultural Magnet School (RMMS) in New London.
Caroline Bingham Joss, born September 15, 1934, passed away on September 23, 2013. She is survived by her three devoted children: John Bingham Joss of Charlottesville, VA, Caroline Hubbard Joss of Washington, DC, and Elizabeth Forrest Joss, of Pawcatuck, CT. Her three loving grandchildren are Rosemary Cathleen Joss, Forrest Christina Joss, and John Nichols Schadegg. She leaves two sisters, Cornelia B. Boland and Cata Bingham, as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family, and friends.

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Paul Jowdy

Stonington — Paul Mark Jowdy, 60, of Stonington, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2016 at home.

He was born on July 26, 1955, in Norwich, to Jeanette (Socha) Jowdy and the late Albert P. Jowdy Sr. Paul was a graduate of Norwich Regional Technical School and Thames Valley State Technical College. He received an electrical engineering degree and worked at Chespel Inc., Whelen Engineering, Mystic Color Lab, and TELAID. He worked in Chester, Essex, Mystic and Niantic during his career.

For the past 20 years, Paul enjoyed living in Stonington. He enjoyed going down to Stonington borough for morning coffee. He was a fan of UConn Husky basketball and always looked forward to attending local art festivals.

Paul was a loving son, brother and uncle who enjoyed the many family celebrations at his sister’s home. He was always interested in what his nieces and nephews were doing.

Besides his loving mother, he is survived by a sister, Catherine Driscoll and her husband, James, of Waterford; brothers, Albert Jowdy of Norwich and Michael Jowdy; and a sister, Valerie Chapman and her husband, Lawrence, of Old Lyme. He also leaves behind nieces and nephew, Jacqueline Driscoll of Royal Oak, Mich., Caitlin Chapman of Denver, Colo., Shannon Chapman of Wellesley, Mass., Jennifer Chapman of Hamden and Daniel Chapman of Old Lyme; as well as several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services were held at the convenience of the family. Burial will be scheduled for a later date.

Please visit www.labenskifuneralhome.com to leave an online condolence for the Jowdy family.
Indianapolis, Ind. — Emily F. Joyce, 101, born Emily Graham Flippin, in Dallas on April 12, 1907, died on June 19, 2008. Mrs. Joyce was a graduate of Miss Porter's School in Farmington, the French School for Girls, and the American Academy of the Dramatic Arts, both in New York City.

She was acclaimed for her leading roles on Broadway, having a short, but distinguished career prior to her marriage to Albert Goodloe Joyce Jr.

She was a longtime resident of Pelham Manor, N.Y., where she served as president of the Junior League, D.A.R., the Manor Club, and a number of civic organizations.

She later made her home in Stonington, Conn., and Hendersonville, N.C. Her last 14 years were spent in Indianapolis with her daughter, Caroline J. Farrar.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 55 years and her daughter, Nancy J. Baquié.

She is survived by two daughters, Emily J. Sanders of Athens, Ga., and Caroline J. Farrar of Indianapolis, Ind., ten grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

A memorial celebration will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 12, at the home of Mrs. Farrar, 5302 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis IN 46220.
In addition to her husband, she leaves five children, Patricia Joyce-Peteler and her husband, Charles, of Cornville, Maine; Joseph D. Joyce and his wife, Elizabeth, of North Stonington; Michael Joyce of Pawcatuck, Mary Joyce Stammel and her husband, Robert, of Pawcatuck and Paul Joyce and his wife, Susan, of South Windsor; seven grandchildren, David Tassias and his wife, Connie; Thomas Tassias and his wife, Amanda; Erin Peteler; Liberty Joyce and his wife, Jacqueline; Galen Joyce; Shane Joyce and his wife, Gelana; and Tristan Stammel; five great-grandchildren; brother-in-law, Richard Payson of Massachusetts; several nieces and nephews; and Margaret Austin who was considered her “other daughter.”

Her family will receive friends from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 29, at Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic (St Williams Ave). Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at the funeral home. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association (www.alz.org) or to the American Heart Association (www.heart.org).

Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online expression of sympathy and for directions to the funeral home.

Hazel Joyce

Born in Springfield, Mass., she was the daughter of the late Elmer and Laverne (Sullivan) Graves and lived in Mystic since 1954.

Hazel was a registered nurse for many years. She was employed at The Weyersly Hospital and later with the Stonington school system up until her retirement in 1989.

She was a parishioner at St. Patrick Church in Mystic and was a longtime member of the Daughters of Isabella and the Quilambaugh Ladies Auxiliary. One of Hazel’s favorite activities was camping. She was a Boston Red Sox fan and enjoyed reciting poetry. She was also proud of her strong Irish heritage.

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Michelle Joyce

Pawcatuck — Michelle Joyce, 41, gently passed away on Nov. 7, 2008, after a brief illness. She is survived by her husband, Stacey Joyce and son, Jacob Joyce of Pawcatuck; her parents, Pat and Fred Stutzer of Colorado; sister, Rhonda Floyd of Colorado; mother-in-law, Sandra Joyce of Groton; father-in-law, Frank Joyce of Florida, and brother-in-law, Scott Joyce of Groton.

A 1999 graduate of Three Rivers Community College, Michelle enjoyed her time committed to family, friends and touching lives by providing service to the TVCCA Senior Care Program, assisting in group homes for the developmentally or physically disabled and had recently enrolled in Fall classes to pursue a career in Nursing.

Michelle was a loving, caring and giving mother, wife, daughter, sister and friend, known by many and loved by all. She will be missed for her wonderful spirit, loving nature and her ability to provide the “best hugs” ever.

A Mass will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 15, 2008, at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Gales Ferry, followed by a fellowship gathering at the church hall.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests donations be made to the Terri Brodeur Breast Cancer Foundation, P.O. Box 785, New London, CT 06320.
Thomas Jurgiewicz
Mystic — Thomas S. Jurgiewicz, 58, of Loma Linda, Calif., formerly of Mystic and North Stonington, died of heart disease April 20 at home.
Mr. Jurgiewicz was born Aug. 23, 1939, in New Haven.
He was in the Navy for four years.
Before moving to Loma Linda, Mr. Jurgiewicz was a resident of Mystic from 1959 to 1972 and a resident of North Stonington from 1972-1982. He owned Janeiro's Variety Store in Mystic with his wife. Beforehand, he worked for Electric Boat as a quality control supervisor for 20 years. He also worked as a quality control manager for Cunico Corp. in Wilmington, Calif.

In addition to his wife, Elaine Janiero Jurgiewicz, he is survived by two sons, Mark T. and John T. Jurgiewicz, both of Riverside, Calif.; two daughters, Cheryl Christian of Corona, Calif., and Karen Jurgiewicz of Lake Forest, Calif.; and seven grandchildren.
A funeral service was held April 23 at Montecito Memorial Park, Colton, Calif. Burial was in Montecito Memorial Park.
Montecito Mortuary was in charge of the arrangements.