Mrs. Slade Dies Suddenly

STONINGTON—Mrs. Grace C. Slade, 82, of 70 Elm St., died early this morning at the Westerly Hospital after she was stricken, apparently while trying to reach the home of a neighbor.

She was found on the front walk of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Angus B. Chesbro of 68 Elm St., by John Simone of Crandall Ave., Misquamicut, a milkman, who was making his rounds. He notified police. Patrolmen William Woodall and Alton Greene called the Stonington Ambulance, which took her to the Westerly Hospital. She died there shortly after admittance.

Dr. Roger N. Fowler, Stonington medical examiner, said death was due to natural causes and exposure. She had been in ill health for some time, police said.

Mrs. Slade was born in Stonington, March 2, 1890, daughter of Jabez and Eliza Irons Chesbro. She had lived here all her life.

She held membership in the United Church. There are no immediate survivors.

Funeral arrangements are being completed by the Williams Funeral Home, Stonington.

Aged Woman Dies; Found On Sidewalk

PAWCATUCK — The cause of death of an 82-year-old Stonington woman, who was found lying on the sidewalk of a neighbor's home about 6 o'clock Monday morning, was given as over-exposure and natural causes by Dr. Bruno P. Agnew, medical examiner for Washington county.

Mrs. Grace C. Slade of 70 Elm St., widow of Allen C. Slade, died at the Westerly Hospital about two hours after being found by John Simone of 70 Crandall Ave., Misquamicut, who was delivering milk. She was wearing a sweater and apparently was stricken while attempting to enter the home of Mr. and Mrs. Angus B. Chesbro, neighbors who have taken care of her business dealings in recent years.

Mrs. Slade was taken to the Westerly hospital in the Stonington ambulance. Patrolman William Woodall, who investigated, said she was breathing when placed in the ambulance. She could not have been lying on the walk for more than 45 minutes, the officer said, since he and Patrolman Alton S. Greene had cruised past the Chesbro home about 5:10 a.m.

Police said Mrs. Slade had been under medical care in recent months.

She was born March 2, 1890, in Stonington, daughter of the late Jabez and Eliza Irons Chesbro. She was a member of the United church of Stonington. There are no immediate relatives.
Mrs. Grace Slade of Elm St.
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Stricken, Dies at Hospital

An 82-year-old Stonington woman died at The Westerly Hospital this morning, about two hours after she had been found by a milkman lying on the walk leading to a neighbor's house.

Patrolman William Woodall of the Stonington police department said the elderly woman, Mrs. Grace C. Slade of 70 Elm Street, wore only a sweater for an outer garment when found about 6 a.m. by John Simone of 78 Crandall Avenue, Misquamicut, who was delivering milk for Consumer's Dairy.

Mrs. Slade, who had been under treatment for hardening of the arteries, apparently was going to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Angus B. Chesbro when stricken. She was on the walk leading to the Chesbro home when found.

She was taken in the Stonington Ambulance to The Westerly Hospital and died about 7:30 a.m., police said. Dr. Bruno F. Appell of Westerly, a medical examiner for Washington County, ruled death by natural causes and overexposure, according to the police report.

Mr. and Mrs. Chesbro take care of Mrs. Slade's business, Patrolman Woodall explained, but they said she had never come to their home as early as 6 a.m.

Police theorize Mrs. Slade had been lying on the walk less than an hour. Patrolmen Woodall and Aldean S. Greene went past the Chesbro house on patrol at 5:10 a.m. and she was not seen on the street or walk at that time.

Mrs. Slade was born in Stonington on March 2, 1889, daughter of the late Jobe and Eliza (Irwin) Chesbro, and remained a lifelong resident of the community.

Her late husband, Allen C. Slade, died in 1938.

Mrs. Slade was a member of the United Church of Stonington.

She leaves no immediate survivors.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Williams Funeral Home, 314 Main Street Stonington.
Robert Slater

Stonington — MSG (Ret.) Robert A. Slater, 69, of Pawcatuck, husband of Frances "Sifkin" Slater, passed away Sunday, July 22, 2012, at Gladeview Rehab & Health Care Center in Old Saybrook.

Born in New London, he was the son of the late H.J. "Bob" Slater and Helen "Bromley" Slater of Mystic.

Bob served his country from 1965 to 2008 as a member of the Army National Guard. During this time, he received numerous honors and medals. He served in Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom, spending a year in Kuwait.

He was a member of the GWRA (Gold Wing Road Riders Association), Hook & Ladder Fire Co., and was a life member of VFW Hugo Simonelli Post 3263, Mystic. He was a cubmaster with Pack 37 and scoutmaster with the former Troop 6. In addition, he also enjoyed watching NASCAR, camping, boating, rebuilding cars and motorcycling. His family will remember him as a family man, always putting his love for his family above everything else. He will be deeply missed, especially by his five beloved grandchildren who meant the world to him.

Besides his wife and mother, he leaves his two sons, Andrew W. Slater and his wife, Ami, of Manchester, and Michael A. Slater and his wife, Susan, of Andover; sister, Janice Wilson and her husband, Edward, of Griswold; five grandchildren, Logan Wareham, Nathan, Margaret Anne, Nicholas and Benjamin Slater; sister-in-law, Lee Anderson of Hebron; brother-in-law, Norman Shifkin and his wife, Susan, of New Smyrna Beach, Fla.; and two nieces and two nephews.

He was predeceased by his two infant daughters, Karen Beth and Kathleen Marie Slater.

A celebration of his life will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 26, at the First United Methodist Church, Willow Street, Mystic. Burial with full military honors will follow at Elm Grove Cemetery, Route 27, Mystic. His family will receive friends from 5 to 8 p.m. today, July 25, at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, 51 Williams Ave., Mystic.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association (www.alz.org) or to the First United Methodist Church, 23 Willow St., Mystic. CT 06355.

Please visit www.mystic-funeralhome.com to leave an online message of condolence.
Miss Sliney

Miss Marguerite B. Sliney, for many years the visiting nurse in the Stonington area, died this morning at the Nutmeg Pavilion, New London.

A resident of Stonington for about 50 years, Miss Sliney was for many years the only visiting nurse for the Borough of Stonington, and retired from the Stonington Visiting Nurse Assoc. in 1962 after 40 years' service.

She was also a former registrar of voters, a member of St. Mary's Church of Stonington, a member of Nina Circle, Daughters of Isabella, and member of the Stonington Ambulance Corps.

Born in Norwich, she was a daughter of the late William H. and Mary Louise (Conner) Sliney. She was raised and educated in Norwich, and graduated from St. Joseph's Training School of Nursing, Willimantic.

There are no immediate survivors.

The funeral will be held from Flynn Funeral Home, 41 East Main St., Mystic, Wednesday at 9:15 a.m. with a mass of Christian burial in St. Mary's Church at 10. Interment will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Norwich. Calling house will be held tomorrow from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.


Funeral will be held from Flynn Funeral Home, 41 E. Main St., Mystic, Wednesday, Nov. 12, at 9:15 a.m. to a mass of Christian burial in St. Mary's Church, Stonington, at 10 a.m.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Interment in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Norwich.

Friends may call at the funeral home Tuesday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.

Donations in her memory may be made to St. Mary's Church, Stonington, or St. Edmund's Novitiate, Enders Island, Mystic.
Donald Slingsby

Old Mystic — Mr. Donald "Don" Slingsby, 97, born on Oct. 16, 1931, in Pomona, Calif., to the late Myrtle Slingsby, passed away on Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2018, at Lawrence + Memorial Hospital.

Don served in the Navy and worked many years at General Dynamics before starting his own company.

He was the beloved partner of Arlene Vogel; and loving husband of the late Louise (Parson).

He was preceded in death by his sibling, Woody Johnson; and his grandson, Matthew.

Donald is survived by his son, Dall Slingsby (Marie); and daughters, Donna Anhalt (Mike), DiAnn Marker (Jack) and Denise Moore (Kevin); and his grandchildren, Mandy, Marni, Jeff, Marie, Donovan, Perry and Curran; and four great-grandchildren. He will be missed.

A celebration of life will be held on a future date.
John E. Sloan, 69
Member of Old Mystic Fire Department

MYSTIC — John William Sloan, 69, of Yetter Road, died Saturday morning, March 15, at Mariner Healthcare at Pendleton in Mystic after a brief illness.

He was born in Somerville, N.J., on March 9, 1928, the son of John W. Sloan and Alice Clarke Sloan. Raised in Mystic, he attended local schools and graduated from Fitch Senior High School in 1946. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

He was employed for several years at Electric Boat, first working as a forklift operator and later as a mail carrier. He retired in 1993. He also worked as a propane service man for Hendel’s Petroleum in Groton for more than 25 years.

Mr. Sloan was a longtime member of the Old Mystic Fire Department and the Old Mystic Fire Police Association. He was a member of the Groton City Bowlers Friday Evening League for the past 37 years. An avid outdoorsman, he enjoyed gardening.

He married Elaine Marvin at the Colchester Federated Church on April 4, 1959.

Besides his wife, Mr. Sloan is survived by two daughters, Julie S. Joaquin of Colchester and Ellen S. McCaskill of Houston, Texas; a brother, Donald Sloan of Mystic; three sisters, Dorothy Pullicino of Jacksonville, N.C., Jean Moran of Wallingford, and Alice Morse of Derby; and two grandchildren.

The funeral service was held at Mystic Congregational Church on Tuesday, March 18. Burial is in Elm Grove Cemetery. The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial gifts in Mr. Sloan’s name may be made to the Community Cancer Center, c/o Lawrence & Memorial Hospital, 365 Montauk Ave., New London 06320.
Sheila Slocum
Stonington — Sheila (Gaudet) Slocum, 67, of Shawondasse Drive, Stonington, died Saturday, Oct. 9, at her home surrounded by her family and close friends after a courageous battle with cancer.

She was born in Bridgeport on Feb. 24, 1937, the daughter of the late Winfred J. Gaudet and the granddaughters of the late Mabel G. Ackley.

She graduated in 1955 with the last class from the old Fitch High School in Groton and worked as a bookkeeper at the Groton Bank on Thames Street.


Mrs. Slocum had been employed as a teacher's aide at the Deans Mill School in Stonington for over 25 years. She so enjoyed working with the precious children and was an avid puzzle assembler and game player. She had a great love for music, and in her youth as a member of the Poquonnock Bridge Baptist Church, she sang in the choir; and was also a soloist of the choir. She dabbled at playing the piano.

In addition to her husband of 49 years, she is survived by three sons, Walter K. Slocum III and his wife, Pam, of Pawcatuck, Mark J. Slocum and his wife, Harriet, of Newport News, Va., and Kevin J. Slocum and his wife, Kris, of Stonington, a daughter, Betha L. Slocum of Stonington; grandchildren, Samantha, Chloe, Jordan, Quinn, Bailey, Avery, Welton, and Noel; one great-grandson, Zackery; a sister, Norma G. Ravanelle, and her husband, Richard, of Groton; nephew, Richard H. Ravanelle Jr.; and nieces, Nancy R. Fleming of Ledyard and Marsha R. Van Dyne of Voluntown.

For those whose lives she graced, her love for her family was legendary, and she will be forever in their hearts.

Relatives and friends may call at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, on Tuesday from 5 to 8 p.m. A private memorial service and burial will be at the convenience of the family.

Contributions may be made in her memory to the Stonington Ambulance Corps, P.O. Box 424, Stonington, CT 06378, or to the Community Cancer Center, 365 Montauk Avenue, New London, CT 06320.
Margaret Suyter

97, of Mystic, formerly of Yarmouthport, Cape Cod, Mass.,
died Nov. 12, 2006 at Mary Elizabeth Nursing Center where she had been
a resident for some time.

She was born in Paterson, N.J., on
Oct. 29, 1909, the daughter of
William and Christina Robertson
Smith. She became an elementary
school teacher and taught for a few
years in the Bound Brook, N.J.,
school system.

She married Aaron Justus John
Suyter on Aug. 21, 1937 in Paramus,
N.J. Sadly, he predeceased her on
Jan. 1, 2004. They raised their fam-
ily in New Jersey, moving from Little
Falls, N.J., to Cape Cod in 1974. For
many years she was an active mem-
ber of Christ Church Episcopal in
Harwichport, Mass., taking part in
the Guild and Thrift Shop there.

She is survived by her two daugh-
ters, Frances Jeffrey of Pawcatuck
and Elizabeth Curuso of Basking
Ridge, N.J. She also is survived by one
sister, Janet Kane of Pequannock,
N.J., four grandchildren and eight
great grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she
was predeceased by her sister,
Marie Anderson.

Funeral services will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial con-
tributions may be made in her
name to the “Our Park” Fund, c/o
Mary Elizabeth Nursing Center, 28
Broadway, Mystic, CT 06355.

The family of Margaret Suyter
invites you to visit www.mysticfa-
neralhome.com for obituary infor-
mation and an online register to
leave a note of condolences.

DY - 11-14 - 2006
Aborn Denison “Denny” Smith Jr., 78, of Stonington, passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by his family, on Aug. 17. He was the beloved husband to Margaret “Marge” Delaney Smith for 59 years.

Born in New London on Jan. 13, 1929, he was the son of the late Aborn D. Smith Sr., and Helena Kenyon Smith.

Denny was a tugboat deckhand on the N.Y. to Boston and Great Lakes - Mississippi River runs from 1944-45.

He was a U.S. Army Veteran, 1945-1947, serving with the 304th Signal Operations Battalion, Yokohama, Japan. Denny owned Smitty’s Auto Body in Groton and the original Eastern Auto Body in New London. After retiring from the auto industry he designed and built sailboats under the name of Trump Yachts.

He was an avid sailor and successfully competed in many races. He and Marge cruised up and down the Intercoastal Waterway to the Florida Keys for 12 years. He was a member and Past Commodore of the Thames Yacht Club and a member of the Off Soundings Club. He was also a member of the Denison Society.

He shared his love of sailing with his wife and six children who survive him: Joan S. Douglas and her husband David of Stonington, William D. Smith and his wife Katherine of Hill, N.H., Aborn D. Smith III of Pawcatuck, Barbara Smith of Preston, Katherine Smith of Huntsville, Al, Margaret Tebbets and her husband Mark of Pawcatuck, 21 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. He also leaves behind his brother Charles M. Smith and wife Lynn of Old Lyme.

He was also predeceased by his brother Chester Fanning Smith.

His family will receive relatives and friends at the Byles-Groton Memorial Home, 310 Thames St., on Monday, Aug. 20, from 5 to 7 p.m.

A graveside service will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 21, at 1 p.m. at the Smith Lake Cemetery, Rt. 1, Poquonnock Bridge.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of SE Connecticut, P.O. Box 902, Uncasville, CT 06382.
Anderson T. Smith

Anderson T. Smith, 64, of 112 Pequot Trail, in Pawcatuck, passed away July 4, 2012, at the Yale-New Haven Hospital.

He was born on Sept. 6, 1947, in New London, the son of the late Howard M. and Elaine M. Samuelson Smith III.

Andy was married in 1990 in Las Vegas to the late Sherry Caswell, and had worked for over 33 years at Pfizer Corp. in Groton in quality control, retiring as a group leader.

A longtime member of the Groton Lodge of Elks, Andy had served as a member of the board of trustees and was also a former Elk of the Year.

He was also a member of the men's auxiliary of the Hugo Simonelli Post 3263, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

There will be a celebration of his life from noon to 2 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 5, at the Groton Lodge of Elks, Shenecossett Road, Groton.

In lieu of flowers, his family has requested that donations in his memory be directed to the Shiloh Cancer Center at Yale-New Haven Hospital, 20 York St., New Haven, CT, 06510.

Please visit www.bytes.com for the families online registry.
Austin Smith
Expires at 80

STONINGTON—Austin Smith, 80, of 8 Denison Ave., Stonington, husband of the late Ethel Smith Smith, died this morning at Westerly Hospital, where he had been a patient for several days.

He was born Aug. 30, 1883, in Brooklyn, N.Y., the son of John B. and Lauraine Freel and Smith. He had lived in Stonington for 40 years.

Until his retirement five years ago he was street maintenance foreman for the Borough of Stonington. He was a member of the Steamers Engine Co.

He leaves a son, William A. Smith of Miami; a daughter, Mrs. William J. Ostman of Stonington; four grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Williams Funeral Home, Stonington. Internment will be in Stonington Cemetery. Calling hours will be 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. tomorrow.

Funeral Service Is Held for Mr. Smith

Funeral services were held at the Williams Funeral Home, 34 Main Street, Stonington, yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock for Austin Smith, 80, of 8 Denison Avenue, Stonington.

Rev. Carleton E. Worcester, pastor of the United Church of Stonington, officiated.

Interment was in Stonington Cemetery. The bearers were Edwin J. Northup, Maurice M. Mitchell, William Telzner, Jr., Roland Alfonsa and John P. Lopez.

Mr. Smith, husband of the late Ethel (Smith) Smith, died Thursday morning at the Westerly Hospital.
Bertie C. Smith Jr., 73, of 6 Winthrop Ave. Ext., Pawcatuck, Conn., died Oct. 25, 2002, at The Westerly Hospital. He was the widower of the late Sally (Thomas) Smith.

Born Sept. 24, 1929, in New Haven, Conn., he was the son of the late Bertie C. Sr. and Margaret (Barnett) Smith.

Mr. Smith was employed as a driller and blaster for James Romanella & Sons, retiring in 1994.

Survivors include five sons, Bertie C. Smith III of Bradford, R.I., Ronald Smith of Alton, R.I., Joel Smith of New York, Matthew Johnson of California, and Michael Smith of Bradford, R.I.; one daughter, Donna Martell of New York, one brother, Winfield Smith of Walingford, Conn.; one sister, Mary Lipka of East Haven, Conn.; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by one daughter, Sandra Smith Guimond; and three brothers, William Smith, John Smith and James Smith.

Calling hours are omitted. The funeral service and interment will be private and held at the convenience of the family.
Bruce Smith

**Mystic** — Bruce W. Smith, 70, of Mystic passed away Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2013, at the Mystic Healthcare & Rehab Center.

Born in Pawcatuck, the son of the late Walter and Georgiana (Beauchamp) Smith.

He is survived by his three brothers, Irving Smith of Thorndale, Pa., Walter Smith and his wife, Sharyl, of Elizabethville, N.Y., and Wayne E. Smith and his wife, Carol, of Stonington; and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his sister, Joan Walsh, and two nephews, Wayne B. Smith Jr. and Charles Walsh Jr.

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 1, at the Elm Grove Cemetery, Route 27, with Funeral Celebrant Patricia A. Moody officiating. There are no calling hours.

His family would like to thank the staff at the Mystic Healthcare & Rehab Center for the care and compassion shown to Bruce during his time there as a resident.

The Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, has charge of arrangements.
Byron Smith

Montville — Byron “Smitty” Charles Smith, 73, passed away peacefully at home on Sunday, July 18, 2010, surrounded by his loving family.

Byron was born on March 25, 1937, in Pawcatuck, in his grandparents home. He was the son of the late Margaret and Byron Smith. Byron was raised in Brooklyn, N.Y. At the age of 17 he enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He served in the submarine service aboard the USS Requin and the USS Patrick Henry. Byron was a life and Holland Club member. After leaving the service, he worked at Electric Boat until he purchased Pistol’s Café in Uncasville, then moving on to the Department of Correction and retiring from there after 20 years.

Byron is survived by his wife of 50 years, Anne Fogarty Smith; his three daughters and their families, Deborah and her husband, Eduardo Palmieri, of Guilford, their children, Michael, William, Joseph, Eduardo and Byron; Donna De Los Santos and her husband, Gabriel, of Mystic and their children, Joshua, Anne-Margaret and Christian; and his youngest daughter, Denise Smith and her partner, Richard De Los Santos, of Waterford. Also surviving him is his brother, Eugene Smith, and sister-in-law, Jean, of Oakdale, a nephew, whom he was particularly close with, Eugene Smith; and his three brothers, James, Ronald and Daniel.

In his free time he was a charter boat captain and could be found most days at Burr’s Marina on his boat A’VANGA. He was an exceptionally devoted family man; he was at his boat when surrounded by family and friends. He loved to teach them all about boating and especially fishing. He was a good friend to many and a patriotic American.

A memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 21, at St. John’s Church Maple Ave. Montville. Calling hours will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 20, at Impellitteri-Malia Funeral Home, 84 Montauk Ave., New London.

In lieu of flowers, the family would request donations made in memory of Byron Smith to the ALS Association, 4 Oxford Road, Unit D4, Milford, CT 06460.
Greetings

Mrs. Thomas F. Coffey

Miss Caroline A. Smith

William A. Way

Miss Laura E. Koontz

Clarence E. Clark

Mrs. Albert M. Palmer

Mr. McCaffrey

The Smith, Tuscaloosa, Al., May 1, 1939

On before May 1, 1939.

On May 1, 1939, the following persons gave their names to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Tuscaloosa County, Alabama, as the parties concerned in the following matters:

Donald L. Smith, 1800 N. 23rd Street, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; and

George E. Myrtle, 1820 Viva, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Correl.-Attorney:

S. H. D. Pendleton

CHARLES E. CLARK

Clarence E. Clark of Angellia Road, Shlington, died suddenly on March 20, 1939. He was a member of the Shlington Methodists Church and a United States Navy veteran. He was survived by his wife and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Clark, of Shlington. The funeral was held at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Shlington, and the burial was at the cemetery.

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William Allen Way died Sunday, March 14, 1939, at the Lawrence Memorial Hospital, Shlington, where he had been a patient for a short time. He was a native of Shlington and had been a member of the Church of the Good Shepherd. The funeral was held at the Church of the Good Shepherd and the burial was at the cemetery.

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Charles Smith Sr.

Pawcatuck — Charles Joseph Smith Sr., 67, of Pawcatuck, passed away on Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2018, at Lawrence + Memorial Hospital.

Born in New London, on May 31, 1951, he was the beloved son of the late Francis and Agnes (Maderia) Smith.

Charles worked as a brazier and pipefitter for 46 years at Electric Boat. He enjoyed watching NASCAR races, spending time with his family and loved his little dog, Minnie. His co-workers looked forward to the soup he that he made each fall. He loved giving out Lotto tickets for Christmas.

Charles will be sadly missed by his wife, Rosemarie Alberta (Parker) Smith; and his children, Jeremy J. Smith of Norwich, Charles J. Smith Jr. “Chooch” and his wife, Jennifer, of North Stonington and Agnes L. Smith (Doyle) and her husband, Kevin, of Indiana. He was the loving grandfather of Arielle, Layle and Jade. He also leaves his two sisters, Connie Teixeira and Rebecca Mitchell and her husband, Al; his two brothers, Francis Smith and his wife, Gail, and Albert Smith and his wife, Carol; and several nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank his caregiver, Zenaida Valentin, for her kindness and care of Charles.

The Smith family will greet relatives and friends from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 28, 2018, at the Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic. A service will immediately follow at 11:30 a.m. at the funeral home. Attendees will be invited to say a few words about Charles.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Lung Association.

For online condolences, please visit www.dinotofuneral.com.
Charles R. "Smitty" Smith Sr., 68, of Brookside Lane, Pawcatuck, passed away on Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 1, 2011, at his home.

He is survived by his daughter, Lucille E. Smith; his son and daughter-in-law, Charles R. and Lynn A. Smith Jr.; his son and daughter-in-law, Donald W. and Destiny Smith, his son, Peter J. Smith and his son, Scott D. Coleman, nine grandchildren and a soon to be great-grandson, three brothers and two sisters.

Mr. Smith was predeceased by his son, Mark D. Coleman, three brothers and a sister.

Charles R. "Smitty" Smith Sr.

Mr. Smith was born in New London on Oct. 31, 1942, the son of the late Lester and Dorothy (Perkins) Smith Sr. For many years, he was a machine operator for the Bradford Dyeing Association and the head of maintenance for Babcock Village.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, Feb. 6, 2011, from 1 to 2 p.m. at Rushlow-Iaco Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 64 Friendship St., Westerly.

For online condolences, please go to www.rushlowiaco.com.
Cornelius Smith Jr.

Stonington — Cornelius H. "Nick" Smith Jr. of Stonington died Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2016, at the age of 79, after a long illness.

Nick was born to Margaret H. Smith and Cornelius H. Smith and grew up in South Orange, N.J. He graduated from Williams College in 1959, where he was president of the Outing Club and a member of the St. Anthony fraternity. He began his career in investment banking with Chemical Bank in New York. He worked for a number of years for the World Bank in Washington D.C., traveling all over the world, and meeting his first wife, Helene Valentine Sheriff, who predeceased him in 1983. He lived and worked for over 20 years in New York City, working on Wall Street for a number of investment banks including County Bank, Schroeders and Nat West.

He loved the outdoors and he, Helene, and daughter Alexandra spent every free moment in the Catskills at the Onteora Club, where they all met and loved Harriet "Happy" Delafield. Happy and Nick were married in 1984 and soon thereafter moved from NYC to Stonington to purchase Clark Vineyards, which together they transformed into the successful Stonington Vineyards, producing many award-winning wines over the years. Nick was passionate about the vineyard and worked actively throughout the state of Connecticut to promote farm wineries, serving on the Connecticut Vineyard and Winery Association.

Nick was a devoted husband, father, brother and son, maintaining throughout his life strong connections to his extended family. He was a deep thinker, a good listener and genuinely curious about people. He is survived by his wife, Happy; daughter, Alexandra H. Osterman; granddaughters, Katherine Helen Osterman and Abigail Halsey Osterman; stepson, Charles Delafield MacLachlan; stepgranddaughter, Caroline MacLachlan; sisters, Margaret "Margo" Heyd and Elizabeth "Betsy" Budelman.

Nick will be buried in Onteora. A service of remembrance will be held in Stonington on May 6, 2017 (near his 80th birthday, May 3, 2017).

In lieu of flowers please send your favorite memory of Nick to his daughter Alexandra at alexandraosterman@gmail.com.
Doris Smith

Stonington — Doris May (Herman) Smith, 88, of Brookside Lane, Pawcatuck, passed away at her home on Friday, Jan. 6, 2012.

She was the daughter of the late Edward and Bernice Herman. Doris was a homemaker and an avid bingo player.

She will be sadly missed by her sons, Edward Geer, John Smith and Timothy Smith; daughter, Roxanne Geer; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Visiting hours are respectfully omitted. Funeral service and burial will be private.

For online condolences, please go to www.gaffney-dolanfuneralhome.com.

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Dorothy Smith
Mystic — Dorothy Whiting Smith, 56, died at the Mystic Manor Rehabilitation Center on Thursday, Oct. 10, 2002.

She was born in Old Mystic on Sept. 16, 1946, the daughter of Lewis Herbert Whiting and Mary (Baxter) Whiting. She married Lester Lawrence Smith on Nov. 28, 1967. He died on Jan. 13, 1990.

Mrs. Smith was a graduate of Stonington High School and Willimantic State Teachers College. After graduating from high school, she attended the Yale Summer School for Teachers. She began her career in education at the age of 17 by teaching in a one-room school in Ledyard. She then taught at Naik School, the former Fish Junior High School, and Culver Junior High School. She retired in 1982.

Mrs. Smith was a member of the Naik Baptist Church and until recently was an active member of its Evening Circle and the Corner Closet Group. During World War II, she was a member of the Women's Auxiliary to the Harrison Morton Ward American Legion Post in Naik. Mrs. Smith had been a member of the Heilash Lodge No. 56 for 57 years. She was also a member of the Order of Eastern Star and the Naik Historical Society.

Once she learned to drive a car, at the age of 12, she began her lifelong pastime of traveling. She was happiest when she was "on the road." Mrs. Smith traveled extensively and she had been to every continent except South America and Antarctica.

She is survived by a daughter, Betty Ann Tylaska, and her husband, Theodore Tylaska of Old Mystic; and two grandsons, Theodore Tylaska III of Old Mystic and Timothy Tylaska; and her wife, Laveri, of Ledyard. She is also survived by a niece and several nephews.

Dorothy was able to live in her own home until shortly before her 99th birthday because of the loving care of her devoted caretakers.

She maintained a keen interest in people all her life, and in fact, she had friends that included the grandchildren of some of her former pupils. She will be remembered as a devoted mother and grandmother; a true friend to many; and as an excellent teacher.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Naik Baptist Church.

Burial will be at Elm Grove Cemetery, Mystic. Her family will greet relatives and friends from 5 to 7 p.m. on Monday at The Divine Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., historic downtown Mystic.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Naik Baptist Church, 18 Cathedral Heights, Naik CT 06350. For directions and online guest book for the family, please visit www.obitnotesfuneral.com.
Elizabeth Smith
Stonington — Elizabeth Lee Smith, known to her friends as “Tossie,” passed away on Feb. 26, 2013, at her home in Stonington.

Born on Oct. 10, 1927, in Bronxville, N.Y., she was the daughter of Resa Murphy and Lee Parsons Davis and the stepdaughter of Mulford B. Helmer.

She graduated from Bronxville High School in 1944 and attended Hood College in Maryland.

While in college, she was drawn to the New York fashion world and became a model in Manhattan’s Millinery District for three years.

Later, a fascination with houses led to a career as a real estate agent in Greenwich, where she ultimately opened her own firm, Smith and Hekker Real Estate.

Her business thrived in great part due to the joy she took in helping families find their perfect home.

In Greenwich, she met and married William Ellery Smith, a partner in the law firm Hirschberg, Pettengill & Strong.

After a number of successful years in Greenwich, they decided to split their time between Stonington and Vero Beach, Fla. Together, they embarked on a joyful quest to find their own perfect home, which included five houses in Stonington and seven in Vero Beach.

After all those houses and all those moves, she now rests peacefully in her final and most perfect home.

She leaves her beloved husband, William Ellery Smith, and is survived by her devoted daughter, Kate Frame; her son, David Corr, who never ceased to make her laugh; and her stepson, Tig Smith, who patiently instructed her at her first sailing lesson. Her surviving family also includes five grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Burial will be by cremation and will be attended by family only at her request. There will be a reception at a date to be announced.

The family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online message of condolence.
Eloise Smith

Pawcatuck — Eloise Freeman Smith, 99, of 15 Lester Ave., died Wednesday at The Westerly Hospital.

Born on July 23, 1911, in Norton, Mass., she was the daughter of the late Charles A. and Bertha E. Valentine Freeman.

She was the widow of Alexander B. Smith, whom she married on Oct. 28, 1932.

Mrs. Smith graduated from Westerly High School. She continued her education at Lesley College of Cambridge, Mass., where she received a teaching certificate. She taught kindergarten at the Stonington Borough School.

A lifelong resident of Pawcatuck, she was a member of the Central Baptist Church and the Ruth Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

She is survived by a son, Roy L. Smith of Stonington; a daughter, Ann S. Lena of Mystic; six grandchildren; and eight great grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she was predeceased by a sister, Hazel E. Leonard; and a brother, Dwight L. Freeman.

A funeral service will be held at the convenience of the family.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 400 Main St., Pawtucket RI 02860, the American Heart Association, 40 Broad St., Pawtucket RI 02860, or to the Stonington Visiting Nurse Association, 400 North Frontage Road, Waterford CT 06385.

Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, Main Street, Westerly, is in charge of arrangements.
Obituaries

Elsie E. (Thompson) Smith

Elsie E. (Thompson) Smith, 86, longtime resident of Pawcatuck, and of late High Street, Westerly, died at the Westerly Health Center on March 26, 2008. She was the widow of the late Earl F. Smith Sr.

Born in Stonington, she was the daughter of the late William E. and Luella (Morgan) Thompson.

Elsie was a loving and devoted wife, mother and grandmother.

Surviving are her son, Ralph J. Smith and his wife Geraldine of Bradford; three brothers, Willard E. Thompson of Pawcatuck, Isary Thompson of Newport and Almont Thompson of Pawcatuck; two sisters, Edith Martell of Jewett City and Iva Martell of Westerly; three grandchildren, Johnny Smith of Asheville, N.C., Ralph Smith Jr. of Connecticut and Denny Smith of Cranston; and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by a son, Earl F. Smith Jr., and by four sisters.

A calling hour will be held on Monday from 10 to 11 a.m. in the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. Relatives and friends are invited to attend a graveside funeral service to be held on Monday at 11:30 a.m. in River Bend Cemetery, Beach Street, Westerly.

There is no procession from the funeral home to the cemetery.
Eugene Smith

Montville — Eugene F. Smith, 72, of Oakdale, entered eternal life on June 6, 2011.

He was born Sept. 18, 1938, in Pawcatuck, the son of the late Byron and Margaret (Mooney) Smith Sr. He and his family moved to Brooklyn, N.Y., at an early age. Mr. Smith enlisted in the U.S. Navy and later was honorably discharged.

He was united in marriage to the former Jean Ann Hudson on May 18, 1963, in Northport, N.Y.; Mrs. Smith survives him.

Mr. Smith was a carpenter for 41 years and was a proud member of the Carpenter Union Local 24, retiring in 1999.

He very much enjoyed and looked forward to family gatherings, especially barbecues. He recently traveled on a cruise to Bermuda with his family. One of his favorite trips was to Alaska with his brother, Byron, and son, Gene. He was an avid New York Yankees, Giants and horse racing fan.

Besides his beloved wife of 48 years, he is survived by his four sons, James and Eugene Smith, both of Washington, Ronald Smith of New London, Daniel Smith of Oakdale; a sister-in-law, Anne Smith of Umpqua; six grandchildren and three nieces.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Byron Smith.

His family will receive relatives and friends from 6 to 9 p.m. today, June 9, at the Impollitenti-Malia Funeral Home, 84 Montauk Ave., New London. Family and friends are invited to gather for a Mass of Christian Burial at 9 a.m. on Friday at St. John's Church, 22 Maple Ave., Umpqua. Interment will be in St. Michael's Cemetery, Pawcatuck, with military honors.

Donations in his memory may be made to the American Heart Association, 5 Brookside Drive, Wallingford CT 06492-1822.
George A. Smith, 86, of Pawcatuck, beloved husband of 57 years to Marjorie (Mowatt) Smith, passed away peacefully on Friday, April 30, 2010, at The Westerly Hospital with his family by his side.

Born in Boston, Mass., he was the son of the late Samuel and Katherine (Benoit) Smith.

Growing up, George attended local schools in the Boston area and furthered his studies at both at MIT and Harvard University.

Serving his country, George was a United States Army Veteran honorably discharged in 1946 after spending much of WWII in the Philippines.

George was a boiler inspector at the Boston Naval Shipyard, and eventually worked his way to becoming a Planner & Estimator for the Department of Navy. He retired in 1989 after 37 years of dedicated service, finishing his career with 13 years as the Supervisor of Shipbuilding in Groton, Conn., and the Newport Navy Yard, Newport, R.I.

George was an avid Boston Red Sox fan who cherished every time the Red Sox beat the New York Yankees and especially the series where Boston beat N.Y. for the pennant. He also enjoyed watching the UCONN Huskies Women's Basketball team and the CT Sun. In addition to sports, George liked photography, fishing, painting, woodworking and reading, especially anything relating to military history books.

Besides his wife, he leaves three children, Maggie Morris and her husband Les, of Faber, Va., Paul Smith and his wife Kelli, of Plantation, Fla., and Peter L. Smith of Pawcatuck; five grandchildren, Keith Morris and his wife Christian, of Summerville, S.C., and Jason, Jesse, Shane, and Alex Smith; and two great-grandchildren, Callie and Noel Morris.

He was preceded by a sister, Evelyn Sheets, and two brothers, Louis and Richard Smith.

The family will receive friends Monday, May 3 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic. Burial will be private at the Massachusetts National Cemetery with full military honors.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Mesothelioma Applied Research Foundation, which offers hope to patients and families affected by mesothelioma (www.curemeso.org).

The Smith family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to share an online message of condolences.

Mystic Funeral Home
George Smith Jr.

Collerville, Tenn. — George Adams Smith Jr., 71, of Waterbury and Lord's Point, Stonington, died on Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2006, in Collerville, Tenn. He was the husband of the late Rosemary Verrastor Smith of Waterbury.

Born Jan. 7, 1934, in New London, he was the son of the late Josephine Agnes (Mullen) and George Adams Smith. He graduated from Central High School in Bridgeport and from Yale University, class of 1955. He earned his degree in electrical engineering and resided at Stillman College while at Yale.

He was employed as plant engineer for the Allegheny Ludlum Corporation, formerly Wallingford Steel Company, throughout his career. He was known and respected throughout the steel industry and was a member of the American Institute of Steel Construction. Currently he is a member of the American Institute of Steel Construction.

He was involved in community activities in Wallingford, including the Rotary Club and the United Way.

He was a member of the American Institute of Steel Construction and the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers. Currently he is a member of the Rotary Club of Stonington and the Farm Country Club in Wallingford.

Mr. Smith traveled extensively throughout the world with his wife, Rosemary, and his children, Emma, and son, John. When not traveling, he was found sailing Fishers Island Sound or at the beach with his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Rosemary, of Meriden; his children, Emma and John; his sister, Mary; and his nieces, Mary and Anna, and his nephew, Tom.

Funeral arrangements are with the D'Innocenzo Funeral Home, 77 Pearl St., Mystic, where visiting hours will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 22, 2006. The service will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 23, 2006, at the Church of St. Mary Mother of the Redeemer, 89 Groton Long Point Road, Groton.
George Mervin Smith

PAWCATUCK — George Mervin Smith, beloved husband for 63 years of Joy J. (Kiley) Smith, of Mechanic St., Pawcatuck, passed away at the Westerly Health Center on Saturday, September 7, 2019. He was 93.

Born in Westerly, he was the son of the late Arthur M. and Fannie Smith.

George was a graduate of Westerly High School and studied Mechanical Engineering at URI. He was employed at Cottrell's as a Draftsman, then worked for over 20 years at Bostitch as an Engineer in Research and Development. He retired from ER Smith where he worked as a Design Engineer.

George overcame serious early childhood ailments and physical obstacles to qualify to serve in the Civilian Air Patrol of the US Air Force during WWII. A past Commodore of the Greenhaven Sailing Club, he was known to love being on the river sailing or in his runabout. He also loved music and his jam sessions with old friends, and fixing up Volkswagens and antique cars.

In addition to his wife, he will be sadly missed by his two children, Deborah Greene and John E. Smith and wife Dan Wei, all of Pawcatuck; grandson Rick Greene and wife Erica; and great grandchildren, Justice, Devon and Ashley Greene. George was predeceased by his son Arthur E. Smith, his brother Arthur E. Smith; and grandson Daniel Greene.

Visiting hours are omitted. A graveside Funeral Service will be conducted at 12 noon on Friday at River Bend Cemetery, 117 Beach Street, Westerly. Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. For online condolences please visit www.gaffneydolanhomes.com.
Gerald Smith

Mystic — Gerald T. Smith, 71, of Mystic, died on Saturday, April 23, 2005, at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital.

He was born in Hartford, on June 24, 1933, the son of Agnes O'Grady and raised by his grandparents, Nora C. O'Grady Smith and Bernard F. Smith of New London.

Gerald was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend to many.

He grew up in New London and attended Chapin Technical High School followed by an associate's degree from Mitchell College, a bachelor's degree from the University of Hartford and a master's degree from Trinity College.

He also served in the U.S. Army with a tour of duty in Bamberg, Germany from 1955-57.


He is survived by his wife, survivors include daughter Maureen's son and daughter, Matthew Longino from Groton and Adrienne Longino from Albany, N.Y.; daughter, Margaret Smith and her daughter, Emma from Groton; son, Tim Smith and his wife, Lisa and two sons, Timmy and Michael from Moraga, Calif.; son, Terry Smith from Tomah, Wis. and his daughter, Leann from Rogers, Ark.; daughter, Patricia Papp and her daughters, Brianna and Megan from Niantic; son, Michael Smith from New York, N.Y.; and son, Kevin Smith and his wife, Sandra and his three sons, Brandon, Elliott, and Nicholas from Ledyard.

He is also survived by his mother-in-law, Stasia McGuire from Mystic.

Gerald retired in 1991 after 39½ years of service from Pfizer Inc. in Groton. Since then he was self-employed and also passionate about his fund-raising work with the United Way.

Gerald's love for sports included baseball and basketball followed by a long career of officiating basketball, umpiring baseball, and refereeing football. He was a true Yankees fan, enjoying the many pennants and World Series wins.

Calling hours will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at the Thomas L. Nolan & Sons Funeral Home, 12 Ocean Ave., New London. The funeral will assemble at 10:15 a.m. Tuesday and proceed to a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Joseph Church at 11 a.m.

Memorial contributions may be made in his honor to the United Way of Southeastern Connecticut, 283 Stoddards Wharf Road, Gales Ferry CT 06335.

For directions or to send an online condolence to the family, please visit www.nolanfuneralhome.com.
Gloria Smith

Mystic — Gloria L. (Rocha) Smith, 80, lifelong resident of Mystic, died Saturday, March 3, 2018, after a brief unexpected illness. Born in New London, she was the daughter of the late Antonio and Grace (Cavarly) Rocha.

She was a cafeteria aide for many years for the former Broadway School and Deans Mill Elementary School.

Gloria enjoyed reading, listening to country music and was excellent in baking, frosting and tastefully decorating cakes.

She is survived by her two children, Edward A. Smith and his wife, Heidi, of Saratoga Springs, N.Y., and Laurie Smith of Mystic; four grandchildren, Heather Hanson, Maria Wilson, Kaitlin and Gregory Smith; a great-granddaughter, Kimberly Hanson; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded by her beloved husband, Edward R. Smith; two sisters, Rose and Dolores Strauss, and two brothers, Antonio Rocha and Stanley "Socka" Wheaton.

A graveside service will be planned for early spring at the Elm Grove Cemetery in Mystic.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Diabetes Assoc. (www.diabetes.org).
Howard Smith III

Mystic — Howard M. Smith III, 86, of the Academy Point of Mystic, formerly of Masons Island, died Friday, Aug. 6, 2004, at Pendleton Nursing and Rehab Center in Mystic.

He was born Feb. 4, 1918, in Providence, the son of Howard M. Smith Jr. and Alice P. Smith.

He was a graduate of Robert F. Fitch High School. He worked at Electric Boat for 45 years in the mold loft.

He was a member of the Masons Island Yacht Club, the Nauyag Cruising Club and the Mystic Seaport.

He was preceded by his wife, Elaine “Sunny” Smith, in 1995; his brother, Edward Smith; and his sister, Meryl Lapointe.

He is survived by his three children and their families, Howard M. Smith IV, his wife, April, and children, Taylor W., Howard Merrick V. and Blair R. Smith, all of Stonington; Anderson T. Smith and his wife, Sheryl, of Pawcatuck; and Leah P. Blaise and her husband, Richard, of Quaker Hill. He is also survived by a dear friend and companion, Dorthea Hudelson, of Mystic.

Donations in his memory may be made to the Small Boat Workshop of the Mystic Seaport or any charity of your choice.

Memorial services and interment will be private.

Byles-Groton Memorial Home, 310 Thames St., is in charge of arrangements.
Hugh Smith
Mystic — Hugh K. "Ricky" Smith, 57, of Clinton, Md., a seasonal resident of Mystic, died Thursday at Washington Hospital Center, Washington, D.C.

Mr. Smith was born Jan. 31, 1941, in Hartford, the son of the late Hazel Boseman Smith and Alton Smith Sr. He was a Navy veteran.

Mr. Smith graduated from Hartford Public High School. He was a retired postal supervisor and elder in the Eastern Pequot Tribe, and a member of the Carpe Diem fraternity. He moved to Maryland in 1981.

In addition to his wife, Sylvia Davis Smith, he is survived by a son, Erik Smith of Cleveland, Ohio; a daughter, Holly Smith of Hartford; a brother, Alton Smith Jr., of East Hartford; two sisters, Sandra Watson of Washington, D.C., and Marna Smith of Hartford; and two grandchildren.

Pope Funeral Home, Forestville Chapel, 5538 Marlboro Pike, Forestville, Md., is in charge of arrangements.
Isaac Smith Obituary: Isaac Smith’s Obituary by the The Day.

Isaac Gallup Smith Jr.

Westerly - Isaac Gallup Smith Jr., 93, a lifelong resident of Westerly, died Sunday, Aug. 9, 2015, at The Westerly Hospital. He attended Quarry Hill School, a three-room schoolhouse with two grades in each room, Babcock Junior High School, and Westerly High School, graduating in 1941 and serving as marshal of his class. He enrolled in a post-graduate program at Avon Old Farms. After a summer working at Electric Boat, he enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps in October of 1942 and served as a crew chief repairing landing gear on B-24s for the duration of the war.

He leaves behind his wife, Gertrude (Schwabe) Smith, a part of his life since 1938, when he noticed her skating on the pond and was intrigued. Not long afterwards, while sliding on Cross Street, she introduced herself by throwing a chunk of icy snow at him. He asked her to go sliding with him and that was the beginning of a lifelong romance. They became engaged before he entered the service and were married on Sept. 18, 1943, at Calvary Baptist Church on Elm Street.

Returning from the war in November of 1945, he entered the apprentice stone cutter’s program at the Smith Granite Co., completed his apprenticeship in 1949, and became a journeyman stone cutter. He joined the National Granite Cutters’ Union, a part of the AFL, and became secretary of the local branch. He worked at Smith Granite Co., Joseph Coduri Granite Co., and Bonner Monument Co.

In 1959, he left the granite industry to become a draftsman at Electric Boat, retiring in 1983, as facilities manager. A highlight of his time at EB was the building of the Midway facility for which he was construction supervisor. He sought to solve all issues with a win-win situation, treating all parties with respect.

Isaac served his community in many roles: He was president of the Elm Street School PTA, foreman of the Alert Hook and Ladder Co., candidate for Town Council, and, as a member of the Westerly Power Squadron, teacher of sailing and navigation courses.

He was a charter member of Central Baptist Church and was honored to serve as chairman of the Board of Deacons, chairman of the Board of Trustees, and moderator of the church under three different pastors.

Isaac served as a trustee of the Westerly Public Library and Wilcox Park for nine years. As a member of the building committee for the 1993 addition, he worked to “Save the Bay” by helping develop plans to incorporate the bay window of the story-telling area of the children’s room into the new east wall. Later he worked in an advisory capacity when the bay was moved to the north wall during the most recent renovation. He also drew the plans for the handicapped access ramp of the 1993 addition. Each stone was cut to dimension to provide a gracious, accessible entrance featuring Westerly granite.

As a member of the park committee, working closely with Alan Peck, he designed a pleasing, attractive entryway to Wilcox Park which was later named in his honor. Isaac chose Stony Creek granite for the gateway since Westerly granite was no longer available. When the Westerly Lions Club renovated the park fountain, Isaac was asked to supervise as project engineer. In recognition of his countless volunteer hours, he was awarded the prestigious Gold Oak Leaf by the Memorial and Library Association of Westerly.

One of the original trustees of the Babcock-Smith House Museum, he served for 42 years. He oversaw the maintenance of the colonial mansion and was the prime mover in building the Carriage House. No job was too menial or too grand for him. He bought his first computer when he was 63 so that he could manage fundraising for the museum. The room which features changing exhibits is named the Isaac Smith Room and a granite bench is dedicated to both Isaac and his wife for their many years of service.

Preservation of artifacts of the Westerly granite industry occupied all his retirement years. He inherited the order books of the Smith Granite Co., which provide a complete record of the company’s work from 1883-1993. With hunt-and-pack typing, Isaac entered into a data base the information in these books. This project, which took him nearly 15 years, provided the foundation for the granite resources at the Babcock-Smith House Museum. During countless hours spent with Brenda Linton, Isaac identified hundreds of photographs of the granite industry. He visited cemeteries to photograph monuments, beginning the museum’s efforts to photograph existing Westerly granite monuments. His lectures about the granite industry emphasized the craftsmanship and the brotherhood of granite people. His tours of River Bend Cemetery enabled the inexperienced eye to see the fine points of a monument’s design and execution. He was so steeped in his research that he felt a bond with those stonemasons of the past. He served as an invaluable resource for the book “Built from Stone: The Westerly Granite Story” by sharing memories, identifying pictures and verifying facts. He was also featured in the nationally-aired PBS video “Carved from Stone: The Legacy of a Granite Town”.

His many volunteer hours did not go unnoticed. In 1987, he received an appreciation award from the Lions Club for his
service as project engineer of the Wilcox Park Fountain Restoration Project. In 1995, he was chosen as Citizen-of-the-Year by the Westerly Chamber of Commerce and proudly rode in the Columbus Day Parade. Also in 1995, he was given the Antoinette Downing Award from the State of Rhode Island Historic Preservation and Heritage Commission recognizing his volunteer work in preservation, community and church. His work on the granite book helped the museum receive the prestigious Corey Award, given by the American Association of State and Local History to recognize an outstanding project by an all volunteer organization.

He enjoyed many hobbies in his "spare time," particularly sailing in Fishers Island and Long Island sounds as a ready crew member for several owners of large sailboats. Each fall he participated in the three days of the Off Soundings Race-even if it meant that he would be away for his wedding anniversary. He enjoyed golfing with friends and even had to opportunity to travel to Scotland to play on the famous courses there, including St. Andrews. Stamp collecting, too, was a hobby-the only one he continued to enjoy until his death.

He will be dearly missed by Gertrude, his wife of nearly 72 years; his daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Kenneth Chaffee; and his nephew, Anthony Gallup Smith. In addition, his blended family includes five grandchildren, Christopher Allen (wife, Marjorie), Jennifer (Allen) Poineer, Kenneth Chaffee (wife, Jennifer), Lt. Col. Susan (Chaffee) Montag, Ret. (husband, Tom), and Dawn (Hindle) Hancock (husband, Douglas). There are also 13 great-grandchildren, four great-great-grandchildren, and another nephew, Gordon Welford Smith Jr.

He was predeceased by his mother, Helen (Doty) Smith; his father, Isaac Gallup Smith Sr.; his brother, Gordon Welford Smith; and two nephews, Scott Doty Smith and Jeffrey Dean Smith.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 15, at the Central Baptist Church, 16 Elm St., Westerly. The burial in River Bend Cemetery will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Babcock-Smith House Museum, 124 Granite St., Westerly, RI 02891.

Funeral services are under the direction of Rushlow-Iaco Funeral Home & Crematory, 64 Friendship St., Westerly.

For online condolences, please go to www.rushlowiacofuneralhome.com

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James H. Smith

James H. Smith, 83, of Harbor View Terrace, Stonington, husband of Marion (Barlow) Smith, died Monday at The Westerly Hospital after a long illness.

Mr. Smith was born in Alton, R.I., Aug. 13, 1897, a son of the late Herbert and Alice (Matterson) Smith. He was raised and educated in Stonington.

He retired in 1961 from the American Velvet Co. of Stonington where he had been a weaver for 30 years.

He and Mrs. Smith were married in Mystic on Feb. 24, 1917.

Mr. Smith was a life member of Asylum Lodge No. 57, A.F. & A.M. of Stonington; a member and foreman of the Steamer Engine Co. of the Borough Fire Department; a president of the Stonington Fire District; and a member of the Holy Ghost Society.

He played for some 15 years with the former American Velvet Co. baseball team and was an avid bowler and golfer.

In addition to his wife, he leaves two sons, Arthur Smith of Fox Lake, Ill., and Charles Smith of Westerly; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held at the Elm Grove Cemetery in Mystic tomorrow at 11 a.m. There are no calling hours. The Flynn Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.

SMITH — In Westerly, R.I., June 8, 1981, James H. Smith, 83, husband of Marion (Barlow) Smith of Harbor View Terrace, Stonington.

Graveside services will be held at the Elm Grove Cemetery, Mystic, on Wednesday at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. There will be no calling hours. Donations in his memory may be made to the United Church of Stonington Organ Fund in care of Rev. Bruce Bouchard, 8 Trumbull Ave., Stonington.

Flynn Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.
James Smith Jr.

Largely attended funeral rites were held this morning for James H. Smith Jr., 40, of 202 High St., who was killed when struck by a car on Ward Ave. Friday night.

The funeral was held from Harvey W. Buckler Funeral Home at 9:30, with a concelebrated mass of Christian burial at 10 in the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

The Rev. Lloyd F. Fredericks, D.D., pastor of Central Baptist Church, offered prayers before the mass.

The Rev. John Kane, S.M., assistant pastor of Immaculate Conception, and the Rev. Euloge LaPlante, S.M., were the cocelebrants.

The Rev. Paul Sicard was seated in the sanctuary. Mrs. Sally Devine was the soloist and organist.

Rev. Kane, Rev. LaPlante and Dr. Fredericks all participated in the committal in River Bend Cemetery.

Bearsers were WO2 Robert L. Dubois, CSM Francis C. Hutchinson, 1st Sgt. Harold R. Carolinna, 1st Sgt. Reginald A. Teague, S. Sgt. Ronald E. Becher and M. Sgt. James A. Perkins, all attached to the 103rd Support Center, Conn. National Guard. Mr. Smith was adjutant to H.H.D., 192nd Engineer Battalion, Conn. National Guard.

The bugler was M. Blaine.


Mr. Smith, husband of Evelyn (Tarbox) Smith, was struck about 6:59 p.m. Friday and was pronounced dead on arrival at The Westerly Hospital.
Lisa Marie Smith

Stonington — Lisa Marie Smith, 39, formerly of Stonington, went home to the Lord on Friday, Sept. 8, 2006, at her home in Franklin, N.C.

Born March 2, 1967, she was the beloved and cherished daughter of Robert L. and Mary Lou (Rebello) Smith.

Lisa will be sadly missed by her parents; great aunt, Mary Oliver; brother and sister-in-law, Robert Jr. and Wendy Smith; nephews and Godsons, Kyle and Adam Smith; several aunts and uncles, Mario Rebello and wife Judy, Joy Lussier, Nila Winkler and husband Lionel, Rose Pablonia, Sharon and David Pacheco; Goddaughter, Mary Margaret Pacheco; and many cousins and friends.

She will also be missed by her best friends, her dog Oliver, and cats, Sassy and Baby.

Lisa graduated from Stonington High School in 1985. She enjoyed listening to country music, especially Toby Keith, and Brookes and Dunn, and collecting Disney “Tigger” memorabilia. Lisa will always be remembered for her strength and courage and her dedication to family and friends.

A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Mary Church Stonington on Friday at 10 a.m.

Burial will follow in Stonington Cemetery. Relatives and friends may call at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic on Thursday from 4 to 7 p.m.

There will be no procession from the funeral home on Friday.

The Smith family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com for obituary information, directions and an online memorial register to leave a note of condolence.
Marie Smith, 87
Was a founding member of the local United Way

Mystic — Marie Lassen Battles Smith, 87, of 28 New London Road, died Sunday evening at Bridebrook Convalescent Center, after a brief illness.

She was born on Nov. 17, 1914, in New London, the daughter of Grover V. and Clara B. Woodworth Lassen.


Mrs. Smith was a 1936 graduate of Wellesley College.
She was a member of Family Service Association of Southern New London County, serving on the board of directors for 15 years, and as treasurer for 10 years. She was a founder of the United Way of Southeastern Connecticut, and a longtime trustee of the Mystic Community Center and a trustee emeritus. She was a member of the Masons Island Yacht Club and Ram Island Yacht Club.

She is survived by two sons, Peter Battles of Mystic, and Nicholas Battles of Pawcatuck; two stepchildren, Ellen Smith and Hugh Smith; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Besides her husbands, she was predeceased by a brother, Grover V. Lassen Jr.

A memorial service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Feb. 13 at Mystic Congregational Church, West Main St., Mystic.

Memorial donations may be made to the Mystic Community Center; P.O. Box 526, Mystic CT 06355. Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.

Some of the information in this obituary in Tuesday's edition of The Day was incorrect or incomplete.
Marion L. Smith, 91, of 13 Lambert's Lane, Stonington, died at the Watch Hill Manor, Westerly, April 1, 2003, where she had been a patient for two years.

She was born in Anthony, R.I., Nov 7, 1911, the daughter of Clarence and Susan Jones Chase. She married Charles E. Smith on March 23, 1933. He died in 1971.

Mrs. Smith had lived in the Willimantic area for many years where she worked at Tubridy's Store. She moved to Stonington in 1972 and worked for 16 years as the site manager for the elderly food program at the Stonington Community Center.

She was a member of the United Church of Stonington and active in the Women's Guild. She was also a member of the Stonington Golden Agers.

She is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Priscilla and Allen Gager of Stonington; a granddaughter, Susan G. Palmer; and great-grandchildren Rylan of Westerly and Chase of Olympia, Wash.; a grandson Scott Gager and wife Jennifer and great-grandchildren Alyssa, Zachary, and Kassandra of Voluntown; and two brothers, William of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and Philip of North Kingstown.

She was predeceased by a sister, Elsie Sumner; and three brothers, Elwyn, Robert and James Chase.

A memorial service will be held May 10 at the United Church of Stonington, 67 Main St., in Stonington Borough, at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. The Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made in her memory to the Ladies Guild of the United Church of Stonington, 67 Main St., Stonington, CT 06378 or to the Patient Activity Fund, Watch Hill Manor, 79 Watch Hill Road, Westerly, RI 02891.

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She was a member of the United Church of Stonington and active in the Women's Guild. She was also a member of the Stonington Golden Agers.

She is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Priscilla and Allen Gager of Stonington; a granddaughter, Susan G. Palmer; and great-grandchildren, Rylan of Westerly and Chase of Olympia, Wash.; a grandson, Scott Gager and wife Jennifer; and great-grandchildren Alyssa, Zachary, and Kassandra of Voluntown; two brothers, William of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Philip of North Kingstown, R.I.

She was predeceased by a sister, Elsie Sumner and three brothers, Elwyn, Robert and James Chase.

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In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made in her memory to Ladies Guild of the United Church of Stonington, 67 Main St., Stonington, CT 06378; or the Patient Activity Fund, Watch Hill Manor, 79 Watch Hill Road, Westerly R.I. 02891.

The Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.

4-11-2003
Marion Smith

Stonington — Marion L. Smith, 91, of 13 Lamberts Lane, Stonington, mother of Priscilla Gager, died April 1, 2003 at the Watch Hill Manor.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 10th at the United Church of Stonington, 67 Main Street, Stonington. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made in her memory to the Ladies Guild of the United Church.

The Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic is in charge of arrangements.

DAY -5-6-2003
Marjorie Smith

Stonington — Marjorie M. Smith, 81, of Pawcatuck, beloved wife of the late George A. Smith, passed away Saturday, March 17, 2012.

Born in Somerville, Mass., she was the daughter of the late Robert and Frances (Boudreau) Mowatt and lived in Pawcatuck since 1976. Marjorie worked for the former Westerly Alarm Co., in Pawcatuck, for several years.

She is survived by her three children, Maggie Morris and her husband, Wes, of Faber, Va., Paul Smith and his wife, Kelli, of Plantation, Fla., and Peter Smith of Pawcatuck; five grandchildren, Keith Morris and his wife, Christian, of Murrieta, Calif., and Jason, Jesse, Shane, and Alex Smith; and five great-grandchildren, Callie and Noel Morris and Ryan, Nick, and Anna Smith.

She was predeceased by three sisters, Marie Ferrarini, Jean Mowatt, and Louise McKenna.

Her family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 21, at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, 51 Williams Ave., Mystic. Services and burial will be private in Massachusetts at a later date.

Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online message of condolence.
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Moses A. Pendleton

Moses A. Pendleton, president of the

First National Bank, passed away at his home Wednesday morning at 7:30." He was in his 50th year. Pendleton was born

in Stonington, and in early life was a clerk in the mercantile establishment of his father, and of Charles W. Woodbridge and Samuel B. Stanton. Mr. Pendleton has always been a Republican. In 1872 he was elected town clerk, and served for twenty years as town clerk and clerk of the Probate Court. For one year he served as clerk of the board of Stonington, filling every position with noted ability.

On February 4, 1884, Mr. Pendleton was elected a director of the First National Bank, and on January 1, 1888, he was elected vice-president, taking the place of T. A. French, deceased.

He was a resident of the First National Bank, and for ten years was a member of the board of directors, and was also a member of the First Baptist Church and the First National Bank. He was a member of the board of directors.

He was held in high personal esteem by his fellow citizens.

Funeral services this afternoon will be private. Rev. William P. Williams, pastor of St. John's Church, officiating.

Editor's comments on the Stonington Signal

(Providence Journal, Aug. 25)

STONINGTON WEATHER

It appears that both Federal and state weather stations agree that the weather station at Stonington, with the exception of the last three days, has been in the Spring. The wind is light, the sun is shining, and the temperature remains fairly constant. The weather seems to be favorable for those persons who wish to know the latest weather prediction must do it by radio, telephone, reading the newspapers (not yesterday's!) or by consulting some local source. As for those persons who wish to know the latest weather prediction must do it by radio, telephone, reading the newspapers (not yesterday's!), or by consulting some local source. As for those persons who wish to know the latest weather prediction must do it by radio, telephone, reading the newspapers (not yesterday's!), or by consulting some local source.

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Michael Smith
Stonington — Michael David Smith of Pawcatuck passed away unexpectedly on Monday, March 26, 2012.

Michael, born Dec. 20, 1980, in Norwich, was the beloved son of Ernest and Lisa Smith of Pawcatuck and Luanne and Ralph Fowler of Norwich. As a youth, Michael was raised in Norwich where he was involved in baseball, bowling and scouting, and he attained his black belt in karate in 1995, of which he was very proud. Michael was a diehard New York Giants fan who took great pleasure in watching them defeat the New England Patriots in this year’s Super Bowl, surrounded by Patriots fans! Michael was also an avid Red Sox fan, who like all other Red Sox fans, always prayed they would come around. He was a 1999 graduate of Norwich Tech and a 2007 graduate of New England Technical Institute, where he majored in auto mechanics. Michael was most recently employed by a local car dealership as an auto technician.

In addition to his parents, Michael is survived by his brother, Jared Smith; sister, Jennifer Petrowsky Maciel; brother, Steven Fowler; niece, Gabrielle Maciel; paternal grandparents, Claire and Newton Shaffer and Ernest and Adrian Smith; and step-grandparents, Andrew and Carol Elnicki. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was predeceased by his maternal grandparents, Elaine and Lucien Boucher; and his cousin, Jenna Lynn Smith.

A memorial service is planned for 3 p.m. Sunday, April 1, 2012, at the United Church of Stonington, 87 Main St., Stonington. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the United Church of Stonington. Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online message of condolence.
Peter Smith

Farmington — Peter Newhall Smith died Friday, Dec. 30, 2016, in Farmington from complications due to frontotemporal dementia.

He was born on July 18, 1935, in Buffalo, N.Y., the son of Hayden Newhall and Esther (Butterworth) Smith. Raised in New York City and Long Island, Mr. Smith spent summers in Madison with his family throughout his life. A 1950 graduate of Brooks School and a member of the Yale Class of 1954, Mr. Smith received an MBA from NYU in 1962. He was married to Anne Murchison Smith in Dallas, Texas, on Dec. 21, 1954, and served in the U.S. Army stationed in Frankfurt, Germany, from 1954 to 1957.

He had a long career in the finance industry as an analyst and portfolio manager beginning at White Weld & Co. in New York in 1957. The Smiths resided in Greenwich from 1969 to 1990 and then in Boston from 1990 to 2008. Mr. Smith retired from Anchor Capital Advisors in Boston in 1998 as a senior vice president, portfolio manager. Mr. Smith became a summer resident of Old Lyme in 1998 and continued to spend a month each summer in Madison with his family until recently.

He is survived by his daughters, Tenney Smith of Old Lyme and Alison Smith Lord and her spouse, Tim Lord, of New York, N.Y.; his son, Todd Smith and his spouse, Stephanie Smith, of Forest Hills, N.Y.; his brother, William Smith of Washington, Conn.; his sister, Nancy Lovejoy of Wilbraham, Mass.; and his grandchildren, Anne and Mary Lord and Peter Smith.

He was predeceased by his beloved wife, Anne Murchison Smith; and his grandson, Hayden Lord.

Remembered for his quick wit and kind heart, love of sailing, racquet sports, backgammon, music and needlepoint, he was one of a kind.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, at St. Ann’s Episcopal Church, Shore Road, Old Lyme.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the The Connecticut Frontotemporal Dementia Foundation Inc. (www.ctfdfoundation.org) or The Cameron and Hayden Lord Foundation (www.lordfoundation.org), a foundation honoring the lives of his beloved grandson, Hayden and his cousin, Cameron, who died of Tay-Sachs Disease.
Robert William Smith

Pawcatuck — Robert William Smith, 64, of Pawcatuck, passed away July 22, 2008.
He was the son of the late Geneva Smith and stepson of the late Wesley Smith.
He leaves behind his grieving friends and his loving wife, Terry Smith; his son, Bobby; stepchildren Bobby and Christie; granddaughter Gabrielle; sisters and brothers Mabel Martell, Shirley Gools, Marie Bennett, Wesley Smith, May Gools, Clinton Smith, and Gary Smith; and a host of nephews and nieces.
Robert has donated his body to science for medical research.
Memorial will be private.
Sheryl Smith
Pawcatuck — Sheryl (Caswell) Smith, beloved wife of Anderson T. Smith, of Pawcatuck, passed away Jan. 1, 2008 at The Westerly Hospital after complications due to breast cancer.

Born on Nov. 17, 1949, in New London, she was the daughter of the late Anna (Cerasoli) and Albert Caswell Sr. Sherry was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary Hugo Simonelli Post No. 3263, the Mystic Seaport and the Groton Lodge of Elks.

Sherry is survived by her son, James Gueltzow Jr. and his wife, Emily, of Westerly; two sisters, Lynette Parkinson and her husband, Doug, of Pawcatuck and Bonnie Kessler and her husband, Kevin, of Kansas; two brothers, Albert Caswell Jr. and his wife, Mary, of Groton, and Christopher Caswell of Southington; two nieces, Samantha Parkinson of Pawcatuck and Amanda Pugh and her husband, Lee, of Kansas; a great-niece, Arianna Marie Gallo of Pawcatuck; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

A celebration of Sherry's life will be held at a later date. There are no calling hours.

Donations in her memory may be made to Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation 505 LBJ Freeway, Suite 250, Dallas, TX. 75244 or to the Elks National Foundation, c/o Groton Elks Club, 700 Shennecossett Road, Groton, CT 06340.

The Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic has charge of arrangements. The family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com for our online guest book.
Stephen Smith was a skilled photographer and videographer and website designer. He designed websites for the Groton Public Schools, the Stonington Village Improvement Association, the Greenwood Gallery (art auctions), and several local libraries, among others. His photographs of Stonington landmarks appeared with attribution in Fodor's Guides.

The quality of his photographic work can be seen now in the Flickr site for Rick Liegl’s You’ve Got Rhythm School of Percussion. Between 2006 and 2009 he co-produced over a hundred separate live and uncut Dwight Baldwin “the Professor of Percussion” Drum Joy Sessions hand drum video DVDs. The group hand drumming sessions took place on City Pier New London and at the Elks Victory Lodge 1096 IBPOE of W, New London.

Burial through Byles-Groton Memorial Home will take place at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 31, at Elm Grove Cemetery, Mystic.
Thomas Smith

Gales Ferry—Thomas L. Smith, age 57, died unexpectedly Wednesday morning at the Lawrence and Memorial Hospital in New London.

He was born in New London on Nov. 25, 1946, the son of Marie Smith of Pawcatuck and the late Earl R. Smith.

He is survived by his love of 24 years, Patricia A. Todd of Gales Ferry. In addition to his mother, he is also survived by two sons, Thomas L. Smith II and his wife, Julie, of Hope Valley, R.I., and Todd A. Smith of Stonington, a daughter, Tracy L. Steege and her husband, Ryan, of Marlborough, Mass.; a brother, Earl R. Smith II, of Washington, D.C.; two sisters, Sandra Andaloro of Pawcatuck and Ann Campbell of Westerly; and five grandchildren, Sarah L. Smith, Kaitlyn M. Smith, Robert Aurruda, Riley E. Steege, and Owen E. Steege.

Mr. Smith was the president of TLS Design & Manufacturing in New London. He was a volunteer for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life program and a sponsor of the For Pete's Sake "Fishing for a Cure" Pete Lopiccola Leukemia Research Foundation. An avid boater, he was a member of the West Cove Yacht Club. Mr. Smith also loved skiing, fishing, scuba diving and cruising in his boat with family and friends.

The funeral will assemble at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Thomas L. Neillan & Sons Funeral Home, 12 Ocean Ave., New London, and proceed to a 12 noon Mass of Christian Burial in Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Following the Mass, interment will be in Avery Standard Cemetery. Calling hours are Friday from 2 to 4 and 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Team Eclectic, c/o the American Cancer Society, Relay for Life, 233 West Town St., Norwich, CT 06360.

For directions, or to send an online condolence, please visit www.neillanfuneralhome.com.
Obituaries

Thomas C. Smith Sr, 62
Served 3 years on Board of Burgesses

STONINGTON — Thomas C. Smith Sr., 62, of North Water Street died Sunday, June 4, at the Rhode Island Hospital where he was a patient for the past two weeks.

He was born in New London Sept. 24, 1932, son of Thomas J. and Hanna Grisar Smith. He was raised by Oscar Grisar.

He was a lifelong resident of Stonington and graduated from Stonington High School with the class of 1950. He played varsity basketball, baseball and golf. He served as class president.

He graduated from the Hartford Institute of Accounting and was employed by the Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics for 38 years, working as a production control supervisor and in the Norwich Data Center.

He married the former Mary Ann Mello in St. Mary’s Church in Stonington on April 21, 1956. She survives.

Mr. Smith served for 20 years as secretary of the Steamer Engine Co. of the Stonington Fire Department. He also served as secretary of the Stonington Little League, was active with the Poe Wee and Junior Basketball program and served as president of the Junior Basketball League.

He served for three years on the Board of Burgesses in Stonington and on the Board of Governors of the Stonington Community Center. He also served for four years on the Town of Stonington Recreation Commission.

He was a life member of the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one son, Thomas C. Smith Jr. of Stonington; one daughter, Wendy Goff of Niantic; and one grandson.

The funeral was held at the Mystic Funeral Home on Route 1 in Mystic on Wednesday, June 7. Burial was private.

Contributions may be made in his memory to St. Jude’s Hospital, P.O. Box 2318, Memphis, Tenn. 38101.
Mystic — Warren L. “Chip” Smith Jr., 64, of Mystic, formerly of Ledyard, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 11, 2016, at his residence.

Chip was born on Dec. 14, 1951, in New London, the son of the late Warren Smith Sr. and Gertrude (Congdon) Smith Gusler. Mr. Smith was a graduate of Ledyard High School and for over 20 years had worked in the kitchen at the former Bee Bee's Dairy in Groton.

Chip is survived by three sisters, Kathleen Smith of Oakdale, Maria Higgins of New London and Cheryl Smith of Washington State; and his brother, Roger Smith of Waterford.

He had also been pre-deceased by a sister, Stephanie Cofey.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16, at the Byles-Groton Memorial Home, 310 Thames St., Groton. His burial will follow in the Elm Grove Cemetery in Mystic.

In lieu of flowers, his family has requested that donations be directed to the Charity of the donor’s choice.

Please visit www.byless.com for directions, to sign his guest book or to share a memory.
Wayne B. Smith Jr., 45, of Mystic, husband of Bryn (Hummel) Smith, passed away Monday, March 19, 2012, at The Westerly Hospital.

Born in New London, he was the son of Wayne B. Smith and Carol (Peterson) Smith of Mystic.

Wayne had lived in Macungie, Pa., for the past 17 years, previously living in Stonington and Mystic.

He was an avid motorcycle rider over the years and enjoyed riding his Harley-Davidson motorcycle he recently purchased. Wayne was also a Red Sox fan and will miss the times he would always spend with his family.

Besides his wife and parents, he leaves two stepchildren, Brianna Howells of Germansville, Pa., and Jeremy Howells of State College, Pa.; his maternal grandmother, Ina C. Peterson, of Nank; and a host of friends. He was predeceased by his infant daughter, Alicia Leigh Smith.

The family wishes to thank the dedicated staff at The Westerly Hospital for their exceptional care and compassion during Wayne's stay.

Calling hours for Wayne will be held Thursday, March 22, from 2:30 to 4 p.m. followed by a celebration of his life at 4 p.m., at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic (51 Williams Ave.) Funeral celebrant Patricia A. Moody will officiate. Burial will be private.

Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online message of condolence and for directions to the funeral home.
William Smith

Stonington — William Ellery Smith gently passed away in his sleep on Wednesday, Jan. 27, 2016, at his home in Stonington.

Born on Sept. 18, 1923, in Worcester, Mass., he was the son of Elizabeth G. Bright and Bulkeley Smith. Ellery attended Harvard University before enlisting in the Navy during World War II. After his years of service as a navigator on a destroyer in the Pacific, he finished at Harvard and then went on to Yale Law School. There he met his prior wife, C. Chadwick Taylor, and they moved to Greenwich to raise a family. Ellery worked for the law firm Hirschberg, Pettengill & Strong and became a partner. After many years in Greenwich, having been re-married to his beloved wife, Tossie Corr Smith, the two moved to Stonington, to begin their next life adventure.

Much of Ellery’s favorite time was spent on the water, racing or cruising, in any size boat from dinghies to 60-footers. In Riverside, he was one of the originators of the Thursday Vespers Race Series at Riverside Yacht Club, and in Stonington, he was one of the long-standing sailors of the Wednesday Evening Race Group, the Stonington Dinghy Club. He equally loved sailing many Bermuda Races, as well as a cruise vacation spent on the canals of France. While Ellery never met a tennis court he did not like, being on the water, near the water or surrounded by it, with his many dear friends, were perhaps some of his fondest memories.

Ellery is survived by his son, William Ellery Smith Jr.; his stepchildren, Kate Corr Frame and David Laughton Corr; five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; his sister-in-law, Helen Smith; and niece, Abigail Smith Scholl.

He also would wish to thank his newest friend, Dixon Bedacko, for all his help.

There will be a graveside burial at 11 a.m. Feb. 13, 2016, at Calvary Church in Stonington.

In lieu of flowers, kindly send a donation to the Mystic
William Smith


Born in St. Marys, Ohio, he was the son of the late Roy and Louise Smith.

Bill was a longtime resident of Lords Point, which he always considered his home. He spent 18 years of his retirement in Florida and returned three years ago to the Mystic area to be close to his family. He was a nuclear ship supervisor with Electric Boat for 30 years and was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II.

He is survived by his seven children, Dawn Rose and her husband, Michael, of Carrollton, Texas, Karen Smoger of Pawcatuck, Shirl Smith and his wife, Lisa, of Bellville, Texas, Laurie Herford and her husband, Richard, of Grand Prairie, Texas, Mary Lou Fritz and her husband, Dennis, of Pawcatuck, John Thornburg and his wife, Irma, of Hurst, Texas, and Robin Dixon of Norwich; two brothers, Thomas and Fred Smith, both of Ohio; 18 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by a sister, Mona Lee.

Funeral services and burial will be private.

The family requests no flowers and would prefer donations to be made to Fairview, 235 Lestertown Road, Groton, CT 06340 or to the Connecticut Food Bank, (www.ctfoodbank.org).

Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online message of condolence.
SMITH-FRINK — In Mystic, Conn., Feb. 4, 1982, Flora E. (Gibson) Smith-Frink, daughter of the late Edward G. and Mary E. (Avery) Gibson, residence Mechanic St., Pawcatuck, R.I. Funeral services will be held Monday, Feb. 7, at 2:30 p.m. at the Avery Funeral Home, Hope Valley, R.I. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment in Stonington Cemetery.

Mrs. Smith-Frink

Mrs. Flora E. (Gibson) Smith-Frink, 86, of 73 Mechanic St., Pawcatuck, R.I., died Friday at a nursing home in Mystic.

Born in Griswold, Conn., Aug. 7, 1896, she was a daughter of the late Edward G. and Mary E. (Avery) Gibson.

Surviving are a son, Milton Smith of Pawcatuck, four grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral service will be held at the Avery Funeral Home, Hope Valley, tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment will be in Stonington Cemetery.
Karen Smoger

Storington — Karen Lou (Smith) Smoger, 66, of Pawcatuck, passed away unexpectedly but peacefully in her sleep on Friday, June 22, 2012, at home.

Born in Westerly, on Jan. 11, 1946, she was the daughter of the late William and Shirley (Thompson) Smith from Lords Point, and was predeceased by her son, Scott.

She is survived by her three children, Edward Bridgman, Penelope Donahue, and Shane Smoger, a member of the U.S. Marine Corps; six siblings; 10 grandchildren; and soon, a third great-grandchild.

Funeral services and burial are private. There are no calling hours, but a gathering to celebrate her life will be held at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, June 27, at 43 Vinegar Hill Road, Gales Ferry, for all family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Penny Donahue to construct a memorial garden in Karen's honor.

Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online message of condolence.
Antonia, "Antanet" Smyrniotes, 79, of Moss Street, Pawcatuck, died peacefully Thursday evening June 29, 2006 after a brief illness.

Antanet was born in Hartford on Dec. 28, 1926. She was a daughter of the late George and Alexandria Smyrniotes.

Miss Smyrniotes graduated from Stonington High School and worked at Bess Eaton for many years. She was a member of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, in Norwich.

Antanet was an avid reader, loved the outdoors, walking, flowers, traveling and was a great animal lover.

Antanet contracted polio at the age of 18 months, and was one of the very fortunate who recovered.

Antanet will be remembered as a wonderful sister and loving and devoted aunt. She leaves a deep void in all their lives.

Antanet will be sadly missed by her sisters, Julia Smyrniotes, of Waterford, Eva Scalco of Westerly, Jane Koumanelis and her husband Bill of Pawcatuck and Niki Brennan and her husband Carl of Pawcatuck. She also leaves two nieces and one nephew. She was preceded by a sister, Mary Smyrniotes.

Funeral services and burial will be private. Calling hours are respectfully omitted.

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

Waterford — Julia Smyrniotes, formerly of Pawcatuck, died on Friday, Dec. 21, 2007, at Greentree Manor and Rehabilitation Center in Waterford.

Julia Smyrniotes served with the U.S. Navy during World War II and she later served in the U.S. Air Force.

She leaves three sisters, Eva Sculco of Westerly, Jane Koumanelis and her husband, Bill, and Niko Brennan and her husband, Carl, all of Pawcatuck.

The family would like to thank the Greentree Manor staff for all of their kindness and excellent care during these past few years.

Private funeral services and burial will be held at the convenience of Julia's family.

There are no visiting hours.

Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly, is in charge of the arrangements.

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"show" was past president
Ruth Snow

Ledyard — Ruth G. Snow, 96, passed away peacefully at her residence on Dec. 11, 2016. Born July 4, 1920, in Stonington, Ruth was a lifelong resident of Ledyard and grew up on a farm that had been in the family since 1860, known as the Gray Farm.

Mrs. Snow worked at the Ledyard Town Hall and later at Mystic Oral School. She also worked at Peila Electric.

Ruth belonged to the Ledyard Grange, Ledyard Congregational Church and was a member of Eastern Star. Many people in the town knew and loved her. She did sewing for the police and others.


Survivors include her son, Lloyd Elliott Gray and his wife, Sandra Gray, of Ledyard; and three grandchildren, Tymothy Gray and his wife, Shari Gray, of Ledyard, Tabetha Hatcher of Groton and Tracy Gaccione of Ledyard. She is also survived by two great-grandsons, two great-granddaughters and two great-great-grandchildren.

There are no calling hours. Burial will be private.

Donations may be made to the Children’s Shriners Hospital. Special thanks to Brenda Worst and Masonicare Hospice for their help.

The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl Street, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.
Rita E. (Ward) Snyder of Greenhaven Road, Pawcatuck, passed away at Watch Hill Care and Rehab on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2009, at the age of 92. She was the wife of the late William Snyder.

Rita was born in Pawcatuck, the daughter of the late George and Jane Ward. Mrs. Snyder had been employed for many years as an office manager at the former Allen Finance in Westerly. A communicant of St. Michael Church in Pawcatuck, Rita devoted her life to caring for her extended family.

She is survived by several nieces and nephews as well as several great nieces and great nephews.

She was predeceased by two brothers, George and Frederick Ward, and three sisters; Anne Ward, Mary Stewart and Agnes Williams.

A Funeral Liturgy will be celebrated in St. Michael Church on Liberty Street, Pawcatuck, on Saturday at 10 am. Burial will be in St. Michael Cemetery. There are no visiting hours.

In lieu of flowers, family requests contributions be made to St. Michael School, 60 Liberty St., Pawcatuck, Ct 06379 in Rita’s memory.

Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly, is in charge of the arrangements. For online condolences please go to wwwgaffney-dolanfuneralhome.com.
Robert Jenkins Snyder Sr. died peacefully at home on Oct. 4, 2004, in Stonington. He was born on March 30, 1925, in New York City. He attended The Harvey School and graduated from the Taft School. He went on to Williams College, graduated from the Cornell University V12 Program and served as a naval officer in World War II. After the war, Bob returned to work for Bethlehem Steel in their Loop Program. He was a partner with the firm of Ingalls & Snyder in New York City for many years, until he decided to pursue his lifelong passion of "...simply messing about in boats." Dedon Boat Yard, the marina he purchased in 1986, with two of his sons, Matthew and Robert Jr., has been widely recognized as one of the leading boatyards in the Northeast over the past 24 years.

His many interests included journalism, story-telling, bicycling and pre-stidigitation. A long-time resident of Stonington, Robert was an active member in parish life at Calvary Episcopal Church, having served on the Vestry and the Music Committee. He was member of the hand-bell choir and enjoyed being a lay reader and choir bearer. Bob was a Burgess, a volunteer fireman and also served on the boards of the Village Improvement Association and the Planning and Zoning Commission.

A long-time member and trustee of the American Yacht Club in Rye, N.Y., he was also a member of the New York Yacht Club, the Wadawanack Club, the newly formed Stonington Harbor Yacht Club and the East Haddam Fish & Game Club.

Robert is survived by his wife of 56 years, the former Martha Templeton Perry; his daughter Anne; his three sons, Matthew, Robert Jr. and Peter; their spouses Amy Grier Cochrane, Maire Giffen Snyder and Paul Damian Eliithorpe. There are also four grandchildren, Bolden, Henry, Marjorie and Charles; and two brothers, John T. and William E.J. Snyder.

The funeral service will be held at Calvary Church, 27 Church St., in the Borough of Stonington, on Thursday, Oct. 7, at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be sent to Calvary Church, Calvary Music School, Stonington Village Improvement Association, or the Stonington Free Library.

Byles-Groton Memorial home, 310 Thames St., New London, is in charge of arrangements. Please visit www.byless.com for directions, obituary and the family's on-line registry.
John Socha

John D. Socha, 82, of Washington Street in Pawcatuck, died Friday at his residence. He was the beloved husband of Francesca (Mazzarella) Socha, and they were married for 56 years.

Born on March 12, 1918, in Warren, R.I., he was the son of the late John M. and Veronica (Jaworski) Socha, and he was a graduate of the University of Rhode Island in 1939.

After graduating, he was employed at Hamilton Standard and the he went to work at Electric Boat in Groton as an engineer design supervisor, retiring in 1981. Mr. Socha then was employed by Supervisor of Shipbuilding in Groton until 1986.

He was a communicant of St. Michael Church and a member of the University of Rhode Island Centennial Club, The Knights of Columbus and The Westerly Elks Lodge 678. Mr. Socha was an avid golfer and belonged to the Winnipaug Country Club and SNEBSGA.

Survivors besides his wife are: a son and daughter-in-law, John J. and Nancy Highfill-Socha of Westerly; two daughters and a son-in-law, Mary Socha of Brookline, Mass., and Lynne and John Stenhouse of Stonington, Conn.; a brother, Ernest Socha of Providence; a sister, Pelagia Socha of Warren; and two grandsons, Aaron M. Socha and Nathan T. Socha, both of Westerly. He was predeceased by a brother, Joseph Socha.

A Mass of Christian burial will be 9 a.m. Tuesday in St. Michael Church, 60 Liberty St. Burial will follow at St. Sebastian Cemetery. There is no procession from the funeral home. Visiting hours are at The Rushlow-lacoi Funeral Home on Monday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial donations be made to: St. Michael School, 68 Liberty St., Pawcatuck, Conn., 06379.
Robert H. Soderberg

Robert H. “Bob” Soderberg, 87, of Oriole Street, Pawcatuck, passed away peacefully on Wednesday at The Westerly Hospital.

He was born in Waterbury on July 12, 1921, the son of Robert B. and Marion Howes Soderberg. After receiving his education, he served in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II.

Bob enjoyed a distinguished 60-year career with various companies, including Louis Allis in Milwaukee, Wis., Davis Standard in Pawcatuck, and Haley Controls in Stonington – all involving system engineering and application of electrical drives and controls.

In his spare time, he was an avid sportsman, enjoying fly-fishing, hunting, camping and skiing.


A Memorial Service will be conducted at The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl Street, Mystic, on Saturday, Dec. 6, at 11 a.m. Private burial with military honors will precede at St. Michael New Cemetery. There are no visiting hours.

Donations in his memory may be made to the Stonington Free Library, P.O. Box 232, Stonington, CT 06378 (www.stoningtonfreelibrary.org).

For information, directions, or to share a note of remembrance/condolence with Bob’s family, please visit www.dinotofuneral.com.
Lilla Solodiuk

Mystic — Lilla O. Solodiuk, 85, died May 28, 2017, in Mystic, following a courageous battle with a serious illness. She was born Dec. 23, 1931, in Mystic, a daughter of Joseph and Caterina Oteri. She graduated from New London Business College, worked at the Naval Underwater Systems Center and married Alexander Solodiuk on Dec. 2, 1951, in Mystic.

Lilla was a very caring, good-hearted, giving person. She was a devoted sister, mother and grandmother, as well as an excellent cook. She lovingly cared for many of her relatives in their elder years.

She is survived by her sister, Frances (Oteri) Krueger; her son, Joseph Solodiuk, his wife, Jean Solodiuk, and their children, Lydia and Eli; her daughter, Mary Anne Solodiuk; her cousins, Bonita Oteri and Tony Oteri and his family.

She was predeceased by her husband, Alexander Solodiuk, her parents, her cousin, Antonietta Masciarelli, her cousin, Benito Oteri and his wife, Olive.

Her family will receive friends from 3 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, June 4, at the Mystic Funeral Home located on Route 1 in Mystic. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 9 a.m. on Monday at St. Patrick Church, 32 East Main St., Mystic. Her burial will follow at Elm Grove Cemetery in Mystic where she will be laid to rest next to her husband.

In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to a charity of one’s choice.
Jos. F. Solt Is Dead at 58

STONINGTON — Joseph F. Solt, operator of Spicer's Stonington Marina for the past 12 years, husband of Mrs. Katherine (O'Rourke) Solt of Harbor View Terrace, Stonington, died unexpectedly last night at his home. He was 58 years old.

Mr. Solt was born in Nescopeck, Pennsylvania, on October 14, 1903, son of the late Alonzo and Cora Thomas Solt.

He came to Stonington in 1929, moving here from Poquonnock Bridge.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Solt is survived by two brothers, Clyde T. Solt of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Robert C. Solt of Poquonnock Bridge; a sister, Mrs. Edith Davis of Warrior Run, Pa., and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral service will be held at the Williams Funeral Home, 34 Main Street, Stonington on Saturday at 11 a.m. Interment will be in Elm Grove Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home on Thursday and Friday evenings, 7 to 9 o'clock.
Kenneth Soltz

Stonington — Kenneth Soltz of Pawcatuck passed away on Sunday, June 9, 2013, at Fairview Nursing Home in Groton, surrounded by family and friends.

Ken was born on Jan. 25, 1949, at Lawrence Memorial Hospital in New London. He grew up on 16 Dart St., the youngest of three children. Graduating from New London High School in 1967, Ken went on to study pharmacy at the University of Connecticut from where he graduated in 1972. There, he was a member of the Kappa Psi fraternity. Afterward, he accepted a position in the pharmacy at Lawrence Memorial Hospital, where he remained for 40 years.

In recent years, Ken became a recreational golfer and had many interests including gardening, playing blackjack, watching the Yankees, and rooting for the UConn basketball teams. He was also a member of the Ahavath Chessed Synagogue. But, his first loves were always his family and the many friends he found along his journey.

Ken is survived by his wife of 38 years this October, Judy (Hall) Soltz and their daughter, Jacqueline Soltz; his mother, Sallie (Horowitz) Soltz; sister Charlene Soltz Elkes and her husband; his uncles, Lester and Seymour; mother-in-law and sister-in-law, Helen Danz Hall and Christine Hall; and his Norfolk terrier, Beatrix Soltz.

He was predeceased by his father and brother, Jacob and Howard Soltz; his favorite father-in-law, Robert Gordon Hall; and his first dogs, Baxter and Bennett Soltz.

We are grateful to those who have supported us and who cared for Ken during this time. We would especially like to thank Nancy ‘Freddie’ Duhaime, Nagy Wasef, and the rest of the pharmacy crew, as well as Pam and Dick Walsh, and all of our family friends.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Howard Soltz Memorial Scholarship at New London and Fitch high schools or University of Connecticut School of Pharmacy in his name. The family will be arranging a separate scholarship fund in Ken’s name at New London and Stonington high schools.

Calling hours will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, June 12, at Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, 51 Williams Ave., Mystic. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, June 13, at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Elm Grove Cemetery, Route 27, Mystic.

The family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneral-home.com to leave an online message of condolences.
Eva M. Somerset

Eva M. (Moculski) Somerset, 83, of Greenmeadow Road, Pawcatuck, died Thursday, June 14, 2007, at home, surrounded by her family. Mrs. Somerset was born in Dexter, N.Y. She was the wife of the late John R. Somerset and the daughter of the late Peter and Victoria (Yarrow) Moculski.

Mrs. Somerset was employed as a Quality Control Inspector at Victor Electric Corp. until her retirement in 1990. She also worked as a housekeeper and caregiver for many local families in the Westerly area.

Prior to her illness Mrs. Somerset was an avid gardener, knitter and baker. She was devoted to her family. Her hobbies included reading, doing word searches, playing Scrabble with her family, and knitting blankets for patients at The Westerly Hospital. She was a communicant of St. Michael Church in Pawcatuck.

Mrs. Somerset is survived by her daughters Kathleen Friedel of Pawcatuck, Janice Somerset of Annapolis, Md., Gail Thompson of Westerly and Judith Bigouette of Pawcatuck. She is also survived by her grandchildren, David Friedel, M.D., of Richmond, Va., Kimberly Friedel of Annapolis, Md., Chryssa Barrett Mitchell and her husband, Christian Mitchell of Cranston and John-Paul Bigouette of Pawcatuck and her brother Steven Moculski and his wife Emma of Phoenix, Ariz., as well as several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her daughter Donna M. Barrett, her brothers Anthony, John, and Edward Moculski, her sister Anna Moculski and her son-in-law, Rep. John Thompson.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Mass of Christian Burial on Monday, June 18, at 11 a.m. at St. Michael Church in Pawcatuck.

Burial immediately following the mass at St. Sebastian’s Cemetery in Westerly.

Visiting hours will be held on Sunday, June, 17, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly.

Donations may be made in her memory to Hospice of Southeastern Connecticut, P.O. Box 902, Uncasville, CT 06382.
Paul Sommers  
Paul was born May 10, 1925, in Medford, Mass., the son of Herschel and Myrtle (McCloud) Sommers. He graduated from Northeastern University.
He served in the U.S. Army in World War II and fought in the Battle of the Bulge. Paul was a dedicated teacher on Block Island for two years, then finished his teaching career with another 30 years at Fitch Junior High in Groton.
Paul was preceded in death by his first wife, Roberta (Bodington) Sommers, who died in 1980, and by two sisters.
Surviving are his children, son Karl Sommers, husband of Joan Wesa Sommers, of Voluntown, grandchildren, Erik and Jayme; and daughter, Paula Bovino, wife of Michael Bovino, of Stonington, grandchildren, Michael, Thomas, Chris, and Steven. He is also survived by a brother, Roderic Sommers of Needham, Mass., and many nieces and nephews.
Paul married Eleanor Sommers in 1984, who survives along with her children, Margaret Monahan, wife of Kelly Monahan, of Chambersburg, Pa., and Robert Salzer, husband of Victoria Salzer, of Bolivar, N.Y. He also left six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.
A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 29, 2008, at the Road Church of Stonington, 903 Pequot Trail.
In lieu of flowers and because of his love for his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, donations may be made to Shriner Hospital For Children — Boston, 55 Blossom St., Boston MA 02114.
Joan Soons

Stonington — Joan (Horton) Soons, 85, of Stonington, wife of the late William Soons, died peacefully at home Monday, July 4, 2016, after a brief illness.

Born in Englewood, N.J., she was the daughter of the late John and Madeleine (Hull) Horton. Joan lived in New Jersey most of her life, moving to Stonington in her later years.

She trained as a registered nurse at St. Luke's Hospital in New York City and worked as an Emergency Room nurse at the Englewood Hospital and Medical Center in Englewood N.J., for 35 years.

An avid golfer, tennis player and sailor, Joan enjoyed her athletic pursuits as a longtime active member of the Knickerbocker Country Club in Englewood and later at the Stonington Country Club, the Wadawanuck Club, and the Stonington Harbor Yacht Club, where she sailed in recent years with the ideal 18 women's team.

Joan also enjoyed playing bridge with groups at Windstar on Naples Bay as a seasonal resident in Florida and at the Stonington Country Club. Travel played a significant part of her life exploring the world around her. She had many talents in addition to athletic ability. She enjoyed knitting, needlepoint and had a deep appreciation of the theater and musical arts.

As a member of the Englewood Garden Club, she honed her skills as a flower arranger, developing and exhibiting her talent to also become a floral design judge. As a respected Garden Club of America member, she received the esteemed GCA Judge Emeritus Award in 2015. Joan was also honored to be invited by the White House to participate in decorating the West Wing during the Christmas holidays.

She is survived by her three children by her first husband, W.R. Voorhees, Peter and his wife, Robin, of Naples, N.Y., Susan of Stonington, Christopher and his wife, Penny, of Chapel Hill, N.C., and grandchildren, Mikko and Brody Voorhees. Her brother, John Horton and his wife, Toni, of Davis, Calif., also survive her.

While her family always came first, Joan was a good friend to all who knew her. Her effervescent spirit will be missed.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 16, at Calvary Episcopal Church, 27 Church St., Stonington, where Joan was a parishioner. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Center for Hospice Care Southeast Connecticut, 227 Dunham St., Norwich, CT 06360.
William Soons


Born in Englewood, N.J., he was the son of the late Sidney and Martha (Dunhill) Soons. Bill spent most of his life residing in New Jersey where he attended local schools and was a graduate of The Lawrenceville Academy.

He continued his education at Princeton University, Class of 1944, and Columbia Law School, Class of 1948. Bill was a longtime partner of Soons & Soons Law Firm in New York City & Englewood, N.J. He was a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II.

Besides his wife, he leaves three children, three step-children, two sisters and six grandchildren.

Funeral services and burial are private. There are no calling hours.

The Mystic Funeral Home, Mystic has charge of arrangements.
Joanne Sorrento 10/3/18

Pawcatuck — Joanne M. (Mazzarella) Sorrento, 87, of Pawcatuck, passed away at Apple Rehab Mystic on Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018, just nine days after her beloved husband of 62 years, Philip Sorrento, passed away.

Born in Pawcatuck, she was the daughter of the late Joseph and Angelina Mazzarella. Joanne was a graduate of the RI School of Nursing before receiving her master’s degree from the University of New Haven.

She was employed in 1959 at The Westerly Hospital as a registered nurse and worked her way up to director of nursing in 1976, a position she retained until February of 1987. Among other achievements, Joanne was instrumental in establishing a cardiac rehabilitation program and implementing ambulatory care services. She then served as a nursing consultant and later as an administrative consultant until her retirement.

She was a longtime communicant of St. Michael’s Church. She leaves two children, Joseph M. Sorrento and Steven Sorrento and fiancée, Lisa Shaw, all of Pawcatuck; and a grandson, Riley Sorrento of Groton.

She was predeceased by her twin sister, Jean Newbury and survived by Jean’s husband, Philip T. Newbury and a brother-in-law, James Crowley. Joanne was also predeceased by her brothers, Carl and Michael; and sisters, Frances, Ida, Josephine, Eleanor and Mary.

Visiting hours will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 5, at Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. Relatives and friends are also invited to attend a funeral liturgy that will take place at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6, at St. Mary’s Church, 95 Main St., Stonington. There is no procession from the funeral home to church. Burial will follow at St. Michael Cemetery, Pawcatuck.

For online condolences please visit www.gaffney-dolanfuneralhome.com.
Phil Sorrento
Pawcatuck — Phil Sorrento, 89, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2018, at Saint Mary's Hospital in Waterbury. He is survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Joanne (Mazzarella) Sorrento. Born in Port Chester, N.Y., to the late Joseph and Mary Sorrento, the family relocated to Pawcatuck. Other survivors include his sons, Joseph Sorrento and Steven Sorrento and fiancée, Lisa Shaw, all of Pawcatuck; and the apple of his eye, his grandson, Riley Sorrento; his sister, Mary Knowles; and niece, Cynthia Knowles.
Phil served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. From a very young age, Phil was always infatuated with cars, especially Fords of the '30s and '40s. He later changed his allegiance to Chevrolet, and his favorite of all was his 1957 Chevrolet Bel-Air convertible.
An avid New York Yankees and New York Giants fan, Phil enjoyed following both teams and talking sports with his sons and grandson.
Special thanks go out to his home caretakers and Vitas Healthcare in Phil's final months.
Phil's life will be celebrated with a private service by family and close friends.
Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly is in charge of the arrangements.
For online condolences please visit www.gaffney-dolanfuneralhome.com.
Gordon Souter

Stonington — Gordon Stuart Souter died in England, surrounded by his wife and family, on Oct. 31, 2013, after a long illness.

He was born on March 14, 1931, in Brechin, Scotland. He grew up in Scotland, where he learned to play golf as a little boy.

He trained as a pharmacist at Robert Gordon School of Pharmacy in Aberdeen, Scotland. His career was spent at the business end of the industry, as a managing director and director of international sales, retiring from Rorer Pharmaceuticals in 1990.

He married Caroline Cochran in 1968 and spent his remaining years as a resident of Stonington, and Bury St. Edmunds, England, pursuing his passion for golf and travel, often combining the two. He also enjoyed music, walking and reading. He was a member of the Wadawanuck Club and The Stonington Country Club in Connecticut and Purdis Heath Golf Club in Ipswich, England.

He was a true Scot, wearing the kilt with pride. He loved the pipes, Robert Burns and a drop of the amber nectar.

For many years, he hosted a Burns Night party on Jan. 25.

In addition to his beloved wife, he is survived by his children, Susan Crane and Hamish Souter of England; his stepsons, Todd Cochran of Little Rock, Ark., and Bill Cochran of Dallas; his sister, Edith Hathaway of Sudbury, England; six grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded by a sister, Marion Blake.

A memorial service will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 18, Calvary Church, Stonington.

Memorial contributions may be sent to The Stonington Free Library.
Angeline Sousa

Stonington — Angeline (Marino) Sousa, 89, of Watch Hill Avenue, Stonington, died Saturday evening at the Westerly Hospital, where she had been a patient for the past two weeks.

She was born in Camden, N.J., on Aug. 19, 1916, daughter of the late Joseph and Sarafina Mariano. She married David Sousa on Sept. 3, 1938, in Westerly. He died in 1983.

Mrs. Sousa had been employed by the former Flax Co. in Stonington and later by the Monsanto Co. She had also worked for the Ayer family in Stonington. She was a communicant of St. Mary Church in Stonington.

She is survived by her daughter, Jacqueline Ballato of Stonington; her granddaughter, Kimberly Sullivan of Gales Ferry; her grandson, Kevin Ballato of Stonington; and her great-grandson, Clan Sullivan.

The funeral will be held from the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic on Wednesday, Aug. 16 at 9:15 a.m., with a funeral Mass at St. Mary Church, Stonington, at 10 a.m. Burial will be in St. Mary Cemetery. Relatives and friends may call at the funeral home on Tuesday from 5 to 8 p.m.

Contributions may be made in her memory to St. Edmund’s Retreat, P.O. Box 399, Mystic, CT 06355.

The Sousa family invites you to visit mystfuneralhome.com for obituary information, directions, and an online memorial register to leave a note of condolence.
Joseph Sousa

WESTERLY—Joseph Sousa, 61, of 16 Swan St., Pawcatuck, died Tuesday afternoon at Westerly Hospital.

A native of Stonington, he was born Jan. 12, 1909, the son of Jos-eph and Amelia Pacheco Sousa. He attended Stonington schools.

Mr. Sousa was last employed as a machinist at the Cottrell Co. in Pawcatuck after previously working for the Atwood Machine Co. and Messante Corp., in Stonington.

He was a member of the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society and a former member of Nina Council, Knights of Columbus. He was a communicant of St. Mary's Church, Stonington.

Survivors include his widow, the former Madeline Ledwidge of Pawcatuck; two sons, Richard with the Air Force in Guam, and Joseph Sousa of Stonington; two daughters, Mrs. Joseph Turano of Pawcatuck and Mrs. Freidel Skraba of Noank; a brother, Al- bert Sousa of Pawcatuck; a sis- ter, Mrs. Anthony Santos of Pas-adena, Fla., and five grandchil-

The funeral will be at 8:15 a.m. Friday from the Shea-Williams Funeral Home, Pawcatuck, to a Requiem High Mass at 9:30 at St. Mary's Church, Stonington. Interment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Calling hours are from 7 to 9 tonight and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday.

SOUZA — In Westerly, R. I. October 14, 1969, Joseph Sousa, aged 61 years of 16 Swan St., Pawcatuck, Conn., husband of Ma- deline Ledwidge Sousa.

The funeral will be held from the Shea-Williams Funeral Home, 118 West Broad St., Pawcatuck, Conn., Friday, October 17, 1969, at 9:30 a.m. Requiem Mass at St. Mary's Church, Stonington at 10:45 a.m. Interment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday.

Joseph Teurer.

Mr. Sousa's name was also included in the obituary.
Lenora Jacqueline Sousa

STONINGTON — Lenora Jacqueline Sousa, 77, formerly of Water Street, died Sunday morning, Sept. 19, at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital in New London.

She was born April 26, 1922, in Stonington, the daughter of Joaquin and Mary Pacheco Sousa. She attended local schools and graduated from Emerson University with a degree in English literature.

She taught at a private girls' school in New York City, and later in Block Island and in the Waterford school system.

She was a member of St. Mary Church in Stonington, and also a member of the Emerson University Alumni Association and the Bell Group at the Groton Regency, where she lived for the past few years.

She is survived by three nieces including Jacqueline Ballato of Stonington.

Services were held Wednesday, Sept. 22. Mystic Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Lenora Sousa

STONINGTON — Lenora Jacqueline Sousa, 77, formerly of 87 Water St., died Sunday at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital.

She was born in Stonington, April 26, 1922, the daughter of the late Joaquin and Mary Pacheco Sousa.

She attended local schools and was a graduate of Emerson University, with a degree in English literature.

She taught at a private girl's school in New York City and later in Block Island and in the Waterford school system.

She was a member of St. Mary's Church in Stonington, a member of the Emerson University Alumni Association and the Bell Group at Groton Regency, where she had lived for the past three years.

She is survived by three nieces, Jacqueline Ballato of Stonington, Dana Romine of Chatilly, Va., and Sharon Mariscal of New Orleans, La.

A memorial Mass will be held at St. Mary's Church at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday. Burial will be private in St. Mary's Cemetery. There are no calling hours. Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.
PHOEBE SONG

Southeast, Stoughton Com. Nov. 16, 1892. Phoebe
Moses, age 63, of 67 Water St., Stoughton, died at 8:15 a.m. East
Wednesday, Nov. 16, at the home of her son, Mr. Christopher
Moses, a short time before 8:15 a.m. She was a communicant of
St. Mary's Church. Burial in St. Mary's Cemetery, Stoughton. The
funeral will be held from the home of the late Miss S. Moses,
Wednesday, at 10 a.m. in St. Mary's Church. Burial in St.
Mary's Cemetery. Calling hours will be held Tuesday evening
from 7-10 p.m. at the home of the late Miss S. Moses, Stoughton.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Joaquin and Maria
(Pacheco) Sousa, of Stoughton, and one brother, Henry Sousa,
also of Stoughton. A son, Mr. Christopher Moses, also of Stoughton,
and a daughter, Mrs. Josephine Costa, both of Stoughton, also
survived. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations
be made to St. Mary's Church, Stoughton, Mass.
Agnes Souza

Stonington — Agnes Petroski Souza, 74, of 335 Elm St., died Friday at The Westerly Hospital, where she had been admitted on Wednesday.

Mrs. Souza was born on Feb. 26, 1924, in New Marlborough, Mass., the daughter of the late John and Gussie Murphy Petroski.

She married Moretto J. Souza on Nov. 7, 1952, in Manchester, N.H.

She attended schools in Marlborough. Afterward, she and her husband moved to Stonington, where she was employed by the Plax Co., where she operated a bottle making machine. She retired in 1990.

Mrs. Souza and her husband operated an upholstery business from their home. She was active with crafts, making quilts and sewing. She also was an avid card player, playing pitch with the same group on Saturday nights for many years.

She was a communicant of St. Mary Church, Stonington.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a daughter, Noreen Higgins of Stonington; four sisters, Gertrude Souza of Pawcatuck, Virginia Chace of Lauderdale, Fla., Margaret Meagher of New Jersey, and Katherine Bealveau of New Hampshire; a brother, Joseph Petroski of New Hampshire; and two grandchildren.

She was predeceased by two brothers, John and Steven Petroski; and two sisters, Anna Roberts and Mary Lavoie.

A funeral will be held at 9:35 a.m. Tuesday at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. at St. Mary Church.

Burial will be in Stonington Cemetery.

Visiting hours are 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Joseph Sousa

WESTERLY — Joseph Sousa, 61, of 10 Swan St., Pawcatuck, died Tuesday afternoon at Westerly Hospital.

A native of Stonington, he was born Jan. 12, 1957, the son of Joseph and Amelia Pacehco Sousa.

He attended Stonington schools.

Mr. Sousa was last employed as a machinist at the Cottrell Co. in Pawcatuck after previously working for the Alwood Machine Co.

He was a member of the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society and a former member of Nona Council, Knights of Columbus. He was a communicant of St. Mary’s Church, Stonington.

Survivors include his widow, the former Madeline Ledwidge of Pawcatuck; four sons, Richard with the Air Force in Guam, and Joseph Sousa of Stonington; two daughters, Mrs. Joseph Turano of Pawcatuck and Mrs. Fredie Skrab of Norwich; a brother, Albert Sousa of Pawcatuck; a sister, Mrs. Anthony Santos of Pawcatuck; and five grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Friday from the Shea-Williams Funeral Home, Pawcatuck, to a Requiem High Mass at 1 p.m. at St. Mary’s Church, Stonington. Interment will be in St. Mary’s Cemetery.

Calling hours are from 7 to 9 tonight and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday.

Sousa — In Westerly, R.I., Oct. 12, 1997, Joseph Sousa, aged 61 years of 10 Swan St., Pawcatuck, Conn., husband of Madeline Ledwidge Sousa.

The funeral will be held from the Shea-Williams Funeral Home, 119 West Broad St., Pawcatuck, Conn., Friday, Oct. 17, 1997, at 12:30 p.m. Interment will be at St. Mary’s Cemetery, Stonington, Conn.
Alfred Souza

Stonington — Alfred J. Souza, 78, of 5 School St., died Wednesday at The Westerly Hospital, where he had been admitted Sunday.

He was born Sept. 1, 1921, in the Stonington house where he lived, the son of the late Mariano and Maria Melo Souza. He married Diamantina Mello on July 1, 1944, in Fall River, Mass.

He was an Army veteran of World War II, having served with the 704th Military Police Battalion. He was employed by the U.S. Postal Service in Stonington for 35 years, retiring in 1984. He also worked for Hartford National Bank, later Connecticut National Bank, for 25 years.

He was a communicant of St. Mary Church in Stonington and a member of the James W. Harvey Post, American Legion; the Steamer Engine Co. of the Stonington Fire Department, which he served as treasurer; and the Stonington Ambulance Corps.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Diane Veleg of Stonington, two sisters, Angelina Provis of Pawcatuck and Leopoldina Carreiro of Fall River, Mass.; and two grandsons.

He was predeceased by a brother, Manuel M. Souza; and a sister, Mary E. Souza.

The funeral will be at 9:15 a.m. Monday from the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. at St. Mary Church, Stonington. Burial will be in St. Mary Cemetery.

Calling hours will be from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Stonington Ambulance Corps, P.O. Box 424, Stonington, CT 06378.
Alzira Souza

Stonington — Alzira Marguerida (Machado) Souza, one of the last Portuguese residents of the Borough, died Tuesday, February 7th at the age of 86.

She was the widow of Benjamin Souza whom she married on July 19, 1911.

She will be missed by sons, Dennis and Frederick Souza; daughter-in-law, Nancy; granddaughters, Allison and Bryn Souza; and close friends, Paula Malheiro, and Mary and Juliette Pont.

Guests may call at Dinoto Funeral Home on Friday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Mary Church, Stonington, at 11 a.m. Burial will follow in Stonington Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be sent to the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society Scholarship Fund, 26 Main Street, Stonington CT 06378.

Further information is available at www.dinotofuneral.com.
Benjamin A. Souza

Funeral arrangements have been completed for Benjamin A. Souza, 86, of 19 School St., Stonington, who died Sunday, July 5, 1998, at Mariner Healthcare at Pendleton in Mystic, after a brief illness.

Born in Fall River, Mass., April 13, 1913, one of nine children of Manuel M. and Isabel (Rocha) Souza. Raised in Fall River, he moved to Stonington at age 18. He married Alzira Machado on July 19, 1941, in Stonington.

Mr. Souza started his work career in Stonington in 1931 as a groundskeeper at Evergreen Cemetery in Stonington. He then worked at the American Velvet Mill for 36 years before retiring. He later returned to work at Evergreen.

He was a communicant of St. Mary Church, Stonington, and a lifetime member of the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society where he served as bookkeeper for 38 years.

Mr. Souza served in the 14th Armored Division of the Army at the Battle of the Bulge during World War II. He was a member of the Harley P. Chase Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Pawcatuck; the Hugo A. Simonelli Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Mystic; the James W. Harvey Post, American Legion, Stonington, and the 14th Armored Division Association.

Active in Stonington High School soccer events for many years, he co-founded the Stonington Youth Soccer program with the late Frank Turek in the mid-1960s.

In addition to his wife, he leaves two sons and daughters-in-law, Frederick J. and Nancy Souza and Dennis J. and Jennie Souza; a brother, Louis Souza; and a sister, Stella Reay, all of Stonington; and two granddaughters.

He was predeceased by four brothers, Manuel, Joseph, Frank and John Souza; and two sisters, Mary Garcia and Evelyn Barber.

The funeral will be held Thursday at 9:15 a.m. from The Dinofo Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, to a funeral Mass in St. Mary Church, Stonington, at 10 a.m. Interment will follow in Stonington Cemetery. Visiting hours are Wednesday evening from 6 to 8.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Philip Souza Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Portuguese Holy Ghost Society, 25 Main St., Stonington, 06378; or the Stonington Visiting Nurse Association, 20 South Anguilla Road, Pawcatuck, 06379.
Benjamin Souza
Founded Stonington Youth Soccer Program

By JOHN FOLEY
Day Staff Writer

Stonington — Benjamin A. Souza, 85, of 19 School St., a prominent figure in soccer for many years in the community, died Sunday at Marina Healthcare at Pendleton in Mystic after a brief illness.

Mr. Souza worked constantly to interest young people in soccer long before the sport attained its present popularity. He and the late Frank Turek co-founded the Stonington Youth Soccer Program in the mid-1960s and he was one of the staunchest supporters of soccer in Stonington High School.

He was instrumental in forming a soccer team sponsored by the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society, where he was a lifetime member and bookkeeper for 38 years. The team was in a league that included teams from New Bedford and Fall River, Mass.

Mr. Souza was an outstanding soccer player in his youth, playing for semi-pro and regional teams. He loved the sport to the end of his life and was tremendously gratified with its growth.

He was born on April 13, 1913, in Fall River, one of nine children of Manuel M. and Isabel Rocha Souza, immigrants from the Azores. He attended schools in Fall River before moving at age 16 to Stonington. He then worked as a groundskeeper at Evergreen (Stonington) Cemetery.

Mr. Souza retired after 38 years with American Velvet Co. He then returned to work at Evergreen Cemetery, where he originally started 67 years ago. He worked until his late 70s before retiring a second time, his family noted.

Mr. Souza was in the Army during World War II. He served in Europe and was in the famed Battle of the Bulge.

He was a member of Harley P. Chase Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Pawtucket; Hugo A. Simonelli Post, VFW, Mystic; James W. Harvey Post, American Legion, and the 14th Armored Division Association. He was a communicant of St. Mary's Church, Stonington.

Mr. Souza married Alzira Machado Souza on July 19, 1941, at St. Mary's Church, Stonington. In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Frederick J. Souza and Dennis J. Souza, both of Stonington; a brother, Louis Souza of Stonington; a sister, Stella Reay of Stonington; and two granddaughters.

He was predeceased by four brothers, Manuel, Joseph, Frank and John Souza, and two sisters, Mary Garcia and Evelyn Barber.

The funeral will assemble at 9:15 a.m. Thursday at Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, and proceed to a Funeral Mass at 10 a.m. at St. Mary's Church. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery. Calling hours are 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Gifts in memory of Mr. Souza can be made to the Philip Souza Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Portuguese Holy Ghost Society, 26 Main St., Stonington, 06378, or to the Stonington Visiting Nurse Association, 20 South Aquilla Rd, Pawtucket, 02861.
Diana Souza
Stonington — Diana Mello Carbeiro Souza, 79, of School Street, Stonington, died Tuesday at Mariner Health Care at Pendleton after a brief illness.
She was born in Fall River, Mass., on Aug. 21, 1933, a daughter of the late
Antone and Maria Gouveia Carbeiro.
She married Alfred J. Souza on July 1, 1954 in Fall River. He died in February 2000.
Mrs. Souza had been employed at the former Atwood Machine Co. during
World War II.
She was a communicant of St. Mary
Church in Stonington and a member of
Our Lady of Fatima Society.
She is survived by a daughter, Diane
Velez of Stonington; four brothers,
Antone Carbeiro, Alfred Carbeiro,
Joseph Carbeiro and John Carbeiro, all
of Fall River, Mass.; a sister, Elaine
Pacheco of Tiverton, R.I.; two grandsons,
Anthony J. and Michael Velez.
She was predeceased by her brother,
Manuel Carbeiro; and her sister
Ironlina Carneau.
The funeral will begin at 9:15
Saturday at the Mystic Funeral Home,
Route 1, Mystic, with a 10 a.m. Mass of
Christian Burial at St. Mary Church in
Stonington. Burial will be in St. Mary
Cemetery. Relatives and friends may call
from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday at the
funeral home.

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Evelyn Souza

Stonington — Evelyn Nichols Souza, 69, of 451 Pequot Trail, Pawcatuck, died Thursday at the Rhode Island Hospital in Providence following an extended illness.

She was born March 30, 1924, daughter of the late William and Lillian White Nichols. She was a lifelong resident of Stonington.

She married her high school sweetheart, Louis Souza, on April 27, 1942, in Stonington.

She worked at the Monsanto Corp. for 31 years, retiring in 1983. She also served as a consultant for two years following her retirement.

After her retirement, she devoted her time to family, friends, and to St. Michael's Church in Pawcatuck.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Louis Souza of Gaithersburg, Md.; a daughter, Lillian Arbour of Pawcatuck; two brothers, John Nichols of Pawcatuck and Carlton Nichols of Moncks Corner, S.C.; and four grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Michael's Church, Liberty Street, Pawcatuck. Burial will follow in the Stonington Cemetery.

Calling hours will be 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday at the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly.
Gertrude Souza

Stonington — Gertrude Souza, 79, of Stonington, passed away suddenly on Sunday, Jan. 6, exactly one year after the passing of her husband, Joseph Souza. The couple had been married 38 years prior. They formerly resided at 32 Lathrop Avenue in Pawcatuck, however Gertrude had been in residence at Pendleton Nursing Home for the past year.

Born on May 3, 1928, Gertrude was originally from New Hampshire. Orphaned at an early age Gertrude entered the convent at 18 and was an active Carmelite Nun, known as Sister Roberta. She worked with the elderly population until 1986. After retiring from the order, Gertrude moved to Stonington, where she met and married, Joseph. Gertrude was one of 10 children.

She was predeceased by her siblings, Anna Roberts, Mary Richards, Agnes Souza, Steven Petrosky and John Petrosky.

Three sisters, Ginger Chase and Peggy Fitzel of Florida, and Catherine Beliveau of New Hampshire and Joseph Petrosky survive her.

Gertrude loved to sew, knit and crochet. She made pillows, blankets, potholders, bedspreads, clothing and more for family and friends. She did daycare for family and neighbors also. Gertrude treasured her Siamese cat Sable and appreciated that after she became ill, Sable was well taken care of by neighbors, the Westerly Animal Shelter and most recently by an adoptive family.

Gertrude enjoyed word searches, crossword puzzles and 1,000-piece puzzles to keep her mind sharp.

While at Pendleton, she made many new friends, especially her dear friend, Eva. Family and friends like Pat O’Reilly and Sandra Appleton were kind enough to stop by often to see her. Gertrude was a loving and caring soul. She was always devoted to St. Teresa and The Blessed Mother.

Gertrude and Joseph had no children of their own but leave behind many nieces and nephews, including David Burg of Providence, Tina Chase, Dean of East Greenwich, R.I., Kenny Chase, Robert Chase and Stanley Fritzes, all of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Noreen Higgins and Richard Souza of Stonington, Robert Souza of North Carolina, Barry Souza of New Hampshire, Charles and Joseph Paterno of Westerly, Betty Ann Lamphear and Beatrice Esposito, also of Westerly.

Additionally Gertrude is survived by numerous grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends and relatives Friday from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. at St. Mary’s Church, Stonington. Burial will follow in Stonington Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that you send donations to the Westerly Animal Shelter or the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center.

The Souza Family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com for obituary information, directions or to leave a note of condolence.
Grace Souza

Stonington — Grace Veronica Souza, 80, devoted mother, grandmother and great-grandmother of Stonington, passed away on Tuesday, March 29, 2016, with her family by her side.

Grace was predeceased by her beloved husband, Manuel, who died in 2012, after more than 60 years of marriage.

Born Aug. 6, 1935, Grace was originally from Carteret, N.J. She moved to Stonington in 1950 to live with her father, Joseph Soares, at the age of 15. She soon met the love of her life, Manuel, was married at 16, and began growing her family soon after. Grace spent the first half of her working years on second and third shift in Pax Bottling Corporation, and American Velvet. She went on to become a school bus driver for the Town of Stonington and drove for more than 15 years.

Grace was a “Jill” of all trades with numerous talents and interests. She was an avid gardener known for her love of roses, sewed, cross stitched and had a baking business for a number of years: “Cakes with Style By Grace,” specializing in wedding cakes. Over the years, Grace helped raise farm animals and numerous pets with her husband and children, enjoyed swimming in her pool, camping with her family and spoiling grandchildren with trips to Disney World.

A lifelong communicant of Saint Mary Church in Stonington, Grace served time on the Stonington Cemetery Association. She also volunteered as a Girl Scout leader for her granddaughter’s troop helping out with merit badge projects, field trips and many backyard campouts. In later years, Grace devoted herself to caring for her aging mother, the late Julia Mudrick, whom the family helped relocate to Stonington from New Jersey.

Grace is survived by her three sons and daughter-in-laws, Richard M. and Susan L. Souza of Stonington, Robert A. and Renee Souza of North Carolina, and Barry J. and Lorri Souza of New Hampshire. She also leaves behind grandchildren and great-grandchildren to include, Richard M. Souza Jr., wife Alexandra Souza, and their daughters, Adelyn and Fallon of Stonington; Allen R. and Samantha Souza of Washington D.C.; Ashley Souza of North Carolina; and Nicole Souza, Jeffrey Medeiros and their daughters, Ava and Zoe Medeiros of Stonington. Additionally, Grace is survived by several brothers and sisters from the Soares family of Stonington and Mankel family of New Jersey. In recent years, Grace had grown close with her brother, John Soares, as well as her sister, Mary Santos, of Stonington.

Calling hours for Grace will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, April 3, at Mystic Funeral Home on Route 1. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday, at St. Mary Church, 95 Main St., Stonington. Burial will follow in Stonington Cemetery.
Irene L. Souza, 77
Lifelong Stonington resident

STONINGTON — Irene Loretta Souza, 77, of Water Street, died Thursday evening, May 9, at The Westerly Hospital after an extended illness.

A lifelong resident of Stonington, Miss Souza was born May 8, 1919, the daughter of Antone Souza Sr. and Wilhelmina Arruda Souza. She attended local schools and was a 1937 graduate of the former Borough School.

Before retiring, Miss Souza was employed as a secretary at Electric Boat for more than 17 years. She was previously employed in the accounting department at the Monsanto Corp.

Following her retirement, Miss Souza spent her time caring for her mother who died in 1990. She was also an avid bowler and belonged to several leagues in the area.

She is survived by her brother, James R. Souza of Stonington; and two nieces. She was predeceased by a brother, Antone Souza Jr., who died April 21, 1977.

A Mass of Christian Burial is to be celebrated at St. Mary's Church, Stonington, with burial in St. Mary's Cemetery. The DiNoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl Street, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial gifts in Miss Souza's memory may be made to the Stonington Visiting Nurse Association, 20 South Anguilla Road, Pawcatuck 06379.
James Souza
Stonington — James Raymond Souza, 62, of 23 Water St., died Tuesday afternoon at Mary Elizabeth Nursing Center in Mystic, where he had lived for the past three years.

A lifelong Stonington resident, he was born June 18, 1917, the son of Antone and Wilhelmina Arruda Souza, and attended local schools.

A respected carpenter, he worked for many years at Palmer Boatworks in Stonington. He also worked at Electric Boat in Groton and Mystic Seaport.

He was a member of the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society, which he served as president for 29 years. He also was instrumental in the interior renovation of the club.

He is survived by two nieces.

The funeral will be at 9:15 a.m. Friday from The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. at St. Mary Church, Stonington. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Calling hours will be from 4 to 6 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Westerly Adult Care Center, 65 Wells St., Westerly, RI 02891, or to the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center, Chase Street, Pawcatuck, CT 06379.
OBITUARY

John H. Lewis
There was a large gathering at St. Mary's Church in the borough on Friday morning to pay his last respects to Mr. Lewis, a resident of Stonington for many years. The funeral was held at St. Mary's Church, followed by a service at the First Presbyterian Church. The family and friends were present in large numbers.

Funeral services were held at the First Presbyterian Church, with Rev. Dr. John E. Maloney, pastor, officiating. The bearers were Henry Post, Edward J. Maloney, Thomas Hawley, and John R. Reynolds.

William E. Bradley
William E. Bradley died suddenly on Monday night at his home in Mystic. He was a member of the Mystic Masonic Lodge and a member of the Mystic Masonic Temple, where the Masonic ritual was conducted.

Mrs. Frank L. Lamphere
Mrs. Frank L. Lamphere, wife of Frank L. Lamphere, died Monday at the Homeopathic Hospital in New London. She had been a patient there for several weeks.

Mrs. Frank L. Lamphere was born in New London on November 25, 1861, to James S. and Louisa Chamberlain. Her family had lived in Mystic for many years.

Funeral services were held at the Homeopathic Hospital on Monday afternoon.

Alpheus Schoonover
Alpheus Schoonover died Monday at the home of his parents in Mystic. He was 58 years old and had been a resident of Mystic for many years.

Funeral services were held at the First Presbyterian Church in Mystic on Monday afternoon. The bearers were William L. Matl, Harry M. MacKenzie, Frank Blake, and Walter Kimball.

Joachim A. Souza
Joachim A. Souza died Sunday at his home on Harmony Street in the borough. He was a member of the Mystic Lodge of Freemasons and a member of the Mystic Masonic Temple.

Supper for Members of the Mystic Lodge of Freemasons was held Wednesday evening at St. Mary's Church.

Matrons and Patrons of the Mystic Lodge of Freemasons will meet at St. Mary's Church on Thursday evening to pray for the departed.
Joseph Souza

Pawcatuck - Lifetime Stonington resident Joseph Souza, 85, passed away on Jan. 7, 2007, after spending much of the year at Pendleton Nursing Center in Mystic.

Joseph is survived by his wife of 38 years, Gertrude M. (Petrosky) Souza.

Born in Stonington Village on Oct. 29, 1921, to the late Joseph Gague Souza and Mary Pimentel Souza, "Joe" was also predeceased by his brother, Antoine Souza, and sister, Laurentina Souza.

Siblings Beatrice Souza Paterno, Norbert Souza and Manuel Souza, all of Stonington, survive him.

Joe was best known for his true passion in life, New York Yankees baseball. It was a rare occasion for Joe to miss a televised game and when he wasn't glued to the game he and his brother Manny, a Red Sox fan, enjoyed a classic brotherly team rivalry spending countless hours hashing over their teams' trials and tribulations, trades and travesties.

An all around sports fan, in the "off season" Joe relinquished some love to "Dean Town" as a Cells fan in basketball season. But sports alliances being given to favoritism one way or the other, for football Joe stayed true to New York with his number one pigskin pick, the Giants.

At age 16 Joe entered the local work force and maintained employment in Stonington for several decades starting with the former Atwoods Machine Co. in Stonington Borough. During World War II Joe was employed by Hamilton Standard Propeller in Pawcatuck.

Joe then moved on to the American Velvet Co. in Stonington Village and finally finished his working days as a daytime custodian working in both West Broad and West Vine Street schools for many years.

Joseph was a member of Saint Mary Church in Stonington and was also involved with the Portuguese Holy Ghost Club, Knights of Columbus and the Stonington Borough Fire Department's Neptune Company.

Additionally, Joseph leaves behind several nieces and nephews, including Richard M. Souza, Robert A. Souza, Barry J. Souza, Noreen (Souza) Higgins, Richard K. Souza, Robert Souza, Rhandy Souza, Betty Ann Lamphere, Charlie Paterno, Beatrice Esposito, Joseph Paterno, Tina Dean and David Burk. He is also survived by many grand- and great nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends and relatives from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Thursday at Mystic Funeral Home on Route 1 in Mystic. A Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 12 p.m. at St. Mary Church in Stonington with interment in Stonington Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center or to Westerly Animal Shelter, which took such good care of Joseph and Gertrude's beloved cat Sable when they could no longer care for her.

The Souza Family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com for obituary information, directions and an online memorial register to leave a note of condolence.
Stonington - A gentle, caring, generous heart stopped beating on Saturday, Feb. 8, 2014. Lou J. Souza, 92, of Pawcatuck, passed away following a brief illness, surrounded by his family.

Born in Fall River, Mass., on Sept. 22, 1921, Lou was the second youngest of 16 children born to Manuel and Isabel (Rocha) Souza. He was the last surviving offspring.

Lou and his family moved to Stonington Borough in 1953, the beginning of a love affair with the lovely village by the sea that lasted throughout his life.

Days in the borough's memory of his younger days was a God-given gift.

An avid golfer and former member of SENESGA (senior golf association), he wants his friends and family to know he has gone onto the Big Golf Course in the sky.

Lou is survived by his two children, Louis Souse (Sharon) of Clarksburg, Md., and Lillian Arbour (Raymond) of Pawcatuck; four grandchildren, six great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

He graduated from Stonington High School in 1941. On April 27, 1942, he married his high school sweetheart, Evelyn (Nichols) Souza. Sadly, she predeceased him on Feb. 17, 1994. In the early '50s, he built a honeymoon cottage for his beloved bride and children on Pequot Trail, calling it home for more than 50 years.

Lou's life was well lived and filled with creativity. He was a talented songwriter, and clarinet and cornet player. He also authored 14 books and numerous magazine articles two of which earned him Comcast's Outstanding Producer Awards. His documentaries are currently scheduled to be aired at 8 p.m. on Sundays on Comcast Channel 12.

His list of accomplishments include master craftsman and skilled shipwright. The family's proud slogan was, If you can spell it, Lou can build it.

As a World War II veteran and a member of the Greatest Generation, his philosophy of life is certain to be his legacy for years to come.

He proudly served in the Army as a medic in the South Pacific for 38 months. Upon his return from the war, he enrolled at Chapman Technical High School under the G.I. Bill. Lou then joined the staff of Stonington Boat Works in the borough. He was employed there for 17 years, building and repairing the wooden fishing fleet for which our town has become ever so famous.

He went on to Electric Boat to work as a loftsmen, and then as a shipbuilder at the Noank Shipyard in the '60s. He also completed the restoration of the sandbagger Annie for the Mystic Seaport and rebuilt a 19-foot Anderson catboat that was renamed Pumpkin in the early '70s.

At age 65, he began a second career at the Mystic Aquarium as a tour guide. He became a part of an elite senior group known as the Grey Seals, remaining there until age 86. He often said they were the best years of his life, developing numerous friendships that continued throughout the years.

He was a past commander of the VFW Post 1265 and past president of the Pawcatuck Little League. He was a driving force in the creation of the war memorial monument located on the front lawn of Stonington Town Hall. He never wanted his fellow comrades who died in war to be forgotten, a passion close to his heart.

During his golfing career he aced two holes in one. The first was hole #6 at Pequot Golf Course on July 14, 1987, and the second was hole #16 at Wannapaug Country Club July 28, 1990. He was extremely proud, boasting about both every chance he could.

Lou belonged to St. Michael's Church, the Stonington Historical Society, the American Legion, and was a life member of the Portuguese Holy Ghost Club, the Mystic Aquarium, and VFW Post 1265. He was also a member of the Society of Inkwell Collectors.

He and his family would like to thank the devoted volunteers and staff of the TVCCA Meals on Wheels program for their services, time, and energy delivering every week. He thoroughly enjoyed the meals and his visits with all of the friendly drivers was a highlight of his day.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Lou's memory may be sent to the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society, 96 Main St., Stonington, CT 06378. Attn: Fred Souza (Building Fund).

Visiting hours will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 11, at St. Mary Church, 95 Main St., Stonington. Immediately following the Mass, friends are invited to go directly to the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society where the family will meet them after a brief private burial at Stonington Cemetery.

Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online message of condolence.
Louis J. Souza
PAWCATUCK, Conn.
— A gentle, caring, generous heart stopped beating on Saturday, Feb. 8, 2014. Louis J. Souza, 92, of Pawcatuck, passed away following a brief illness, surrounded by his family.

Born in Fall River, Mass., on Sept. 22, 1921, Lou was the second youngest of 10 children born to Manuel and Maria Souza, he was the last surviving sibling. Lou and his family relocated to Stonington Boro in 1929, the beginning of a love affair with the lovely village by the sea that lasted his whole life through. He became a local historian who loved to reminisce about the good old days in the Boro. His fond memory of his younger days was a God-given gift.

An avid golfer and former member of SEDESCA, he wants his friends and family to know he has gone onto the Big Golf Course in the Sky.

Lou is survived by his two children, Louis Souza (Sharon), of Clarksburg, Md.; Lillian Arbour (Raymond), of Pawcatuck, Conn.; four grandchildren and six great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

He graduated from Stonington High School in 1941. On April 27, 1942, he married his high school sweetheart, Evelyn (Nichols) Souza. Sadly, she predeceased him on Feb. 17, 1994. In the early 1950s, he built a honeymoon cottage for his beloved bride and children on the Pequot Trail, calling it home for over 50 years.

Lou's life was well-lived and filled with creativity. He was a talented songwriter and clarinet and accordion player. He also authored 14 books and numerous video documentaries, two of which earned him Comcast's Outstanding Producer awards. His documentaries are currently scheduled to be aired Sunday evenings on Comcast Channel 12 at 9:30 p.m.

His list of accomplishments include master craftsman and skilled shipwright. The family's proud slogan was, "If you can spell it, Lou can build it."

As a World War II veteran, and a greatest generation member, his philosophy of life is certain to be his legacy for years to come.

He proudly served in the U.S. Army as a medic in the South Pacific for 38 months. Upon his return from the war he enrolled at Chapman Tech under the GI Bill. Lou then joined the staff of Stonington Boat Works in the Boro. He was employed there for 17 years, building and repairing the wooden fishing fleet of our town has become ever so famous for.

He went on to Electric Boat to work as a loftsmen, and then as a shipbuilder at the Noank Shipyard in the 1960s. He also completed the restoration of the sand-bagger Annie for the Mystic Seaport and rebuilt a 19-foot Anderson Cat Boat that was renamed Pumpkin in the early 1970s.

At age 65, he began a second career at the Mystic Aquarium as a tour guide. He became a part of an elite senior group known as the Grey Seals, remaining there until age 80. He often said they were the best years of his life. There he developed numerous friendships that continued throughout the years.

He was a past commander of the VFW Post 1265 and past president of the Pawcatuck Little League. He was a driving force in the creation of the war monument located on the front lawn of Stonington Town Hall. He never wanted his fellow comrades who died in any war to be forgotten, a passion close to his heart.

During his golfing career he aced two holes-in-one. The first was hole #6 at Pequot Golf Course on July 14, 1987, and the second was hole #16 at Winnapaug Country Club on July 24, 1990. He was extremely proud of this, boasting about both every chance he could.

Lou belonged to St. Michael's Church, the Stonington Historical Society, the American Legion, and was a life member of the Portuguese Holy Ghost Club, the Mystic Aquarium, and VFW Post 1265. He was also a member of the Society of Inkwells Collectors.

He and his family would like to thank the devoted volunteers and staff of the TVCCA Meals on Wheels program for their services, time, and energy delivering every week. He thoroughly enjoyed the meals, and his visits with all of the friendly drivers were a highlight of his day.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Lou’s memory may be sent to the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society at 28 Main St. Stonington, CT 06378. Attn: Fred Souza (Building Fund).

Visiting hours will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 10 (TODAY), at the Mystic Funeral Home, Rte. 1 Mystic.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held at St. Mary Church, 95 Main St., Stonington at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 11. Immediately following the Mass, friends and family are invited to go directly to the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society, where the family will meet them after a brief private burial at Stonington Cemetery.

Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online message of condolence.
Manuel Q. Souza

Manuel Q. Souza, 84, of Pawcatuck, passed away Jan. 22, 2006, at Watch Hill Manor in Westerly.

Manuel was born July 6, 1921, in Stonington, the son of Antone Souza Quindinho and Francesca Furtado. He was raised and educated in Sao Miguel, Azores. He was stationed in Terceira, Azores, during World War II.

Manuel was self-employed as a barber in Sao Miguel. He married Maria do Ceu Garoupa on Oct. 4, 1948, and they settled in Stonington. He was employed by the American Velvet Company until his retirement.

He was a member of Saint Mary Church in Stonington and Saint Michael Church in Pawcatuck. Manuel was an avid gardener and loved his grape arbor and making wine. Most of all Manuel enjoyed spending time with his friends and family, especially his grandchildren.

Manuel is survived by his wife of 57 years, Maria, his daughters and their husbands, Coralia and Joseph Pacheco of Pawcatuck and Elizabeth and Mark Bessette; and his grandchildren, Rachel and Jeffrey Bessette also of Pawcatuck. He is also survived by his brother, Antone Quindinho of Ontario, Canada; and a sister, Maria dos Angos Travassos of Somerville.

Mass.

The funeral will be held from the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, on Monday, Jan. 30 at 9:15 a.m. with a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Mary Church Stonington at 10 a.m. Burial will follow in Saint Michael Cemetery in Pawcatuck. Relatives and friends are invited to call at the funeral home on Sunday, Jan. 29 from 4 to 7 p.m.

The Souza family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com for obituary information, directions and an online memorial register to leave a note of condolence.
Manuel M. Souza, 76
Worked 35 years at American Velvet

STONINGTON — Manuel M. Souza, 76, of Water Street died Feb. 9 at the Mary Elizabeth Nursing Center in Mystic where he was admitted Feb. 6.

Mr. Souza was born in Stonington on March 29, 1918, son of Mariano and Maria Jose Melo Souza. He was a lifelong resident of Stonington.

He was employed at the American Velvet Co. in Stonington in the Dye House for 35 years before retiring in 1976. He was a communicant of St. Mary Church in Stonington and a member of the Stonington Senior Citizens.

He is survived by one brother, Alfred Souza of Stonington, and two sisters, Angelina Previty of Stonington and Mrs. Victor Carreiro of Fall River, Mass.

Contributions may be made in Mr. Souza's memory to the Stonington Visiting Nurse Assoc., 20 South Anguilla Road, Pawcatuck 06379.

Burial was in St. Mary Cemetery. The Mystic Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.
Manuel Souza

Stonington — Manuel "Herby" R. Souza, 82, of Stonington, died unexpectedly on Friday, Nov. 2, 2012. He is survived by his loving wife of over 60 years, Grace V. (Soares) Souza.

A lifetime resident of Stonington, Manuel was born on June 1, 1930, to the late Maria Cecelia and Joseph Souza. Although his passing came so suddenly, family and friends may take comfort in the full life Herby lived.

Manuel’s roots and heart were in farming. He worked as a herdsman for Manatuck Farm from the age of 14 until he was 22 and throughout his life also maintained his own little farm. Over the years Manuel raised cows, a horse, sheep, dogs, cats, and most recently his chickens, which gave him such joy late in life. He also owned three prized tractors, a Ferguson, a John Deere A, and a Farmall H.

Manuel started working in the maintenance department of Plax/Monsanto in 1954, where he remained for nearly 50 years, eventually taking over as caretaker of the property until it was converted into condominium homes. Manuel additionally worked part-time as a night custodian at West Broad Street School for more than 30 years.

A lifetime communicant of St. Mary Church, Manuel was also a member of the Knights of Columbus. In much younger years, he was active in sports teams such as his Herby’s Hoopsters of the old Stonington Community Center. Manuel loved Boston Red Sox baseball, the New York Giants, and UConn basketball. He enjoyed camping at Cape Cod, agricultural fairs, and most of all, treasured his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In addition to his wife, Manuel is survived by his sister, Beatrice Paterno of Westerly; his three sons, Richard M. Souza Sr. and wife, Susan, of Stonington, Robert A. Souza and wife, Renee, of Raleigh, N.C., and Barry J. Souza and wife, Lorri, of Bethlehem, N.H.; and four grandchildren, Nicole L. Souza and her partner, Jeffrey M. Medeiros, Richard M. Souza Jr. and wife, Ali, Allen R. Souza and wife, Samantha, and Ashley R. Souza. Manuel also leaves behind two great-grandchildren and one on the way, Ava Rose Souza Medeiros and Zoe Lynn Souza Medeiros, along with a baby-to-be for Richard and Ali Souza due in March 2013.

Manuel was predeceased by his grandson, Bryan J. Souza of North Carolina; three brothers and a sister, Joseph, Antone, Norbert, and Lauren Souza of Stonington.

Calling hours will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8, at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic. An additional calling hour will be held Friday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home followed by a funeral Mass at 11 a.m. at St. Mary Church, 95 Main St., Stonington. Burial will follow at Stonington Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Mary Church or Miriam Hospital 164 Summit Ave., Providence, RI 02906.

Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online expression of sympathy.
Maria C. (Garoupa) Souza, 92, of Pawcatuck, beloved wife of the late Manuel Q. Souza, passed away with her family by her side on Friday, Nov. 25, 2011.

Born on Feb. 26, 1919 in Sao Miguel, Azores, she was the daughter of the late Manuel and Patrocina (Salema) Garoupa. She came to the United States in 1954, settling in the Stonington and Pawcatuck area where she worked for the American Velvet Company for 27 years, retiring in 1986.

She enjoyed gardening, crocheting, cooking for her family and baking Portuguese sweet bread. Maria will be deeply missed by her loving family.

She is survived by her two daughters, Coralia Pacheco and her husband, Joseph, and Elizabeth Bessette and her husband, Mark, all of Pawcatuck; two sisters, Istauna Parece of British Columbia, Canada, and Alda Vinhateiro of Pawcatuck; two grandchildren, Rachel Wilkes and her husband, Azron, of Cambridge, Mass., and Jeffrey Bessette of Virginia. She was predeceased by a brother, Urbano Garoupa.

Her family will receive friends and family on Monday, Nov. 28 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1 (51 Williams Ave.), Mystic.

Funeral services will begin Tuesday at 9:15 a.m. from the funeral home, followed by a Funeral Mass at 10 a.m. at St. Michael the Archangel Church, 60 Liberty St., Pawcatuck. Burial will follow at St. Michael Cemetery Pawcatuck.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital (www.stjude.org).

The family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneral-home.com to leave an online expression of sympathy.

Mystic Funeral Home
Norbento Souza

Stonington — Norbento (Norbert) J. Souza, 82, of Stonington, beloved husband of the late Agnes (Petroski) Souza, passed away Thursday, Sept. 15, 2011, at Mystic Healthcare and Rehab Center.

A lifelong resident of Stonington, Norbert was the son of the late Joseph (Guegue) and Mary Cecelia (Pimental) Souza.

Norbert started working at Atwood Machine at the age of 15, until he was drafted into the Army where he served in Germany, honorably discharged in 1952. He later worked in Manchester, N.H., before returning to work at the Plax Co., Monsanto, and later retiring from Davis Standard.

Norbert joined the Neptune Engine Company in 1958, serving as captain from 1972-1975. He was elected assistant chief and eventually chief of the Stonington Borough Fire Department in 1979, serving up until 1981. He also had a lifelong commitment to the Stonington Ambulance Corps. Many of his family and friends will remember Norbert being down at the point, sharing the history of Stonington with the many tourists that visited there.

He is survived by his daughter, Noeena Higgins; his brother, Manuel Souza and his wife, Grace, all of Stonington; sister, Beatrice Paterno of Westerly; two grandchildren, Brittany and Maxx Higgins, both of Stonington; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his brothers, Anthony and Joseph Souza; and his sister, Laurenina Souza.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 19, at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic (51 Williams Ave). An additional calling hour will be held from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the funeral home, followed by a fireman’s funeral cortege to a funeral Mass at St. Mary Church, 95 Main St., Stonington, at 11 a.m. Burial will follow with military honors at Stonington Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the SBFD P.O. Box 384, Stonington, CT 06378.

Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com for directions to the funeral home and to share an online expression of sympathy.
Michael F. Spaziante, Jr.

Michael F. Spaziante, Jr., 53, of Pawcatuck, beloved husband of Deborah (Quinian) Spaziante, died Friday, March 25, 2005, at Youville...Hospital...and Rehabilitation Center, Cambridge Mass., after a long, inspiring battle with cancer.

Born in Mt. Vernon, N.Y., and raised in the Bronx, he was the son of Michael F. Spaziante, Sr. and Gina (D'Addario) Spaziante of Valhalla, N.Y.

Michael had worked for the government for 31 years, and was employed as an Electronics Engineer for the Naval Undersea Warfare Center in Newport. A perpetual student, Michael earned masters degrees at SUNY Buffalo, Univ. of Southern California, and Univ. of New Haven.

He was a communicant of St. Michael Church in Pawcatuck and a member of several local organizations, including the Westerly Lodge of Elks, the Calabrese Society, the Toastmasters Club, and the Westerly Yacht Club, where he was also a part-time employee for 8 years. He also enjoyed sailing, photography, and baseball.

In addition to his wife and parents, Michael also leaves his two sons and daughter-in-law: James D. and Andrea (Gulla) Spaziante of Charlestown, Mass., and Jason M. Spaziante of London, England; his two brothers: Robert Spaziante of Valhalla, NY and Gerard Spaziante of Hawthorne, N.Y.; and his sister: Angela Tydla of Croton Falls, N.Y.

Calling hours will be held on Tuesday; from 4 to 7 p.m., in the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Mass of Christian Burial which will be celebrated Wednesday at 10 a.m., in St. Michael Church, 60 Liberty St., Pawcatuck.

There will be no cortege from the funeral home to the Church.

Interment will be in St. Michael Cemetery, Pawcatuck.

In lieu of flowers, Michael's family requests that memorial donations be made to the American Cancer Society.

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Vincent Spear

Mystic — Vincent C. Spear, 44, of Mystic, passed away on Thursday, May 10, 2007, at Hartford Hospital.

Vincent was born on July 23, 1962, in Gardiner, Maine. He grew up locally graduating from Stonington High School, a member of the Class of 1979.

Vincent had worked at Mohegan Sun in the Security department. He was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying fishing and riding his motorcycle. He was a member of the Groton Sportsman’s Club.

Vincent loved baseball, especially the Boston Red Sox. Most of all, he enjoyed his time spent with his family.

Vincent is survived by his mother and stepfather, Bernadette and Joe Cabral of Old Mystic; his brother, Mark Spear and his wife, Sandy, of Westerly; and his three nieces, Amanda, Jessica, and Theresa, whom he cherished the most.

The funeral will assemble at 9:15 am Wednesday, May 16, at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, proceeding to a Funeral Mass at Saint Patrick Church in Mystic at 10 a.m. Burial will take place in Maine at the convenience of his family. Relatives and friends are invited to call at the funeral home from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday.

The Spear family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com for obituary information, directions, and an online memorial register to leave a note of conciencence.
Rosina Spellane

Mystic — Rosina T. Spellane, 88, of Masons Island, passed away peacefully on Saturday, Aug. 29, 2009, at her home. Rosina’s husband of 58 years, James C. Spellane, died on May 25, 2008.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., on Nov. 16, 1920, Rosina was the daughter of the late Philip J. and Elizabeth (McShane) Termine and had lived on Masons Island since 1963. She was previously a longtime resident of Douglaston, N.Y.

After graduating from St. Lawrence Academy in Manhattan and her mother’s alma mater, the College of Mount St. Vincent in Riverdale, N.Y., Rosina worked for Benton & Bowles advertising agency prior to marrying and raising her family, which she did successfully despite her lifelong reluctance to advance her culinary arts, particularly when they interfered with her tennis.

She leaves five loving children, Thomas and his wife, Pamela, of Darien, Peter and his wife, Johanna, of Ardsley-on-Hudson, N.Y., Mary Jane Marchisotto and her husband, Alan, of New York City, Philip and his wife, Kathleen, of Rochester, N.Y., and Nancy Ellis and her husband, Steve, of Sussex, N.J., and her sister, Elizabeth T. Mulhigan, of Pompton Plains, N.J. She is also survived by her nine grandchildren, Patrick, Megan, Catherine, Mallory, Matthew, Kate, Ian, Will, and Sarah.

Rosina was predeceased by her sister, Mary Jane Termine of New York City, and her brother, Phil of Charlotte, N.C.

The family will receive friends from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic. A funeral Mass will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2009, at St. Patrick’s Church, 32 E. Main St., Mystic. Burial will follow at Elm Grove Cemetery, Mystic.

The family suggests that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to St. Edmond’s Retreat, Enders Island, PO Box 399, Mystic CT 06355.
Claire (Keane) Spellman, 89, of Pawcatuck, passed away on Sunday, Jan. 17, 2016.

She was the daughter of James Keane and Isabella Davidson Kemp Keane.

She was married for 67 years to longtime Stonington First Selectman James M. Spellman, who survives her.

Claire is also survived by her sons, Westerly High School Assistant Principal James Spellman Jr. and his wife Judith of Noank, Atty. Steven Spellman and his wife Pamela of Stonington and Connecticut State Police Lieutenant Michael Spellman and his wife Heather of Pawcatuck.

She was predeceased by two daughters, Patricia Spellman in infancy and Sheila Spellman Svanesson, of Sherman, Maine, in 2008.

She is also survived by a sister, Priscilla Campbell and her husband Donald.

She was predeceased by her sister, Margaret Keane and her brother James Keane.

She leaves behind ten grandchildren, Lisa Moran, Lara Cole, David Cummings, Tonya Morgan, Brian Cummings, Dana Fusaro, Katty Ray Spellman, Robert Keane Spellman, Michael Keane Spellman and Hannah Claire Spellman, as well as 16 great-grandchildren.

Claire was a 1937 graduate of Westerly High School, the last class to graduate from the old Westerly High School. She attended nursing school at St. Joseph’s School of Nursing in Providence and maintained a lifelong interest in medical science.

She served as Democratic State Central Committee woman for the 16th Senatorial District and took great pride that, for her first act, she seconded the nomination of Dr. C. John Satti to encourage Sen. John F. Kennedy to seek the presidency.

She was an avid reader with a keen intellect.

Claire had a unique ability to find the good in every person and situation she encountered. She loved her family, her faith and her country.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11:30 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 23, at St. Michael the Archangel Church, 60 Liberty St., Pawcatuck, followed by interment in St. Michael Cemetery. Calling hours are omitted. Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 50 Spruce St., Westerly, is in charge of the arrangements. For online condolences go to www.gaffneydolanfuneralhome.com.

Family requests in lieu of flowers that donations in her memory be made to the Stonington Visiting Nurses Association or to a charity of the donor’s choice.
James Spellman

Storington — James M. Spellman, 91, of Pawcatuck, died Friday, Sept. 28, 2012, at The Wisterly Hospital.

He was born at home in the Downerville section of Pawcatuck, the son of John F. and Margaret Spellman, and grandson of John Spellman, who came to Pawcatuck from the island of Valentia, County Kerry, Ireland, in 1888. He was a graduate of St. Michael’s School and Stonington High School.

He was a highly decorated veteran of World War II, serving as both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters. He was a lifetime member of the Pawcatuck Fire Department.

In a long and varied career, he was a master machinist and a master carpenter. He was among the first to be licensed by the State of Connecticut as a real estate broker in 1935 and held his license for 57 years. He was also certified as a Connecticut Building Official from 1970 through 1989. His services as a consultant were valued.

He served as Judge of the Stonington Town Court, an appointee of Gov. Abraham Ribicoff, from 1956 through 1961.

He served as Connecticut’s representative on the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, appointed first by Gov. Ella Grasso and subsequently by Gov. William O’Neill. He also served on Connecticut’s Judicial Selections Committee, an appointee of then-President Pro Temp of the Senate John Larson.

Jim Spellman was elected 12 times and served as first selectman of the Town of Stonington from 1961 through 1985. During that time he served concurrently as chairman of the Water Pollution Control Authority and was responsible for the construction of three complete sewer systems in Pawcatuck, Stonington and Mystic. During his tenure, four new schools were constructed, numerous athletic and recreational fields were made available to the public, and the picnic area, which was constructed during Franklin D. Roosevelt’s New Deal, was reclaimed and vastly improved. Interstate Route 95 was constructed through the town during the years of his service, and he saw clearly the growth and jobs potential of tourism. A Mystic that achieved potential for growth without harmful environmental impact through the installation of the sewer system was able to welcome the Mystic Aquarium and Mystic Village.

His leadership was based on a reverence for the past accompanied by a vision for the future. Among his accomplishments as first selectman, he was most proud of the acquisition of the Stonington Town Dock, preserving forever a home for the Stonington fishing fleet, which is now the State of Connecticut’s last remaining commercial fleet. At the time he retired from office, he was the State of Connecticut’s longest serving municipal chief executive.

He was an excellent athlete, at one time having a three handicap in golf.

He married Claire Keane on April 6, 1942, and enjoyed 67 years of marriage until her death on Jan. 17, 2010. He is survived by his sons, former Wisterly Public Schools Administrator/ Director of Emergency Preparedness James Spellman Jr. and his wife Barbara, of Norwalk, attorney Steven Spellman and his wife, Pamela of Norwalk, and retired Connecticut State Police Lt. Michael Spellman and his wife, Heather, of Pawcatuck. He is also survived by his sisters, Kathleen MacFadden, Mary Stanton, Margarette Sieczkowski and Nancy Bolduc.

He was predeceased by two daughters, Patricia Spellman in infancy and Sheila Spellman Swantesson of Sherman Mills, Maine, in 2008; by his sister, Dorothy, in childhood; and his brother, John “Bub” Spellman, in 2010.

He leaves behind 10 grandchildren, Lisa Moran, Lara Cole, David Cummings, Tonya Morgan, Brian Cunningham, Dana Fusaro, Kelly Rae Spellman, Robert Keane Spellman, Michael Keane Spellman and Hannah Claire Spellman; as well as 17 great-grandchildren.

A Funeral Liturgy will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, at St. Mary’s Church, 95 Main St., Stonington, followed by interment in St. Michael’s Cemetery in Pawcatuck. Visiting hours are omitted.

Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly, is in charge of the arrangements.

For online condolences, please go to www.gaffney-dolanafuneralhome.com.
James R. Spellman

James F. Spellman, 88, of Eastchester, N.Y., formerly of Pawcatuck, died on Oct. 10, 2003. He was president of the class of '31, Stonington, H.S. Survivors include his wife Eva, sons Rev. Robert and James Jr.; daughters Mary and Ann.

He was predeceased by his parents, James and Margaret Spellman; his first wife, Eileen Dolan Spellman; his brother, Robert; and sister, Mary.

Burial took place on Oct. 16 at St Michael Cemetery.
John F. "Bub" Spellman, 93, of Wicklow Road, Westerly, died in the Westerly Nursing Home, July 7, 2010. He was the widower of the late Waneta (Wilkinson) Spellman.

Born in Pawcatuck, he was a son of the late John F. Spellman Sr. and the late Margaret (Burdick) Spellman.

John was a U.S. Army veteran having served four years during World War II, and he retired from the U.S. Postal Service as supervisor following 35 years of service. He was a communicant of St. Michael the Archangel Church, a longtime member of the Knights of Columbus Narragansett Council #21, and captain of the golf team that played in the Industrial League at Winnapaug Country Club.

Surviving, he leaves a daughter and son-in-law, Bonnie Buck and her husband, George, of Westerly; a brother, James Spellman of Pawcatuck; four sisters, Kathleen Manfredi and Nancy Bolduc, both of Pawcatuck, Marguerite Szczezniak of Westerly, and Mary Stanton of Massachusetts; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Calling hours will be held Friday from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Funeral Liturgy to be celebrated 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 be in St. Michael Cemetery.

For online condolences, go to www.gaffneydolanfuneralhome.com.
Mary Spellman

Pawcatuck — Mary K. Spellman, 96, formerly of Stanton Street, died Friday morning at the Westerly Health Center.

She was born Dec. 26, 1909, in Pawcatuck, the daughter of the late James F. and Margaret McNulty Spellman. She was a 1927 graduate of Stonington High School and a 1931 graduate of Simmons College.

Miss Spellman was an executive secretary for many years with Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. She also had worked briefly for Ed Leary at Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. office when it was in downtown Westerly.

She was a communicant of St. Michael’s Church. Miss Spellman spent most of her adult life in the Boston area.

She is survived by a brother, James F. Spellman of East Chester, N.Y. She was predeceased by a brother, Robert J. Spellman.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 this morning at St. Michael’s Church, 62 Liberty St. There will be no procession from the funeral home.

Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., is in charge of arrangements.
Edith Spencer

Mystic — Edith Louise Spencer, 367 of Church Street, formerly of The Smith-Memorial Home, 7 Vauxhall St., died Friday at Beechwood Manor.

Miss Spencer was born on Jan. 4, 1893, in Pawcatuck, the daughter of Henry J. and Christine Babcock Spencer.

She was employed as a switchboard operator at Southern New England Telephone Co. for 45 years, retiring in 1969, and later at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital for three years.

She was a member of the Old Timers Club, Order of the Eastern Star, Charity Lodge No. 61, Mystic, and the Telephone Pioneers of America.

Miss Spencer is survived by a nephew, Wilbur Clarke Spencer of Old Lyme.

The funeral service and burial will be private. There are no calling hours. Byles-Groton Memorial Home, 310 Thames St., is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of the donor’s choice.
Jean Spencer

Stonington — Jean M. (Carter) Spencer, 93, of Stonington, departed this world for her heavenly home on Friday, July 13, 2018. She passed away peacefully, at Yale New Haven Hospital, with her sons by her side.

Born in Melrose, Mass., on October 29, 1925, she was the daughter to the late John and Irene (Capers) Carter and lived in Stonington, since 1963. Her husband, Robert L. Spencer, predeceased her in 2014, and her only sibling, Eleanor Laycock, predeceased her in 2017.

She enjoyed 68 years of marriage with her beloved husband Bob. To see Jean and Bob together was to see a couple whose love for one another grew more and more with each passing year.

She was a fashionable and compassionate person who touched all those she met with kindness and understanding. She enjoyed oil painting, playing cards and boating with her family, and traveling and cruising with her dear husband.

She is survived by her two sons, Dr. Brian Spencer of Stonington, and Barry Spencer and his wife Lindy of Wauwatosa, Wis.; and two grandchildren, Nicole of Wauwatosa, Wis., and Shawn of Jackson, Wis.

The family would like to thank the staff of Stonington Volunteer Ambulance Corps and the wonderful paramedics, doctors and nurses at Lawrence + Memorial Hospital and Yale New Haven Hospital, for the timely and compassionate care Mrs. Spencer received during her time of need.

Her family will receive friends from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 18, followed by a service at 1 p.m., at the Mystic Funeral Home located on Route 1 in Mystic. Her burial will follow at the Elm Grove Cemetery, Route 27, in Mystic.

Memorial donations may be made to Stonington Volunteer Ambulance Corps (www.stoningtonambulance.org).

The family invites you to sign their guestbook at www.mysticfuneralhome.com.
He enjoyed boating with his family and traveling and cruising with his dear wife. As a consummate salesman, he took great joy in buying and selling anything from used telephone poles to used cars.

He is survived by his wife, Jean (Carter) Spencer of Stonington; his two sons, Dr. Brian Spencer of Stonington and Barry Spencer and his wife, Lindy; and two grandchildren, Shawn and Nicole, of Wauwatosa, Wis.

The family would like to thank the wonderful staff of Home and Hospice Care of Rhode Island and Westerly Hospital for the compassionate care Mr. Spencer received during his final days. The family would also like to express their gratitude to the staff of Avalon Health Center at StoneRidge, where he was a resident for nearly six years.

Calling hours will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday, July 7, at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, 51 Williams Ave., Mystic. A service will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 8, at the Mystic Funeral Home. Burial and military honors will follow at Elm Grove Cemetery, Route 27, Mystic.

Memorial donations may be made to Home and Hospice Care of Rhode Island (www.hhcri.org).

The family invites you to visit the online registry at www.mysticfuneralhome.com.
Nora Spens, M.D.


Born in Brentford, England, on March 2, 1922, she was the daughter of the late Gerald J. and Kathleen A. (Richard) Sutton. Dr. Spens served as a "Wren" in the Women's Royal Naval Service during World War II. She went on to have a long and distinguished career as a medical doctor in England and in the United States, working at St. Luke’s Hospital in New York and retiring from the Westerly Hospital in the mid-1980s.

Dr. Spens was an avid lifelong sailor who enjoyed cruising local waters and made two trips across the Atlantic.

Nora after her retirement, dedicated herself to decades of volunteer work with the Chorus of Westerly, Christ Church Choir and to Camp Onondaga in New Hampshire. Sheserved on numerous committees for the Chorus and sang with her choral family from 1972 to 2006.

The Chorus of Westerly will offer and dedicate its entire 60th season in Nora's loving memory with heartfelt thanks and sincere appreciation for her generosity and volunteerism.

Dr. Spens is survived by several cousins in England; and her beloved choral family.

She was predeceased by her brother, John Sutton.

A celebration of Nora’s life will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday Nov. 3, 2018, at Christ Episcopal Church, corner of Elm and Broad streets, Westerly.

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

For online condolences, please visit www.buckler-johnston.com.
OBITUARY

Victor Speziali Jr.

Stonington — Victor Anthony Speziali Jr., 72, of Stonington, beloved husband of Sandra Theresa (Longo) Speziali, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2007, at the McLeod Regional Medical Center in Florence, S.C.

Victor was born in New London on Feb. 11, 1935, youngest of three sons to Victor A. Speziali Sr. and Margaret (Meloni) Speziali. He attended the Bulkeley School, was the valedictorian of his New London High School class, earned a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering at the University of Connecticut and was a member of Pi Tau Sigma esteemed national honorary mechanical engineering fraternity. The majority of his successful and passionate engineering career was with General Dynamics in Groton until his death.

Victor and Sandra married on Sept. 5, 1964. They have two daughters, Stephanie M. Speziali and Christine A. (Speziali) Elci, both of Connecticut.

He was predeceased by his eldest brother, Andrew.

His remaining brother, with whom he was very close, Albert Speziali, resides in Salem, N.H. Victor is also survived by nieces, nephews, and many loved family members.

Viewings for friends, family and colleagues will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at Fulton Theroux Funeral Home, 181 Ocean Ave., New London. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday Nov. 7, at St. Joseph's Church, Montauk Ave., New London. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, the family would greatly appreciate donations be made directly to the McLeod Health Foundation, PO Box 100551, Florence SC 29502-0551. For more information and various methods of donation, please visit www.mcleodfoundation.org.
Dr. Spicer was master of Franklin Lodge No. 20, F&AM in 1949 and a member of that Lodge for more than 65 years.

He served on the Rhode Island Board of Dental Examiners from 1953 to 1959 and received the honorary degree of Fellow of the American College of Dentists in 1961. In addition to many medical and dental professional organizations, Dr. Spicer was a member of the Horace Wells Club for more than 50 years and served for 25 of those years as trustee of the Horace Wells Trust Fund, providing scholarships for worthy dental students.

Dr. Spicer was a world traveler who visited all seven continents and 58 different countries. He was an enthusiastic amateur moviemaker and took one of the few existing movies of the 1938 hurricane on the Rhode Island shore. Other activities included sailing, skiing, tennis, hiking and, in his later years, six-wicket croquet. Dr. Spicer wrote his diary continuously for over 60 years. Drawing extensively from these diaries, he and his daughter published a local history book in 2002 called Momentous Events in Westerly, R.I., as recalled by Dr. Spicer.

Dr. Albert D. Spicer is survived by Marion, his wife of 32 years; daughter and son-in-law, Judith and John Knutson, of Boston, Mass; daughter-in-law, Susan O. Spicer, of Dover, N.H.; three grandchildren, and four great-granddaughters.

A memorial service will be held at the Weekapaug Chapel in Westerly at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24, 2005. Memorial gifts may be made to the Westerly Hospital, the Westerly Public Library, or the Weekapaug Foundation for Conservation.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly, RI.
Stonington — Mona Allen Spilo, 78, passed away on Aug. 28, 2017, after a 20-year battle with ovarian cancer. Born in Harriman, Tenn., in 1938, she graduated from Mary Washington University in 1960 and moved to New York City where she met and, in 1964, married Samuel D. Spilo who survives, as do her two children, William A. Spilo of Vail, Colo., and Nicole S. Albee of Columbia Falls, Mont.

Mona was an avid “foodie” who founded and operated, for 31 years, Bedford Gourmet in Bedford, N.Y., a gourmet food and catering establishment. The Spilos moved to Bishops Cove in Stonington in 2011, where Mona was a member of the board and co-chairman of the landscape committee. She was also a member of the Stonington Harbor Yacht Club where she was an avid small boat sailor.

In her memory, donations may be made to Memorial Sloan Kettering hospital in New York City.
Florence Spinner

Old Mystic — Florence Morin Spinner, 83, of 35 Marjorie St., died Tuesday at the Lawrence & Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Spinner was born on Oct. 26, 1914, in New London, the daughter of Alfred and Jennifer Watrous Morin. She was the wife of Arthur Spinner, who died in 1983.

Mrs. Spinner was a graduate of the former Williams Memorial Institute and St. Joseph's School of Nursing.

She was a nurse at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital and later worked at the Mystic Motor Inn.

She was an avid gardener.

Mrs. Spinner is survived by two sons, Paul E. Spinner of Norwich and Arthur Spinner of Old Mystic; a daughter, Norma Constant of Groton; 13 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by a daughter, Bertha Dien of Mystic.

The funeral service will be private. Burial will be in Elm Grove Cemetery. Calling hours are 5-7 p.m. Friday at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Stonington Visiting Nurse Association, 20 S. Anguilla Road, Pawcatuck, CT 06379.

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Henrietta Sposato

Stonington — Henrietta Alvida “Hattie” Sposato, 103, wife of the late Samuel J. Sposato, passed away Monday, Feb. 2, 2015, at the Westerly Nursing Home where she had been a resident for the past six years.

Hattie was born in Stonington on May 1, 1911, as the first daughter to the late Alban and Gesina (Schmidt) Pampel. She was raised in a vibrant German community and remained a lifelong resident of Stonington.

Hattie was a devoted and loving daughter, sister, wife, mother, sister-in-law, aunt, neighbor and a lifelong friend.

Hattie was predeceased by her son, Samuel J. “Sonny” Sposato Jr.; her sisters, Clara Moeckel of Fitchburg, Mass., Charlotte “Lottie” Victoria and Helen Peduzzi French; and her brothers, August Paul and Alban Pampel. She was also predeceased by her devoted niece, Claire Grills, who was treasured like a daughter.

A communicant of St. Mary Church in Stonington, Hattie was a member of the Golden Agers and active in many other organizations.

Hattie is survived by her sister-in-law, Rose Sposato of Westerly; and by many of her nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews. She will be deeply missed by her family and friends.

A celebration of Hattie’s life will be held on Thursday, Feb. 12, when her family will receive friends from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., followed by a service at 11:30 a.m., at Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic. Burial will follow at the Stonington Cemetery, North Main Street, Stonington.

The Pampel and Sposato families would like to thank Mr. Paul Martin, administrator of Westerly Nursing Home, and his organization, especially all the staff in the Westerly Wing, for the care that was given to Hattie during her stay. They were an extended family in her later years. We would also like to thank Mr. Stephen M. King, director of Mystic Funeral Home, and his wife for all their assistance at this time.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Mary Church, 95 Main St., Stonington, or to the Stonington Community Center, 28 Cutler St., Stonington, CT 06378.

To leave online condolences, please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com.
Rev. Merle E. Spring
Mystic — The Rev. Merle E. Spring, 74, died Sunday surrounded by his family.
He was the husband of the former Jeanette (Quigg) for 52 years. They were married June 22, 1951 in Sanford, Maine.
Rev Spring graduated from Sanford High School in 1947. He attended Bowdoin College and Gorham State Teachers College. He was also a graduate of Colgate Rochester Seminary.
He was pastor of the Old Mystic Baptist Church for over 30 years and most recently a pastor of Winthrop Baptist Church in Deep River for approximately three years. He started his career as jet fighter pilot and later flew jet bombers for SAC for 12 years.
He was a member of the Kiwanis, SUNL, American Legion, Family Services, SCADD and many other service organizations. He enjoyed his family and friends, hunting, fishing, camping and golf.
Besides his wife, he is survived by a son, Gary Spring and his wife Sarah of Durham, Maine; a daughter, Debby Dutton of Mystic and a daughter Kathy Adkins and her husband Tim of Waterford; five grandchildren, Jessie and Matthew Bastide of Maine, Sean Adkins of Waterford, and Melissa and Andrew Dutton of Stonington.
He was predeceased by a granddaughter, Rachael K. Adkins.
A memorial service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Old Mystic Baptist Church, Shevville Road, Old Mystic.
Donations may be made to the OMBC Memorial Garden (Perpetual Care Fund), c/o Kathy Adkins, 12 Mullen Hill Rd, Waterford, CT 06385.
The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl Street, Historic downtown Mystic is assisting the family. For complete obituary information, or to send an online condolence to the family please visit www.dinotofuneral.com.
Dr. Edwin Sproul Jr.

Mystic — Dr. L. Edwin Sproul Jr., internist in Mystic and New London, died on April 15, 2018.

He was born in Saugus, Mass., on April 16, 1932. He was Class of 1954 at Harvard College, graduating Phi Beta Kappa and high Magna Cum Laude. While attending Harvard Medical School he met his wife Martha Childs, a Wellesley College student, and they married in 1957. After graduating in 1958, he did an internship and residency on the Harvard Service at Boston City Hospital and continued with a fellowship at New England Center Hospital.

In 1963, the family moved to Mystic, where he joined Drs. Edmonstone and Barry at the Mystic Medical Group, as well as the staff at Lawrence + Memorial Hospital. In 1992, Dr. Sproul became president of the medical staff at L+M. He retired from practice in 1995, when he became the first vice president of medical affairs.

A man of many interests, Ed was a passionate gardener, enjoyed history and travel with family and friends, and embraced new technology. After retirement, he and his wife enlarged a family house on the shore in Pemaquid, Maine, where they spent six months each year.

He was a member of Mystic Congregational Church and former member of Ariston, The Thames Club, Shenecosset Beach Club and ROMEO. He served on the board of the Pemaquid Trail Association and Bishops Cove Association.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Martha; three children, Elisabeth Sweet (Jeffrey) of Sharon, Mass., L. Edwin III (Francine) of East Lyme, and Jonathan (Jane) of Boston, Mass. and Mystic; and grandchildren, Nathaniel, Anna and William Sweet, and Samantha and Morgan Sproul, of whom he was immensely proud.

His family would like to thank the staff at Apple Rehab Mystic for their compassionate care.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 5, at Mystic Congregational Church in Mystic.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The LAMBS at Lawrence + Memorial Hospital in memory of Dr. L. Edwin Sproul Jr. (The LAMBS, Office of Development, 365 Montauk Ave., New London, CT 06320 or www.lmhospital.org)
O B I T U A R Y

Charles Squadrito

Charles Squadrito died Saturday night at his home in New London, where he had been a patient for several years.

Mr. Squadrito was born in Messina, Italy, February 19, 1894, a son of the late Thomas and Catherine (Puleo) Squadrito. He had been a resident of this section for many years, coming to Stonington from his hometown to join his brother, Anthony, and to continue his occupation as a toil,-ser in company with the latter. At two other periods he was located in New York and Mystic. For a number of years past he had had a home at Water Street in the borough, which he was conducting up to the time of his last illness.

He was a man who was popular with his companions, his unconquering and cordial manner making him friends everywhere. He was skilled in playing the guitar, and his fingers provided music on innumerable occasions at gatherings in this vicinity. His home was a source of gatherings of those who were his intimates. Surviving are his wife, Annette Mesketa; male and daughter, in Italy, also one son, Nicholas, living in New York; and his sister, Josephine Squadrito of the borough, Vincent and Thomas of Mystic, and Antonio of Messina, and two sisters, Mrs. Josephine Yale and Mrs. Sarah Squadrito, also of Messina.

Funeral services were held at the First Presbyterian Church in Mystic Monday morning, followed by a brief service at the Green Street in St. Patrick's Church, Mystic, the celebrant being the Rev. Michael B. Kiernan. During the service, the sophomore hymn Miss, Millie, fathered at the St. Patrick's Church, and the Rev. Father Kiernan sang "The Beautiful Land." The funeral was at the church and service were very beautiful.

Interment was in St. Patrick's cemetery and the service was conducted by Rev. John J. McVeigh, Rev. Frank Varone, and the Rev. Father Kiernan.

Mrs. Robert J. Vennard

Mrs. Sarah McCabe Vennard, widow of Robert J. Vennard, resident of Pawcatuck, died Wednesday morning at the home of Mrs. Freeman Burch, in the Groton District, where she had made her home for the past two years.

Mr. Vennard was a native of England and had lived in this country for the past 11 years. Surviving are two daughters and one son.

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Nancy Chewinbough and Maryann Stewart are very happy with Camp Pattaganset and other Girl Scouts, and Shirley Brinkman is also there with the Brownie unit. Valerie Brown is another Scout at Pattaganset.

Captain Florence Buck will take the members of the troop on an overnight hike to Wamphaam on Friday, next week, leaving Tuesday noon and returning before dinner the next day. They will have their supper on the Point Tuesday evening and their breakfast there the next morning.

Lord's Point

By Tenea Ederberry

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Garrett of Utica, N. Y., spent the week end at Casarados.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Power and family are again here and are spending a month in the Mitchell cottage. Charles Pater of Trenton visited his family over the week end, Miss Jacqueline Clarke and Miss Rosamond Shy of Pawcatuck are visiting Miss Anna May Billson of Westerly.

The boys' choir of Christ Church, Westerly, is spending a week here. A minstrel show was given Thursday night at the Community Church, and the girls were quickly entertained.

Mrs. Helen Meredith of Philadelphia is visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Eckerberry at West Wind Lodge.

Robert Martin, of Haddam, was visiting his uncle, Mrs. Clancy Day, of Springfield, for the summer.

W. J. Hart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hart, of Springfield, is now staying in the Berkshires.

Edward Lathrop, supervisor of the Saturday night dances at the Community House, was preparing for records to be used at the dances.

Ruth Lord of Cranston, R. I., is now visiting her family at the Point.

There was considerable excitement on the Point Wednesday when the second floor of the Point was burned.

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Esther Squadrito, 86
1928 graduate of Stonington High School

MYSTIC — Esther Ruth Grimes Squadrito, 86, of Hatch Street, died Friday afternoon, May 16, at Fairview of Groton after an extended illness.

She was born in Charlestown, R.I., on July 5, 1910, the daughter of Samuel and Hedwig "Hattie" Hoen Grimes. Raised in Mystic, she attended local schools. She was a 1928 graduate of Stonington High School, where she served as class treasurer and class artist.

She married William Nicholas Squadrito in Franklin, N.H., in 1928. Mr. Squadrito died on June 8, 1989.

A devoted homemaker, Mrs. Squadrito took great pride in her family and will be remembered for her was a member of the former Broadway School Parent-Teacher Association.

Mrs. Squadrito is survived by a daughter, Maryann Read of Groton; nine grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandson.

She was predeceased by two sons, Robert V. Squadrito and William S. Squadrito.

The funeral was private. Burial is in Elm Grove Cemetery. The DiNoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial gifts in Mrs. Squadrito's name may be made to Alzheimer's Support Group, P.O. Box 1794, Groton 06340, or the Patient Recreation Fund, c/o Fairview, P.O. Box 7218.
June Squadrito


Born in Stafford Springs in 1926, the daughter of Ivano and Mary Cini, June grew up in Mystic with her brothers, Hector, Elio, and Attilio, who predeceased her. After attending New London School of Hairdressing and working at Bostich, June spent many happy years in the Groton public school system, working at both Carl C. Cutler Middle School and Robert E. Fitch Senior High. She then went on to work at the Town of Groton town clerk's office from 1963 until her retirement in 1983.

She was married to Robert V. Squadrito for 36 years; he predeceased her.

June leaves her adoring daughters and their spouses, missing her are Debra and Dale Pfeiffer of Newington, Lauren and Wesley Davis of Palm Coast, Fla., Robert and Walter Newton of Ledyard, Jana and Herb Wagner of Canterbury, and Tina McLaughlin of Mystic. Also missing her are grandchildren Noelle and Holly Maynard, Rebecca and Rachel Rippey, Lazzaryn and Maxx McLaughlin, Katie and Christa Allen, and great-grandchildren Gregory and Shayla.

She was also predeceased by her son-in-law, Kenneth McLaughlin.

June loved music and was a talented pianist. While she loved animals of all kinds, she was particularly devoted to her beloved kitty and was forever finding homes for those in need. She was an avid fan of the New York Times crossword puzzle and the most challenging of jigsaw puzzles. She felt most at home surrounded by the beauty of the woods and pond in her own back yard.

Her family wishes to express their sincere gratitude to the entire staff of Kindred Crossing where June received incredibly loving and compassionate care during her many years as a resident of the Alzheimer's unit. Their extraordinary efforts not only gave comfort to June but peace of mind to her family. Both the staff and residents of the unit will be fondly remembered.

Arrangements are private, and the family requests that, in lieu of flowers, a donation be made to the All Friends Animal Hospital Angel Fund, 420 New London Turnpike, Norwich CT 06350, or an animal welfare charity of the donor's choice.

To share a note of remembrance or condolence with June's family, please visit www.dinotofuneral.com.
Patronella Squadrito

Patronella "Pat" (Swizdun) Squadrito, 96, of 48 Old North Road, Mystic, formerly of 134 Water St., Stonington, died Friday morning, Nov. 30, 2001, at the Mary Elizabeth Nursing Center where she had been admitted on Wednesday.

She was born in Lithuania Aug. 25, 1905, daughter of the late Frank S. and Anna Poci Swizdun.

She came to the United States in September of 1913. She attended local schools and was a graduate of Stonington High School when it was in Stonington Village. She graduated from St. Francis Hospital School of Nursing in March of 1928. She worked as a registered nurse at St. Francis Hospital in Hartford.

She married Cornelius Squadrito on Oct. 10, 1932, at St. Patrick Church in Mystic. He died in 1976.

Mrs. Squadrito had worked in Stonington with Miss Sliney who had established a one woman nursing service. This combination eventually evolved into the Stonington Visiting Nurse Association. She had also been an active member of the Borough School P.T.A.

She was a communicant of St. Mary Church in Stonington.

She is survived by one son, Neal Squadrito of Mystic; one daughter, Barbara Squadrito of Mystic; one brother, Frank J. Swizdun of Mystic; and one sister, Ann S. McKinney of St. Clare Shores, Mich.

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 St. Mary Cemetery. Relatives and friends may call at the funeral home on Sunday from 2-4 p.m.
STONINGTON — Anne P. O’Donnell, 83, formerly of Stonington, died April 7 in Harrisburg, Pa.

A native of Harrisburg, she lived in Stonington for 17 years before moving back to Harrisburg in 1997.

She married Stanley P. Stachowicz, who predeceased her.

Mrs. Stachowicz is survived by three sons, Thomas W. Baker of New Cumberland, Pa., William J. Baker of Stonington and John T. Baker of Griswold; a daughter, Anne Hollifield of Las Vegas; a sister, Elsie Fritz of South Hadley, Mass.; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by two brothers, John O’Donnell and Francis O’Donnell, both of Westfield, Mass.

The funeral and burial were held April 14 in South Hadley.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Connecticut Chapter, 183 Silas Dean Highway, Wethersfield, CT.

The Ryder Funeral Home of South Hadley was in charge of arrangements.
Burton Stafford
Greensboro, N.C. — Burton W. Stafford, 85, of Greensboro, N.C., formerly of Pawcatuck, passed away on May 9, 2006. Mr. Stafford was born in Newport, R.I., on March 4, 1923.
He was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving in World War II and earning a Purple Heart and the Bronze Service Star during the Battle of the Bulge.
He graduated from Brown University, received a master's degree from the University of Rhode Island, and a 5th year professional certification from the University of Connecticut. He was employed for 33 years with the Stonington public schools and retired in 1985 as principal of Pawcatuck Middle School. He was a member of numerous professional organizations.
Mr. Stafford was preceded in death by his brothers, George, William, Elwood, and a sister, Janice. He was the loving husband of his devoted wife, Gloria M. Stafford for 56 years. He cherished his son, Jay Stafford and his wife, Antonio, and his precious granddaughter, Ashley Ann Stafford, all of Greensboro.
A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 13, at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church. Interment will follow at the church columbarium.
In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 4-A Oak Branch Drive, Greensboro, NC 27407.
The Hanes-Lineberry Funeral Home, North Elm St., Greensboro, is assisting the family.

Burton Stafford
Greensboro, N.C. — Mr. Burton W. Stafford, 85, of Greensboro, N.C., formerly of Pawcatuck, passed away May 8, 2006. Mr. Stafford was born in Newport, R.I. on March 4, 1923.
Mr. Stafford was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving in World War II and earned a Purple Heart and the Bronze Service Star during the Battle of the Bulge.
He was employed for 33 years with the Stonington Public Schools and retired in 1985 as principal of Pawcatuck Middle School. He was a member of numerous professional organizations.
Mr. Stafford was preceded in death by his brothers, George, William, and Elwood; and a sister, Janice. He was the loving husband of his devoted wife, Gloria M. Stafford, for 56 years. He cherished his son, Jay Stafford and his wife, Antonio, and his precious granddaughter, Ashley Ann Stafford, all of Greensboro.
A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 13, at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church. Interment will follow at the church columbarium.
In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 4-A Oak Branch Drive, Greensboro, NC 27407.
The Hanes-Lineberry Funeral Home, North Elm Street, is assisting the family.
While her daughters were still at home, Mary Alice was an active homemaker, proud of her home and gardens. She enjoyed participating at the Congregational Church in West Hartford, her garden club and bridge groups while volunteering at Meals on Wheels and Girl Scouts. Later Mary Alice joined Lord & Taylor as manager of the Home Furnishing Department and then as service manager for the store.

At StoneRidge Mary Alice loved participating in the many and varied activities, both on and off “campus,” quickly making good friends. She stayed active in her college sorority, Delta Delta Delta, and was happy to find sorority sisters at StoneRidge. She loved both the residents and staff at StoneRidge. She enjoyed gardening both at her own apartment and in the community garden. Upon the death of her husband, Mary Alice felt she might never be happy again, but in fact her 14 years at StoneRidge were full of joy.

Her family would like to thank Avalon staff for their wonderful care, and special appreciation goes to her aide Lorette Pierre who made her last years such a happy and comfortable one.

A memorial service will be celebrated at 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 26, at StoneRidge.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in her memory may be made to Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center, 109 Pequotsepos Road, Mystic, CT 06355 or the Staff Appreciation Fund at StoneRidge, 186 Jerry Browne Road, Mystic, CT 06355.
Alexander Standish
Stonington — Alexander F. Standish, of Stonington, passed away on Tuesday, Aug. 12, 2008, with his wife, Marsha by his side.

He was the son of Alexander and Elizabeth (Germain) Standish, and was born in New Haven. He was the beloved husband of Marsha L. (Nile) Standish. He graduated from New Haven High School and attended La Salle University and Quinnipiac College. Alexander was formerly of East Haven and Hartford. He was a retired Connecticut and New Hampshire assessor, consultant, and appraiser. Alex Standish retired as city assessor, City of Hartford, after 25 years of service with that city. Alex had previously served as assessor in the Town of East Haven and Portsmouth, N.H. While assessor in the City of Hartford, he successfully completed an in-house revaluation of all real estate and personnel in that city, a unique and challenging endeavor among colleagues in the assessing profession. While in East Haven, he served as the New Haven County Assessors Association chairman and as a member of the executive board of the Connecticut Association of Assessing Officers. Alex was well known as an instructor of assessors and appraisers in the Connecticut area and has been recognized as instructor emeritus of the Connecticut Association of Assessing Officers. His professional designations included Certified Connecticut Senior Municipal Assessor, Certified Assessor Evaluator, International Association of Assessing Officers, Senior Residential Appraiser and Senior Real Property Appraiser of the Appraisal Institute, and International Association of Assessing Officers. He has been certified as instructor for each of these associations and has also gained the distinction as life member of these organizations. He has been certified by the State of Connecticut as a licensed general appraiser and has also been certified to perform revaluations of all types of real estate and personal property. Other involvements included State of Connecticut representative for the International Association of Assessing Officers, regular chairman and president of the Connecticut Association of Assessing Officers. He has been recognized and received the Distinguished Connecticut Assessor and Assessor of the Year by the Connecticut Association of Assessing Officers.

After leaving the City of Hartford, he became the founder and owner of the A.E. Standish Associates, Consultants, and Appraisers. He was a member of the Town of Stonington Economic Development Commission, Stonington Democratic Committee and volunteered at the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center. While residing in East Haven, he was a member of the Munnings Volunteer Fire Department, the East Haven Chapter of the Knights of Columbus and the Lions Club. Alex was an active sportsman and played on well-known basketball and baseball teams in the New Haven County. He was a member of Company D, a machine gun company, 102nd Infantry, 43rd Division, and was a member of their basketball team.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Alexander J. Standish of South Windsor, a stepson, Michael D. White, and five grandchildren, Michael Whitmore of Nashua, N.H., Kristin Mullen of Huntsville, Ala., Jeff Whitmore, and Teagan and Cassidy White. He also leaves one sister, Nellie King, of Long Beach, Calif., and a brother, Ted Standish of Hamden.

He was predeceased by a daughter, Dorothy L. Whitmore, of Nashua, N.H., and four brothers, Frank, Anthony, William, Peter, and John.

A funeral Mass will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 16, 2008 at Saint Mary's Church in Stonington. Burial will follow at Elm Grove Cemetery, Greenmanville Avenue, Mystic. There are no calling hours.

The Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, has charge of arrangements.

The family invites you to visit mysticfuneral-home.com for the online register book.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center, Chase Street, Pawcatuck, CT 06379 or to the Home and Hospice Care of Rhode Island, 199 George St., Pawtucket, R.I. 02860.
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Caroline Stanton

Stonington — Caroline Carrie Babcock Stanton, 76, of Elm Street, the last direct descendant of Thomas Stanton, a founder of Stonington village, died Saturday at the Mary Elizabeth Convalescent Center at Groton.

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She was a communicant of Calvary Episcopal Church in Stonington and was a longtime member of the church's Altar Guild and the Episcopal Church Women.

She is survived by a nephew, Donald S. Hetherington of Mystic, and a niece, Theodora K. Eaton of Needham, Mass. She was predeceased by two sisters, Fannie S. Hetherington and Wilmina Krizacka.

A Funeral Eucharist will be celebrated at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Calvary Episcopal Church, Church Street. Private burial will be in Stonington Cemetery. Visiting hours are 7-9 tonight at the Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic.

Contributions may be made to Calvary Episcopal Church or Stonington Visiting Nurses Association, 20 Aquilla Road, Pawcatuck 06379.

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Town founder's descendant

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The Peace
Prayers of the People
The Apostles' Creed
The Homily: The Rev'd Peter D. Quin

The Gospel: John 1:12-27

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Psalm 23 (KJV) (said together)
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Caroline Babcock Stinson

In Thanksgiving
Donald C. Stanton

Stonington — Donald C. “Barney” Stanton, 87, of 42 Moss St., Pawcatuck, died peacefully Feb. 3, 2005 at his home.

Born in Pawcatuck on Feb. 9, 1917 he was the son of the late Norman C. and Amey A. (Crockett) Stanton.

Mr. Stanton was employed at Harris Graphics and former C.B. Cottrell Co. for many years before his retirement. He was a World War II Army veteran.

Donald is survived by his brother, Kenneth C. Stanton of Zephyrhills, Fla., and two cousins, Jean Littleton of Pawcatuck and Claire Longhurst of Aston, Pa.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly. Burial will be in River Bend Cemetery, Beach Street, Westerly.

Calling hours are respectfully omitted.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Visiting Nurses Association of Southeastern Connecticut, 403 Frontage Rd., Waterford CT 06385.
The death of Donald Palmer Stanton of Main street, on Sunday evening, took from us a life-long resident of Stonington. Mr. Stanton has been in ill health for several years, and his health was considerably undermined by an attack of pneumonia last summer.

Born in Stonington on October 7, 1870, the son of the late George D. and Anna Palmer Stanton, he has resided here ever since. His pleasant disposition had won for him many friends. Quiet by nature, he led a retired life at his home, always welcoming callers with a smile. and able through his excellent memory to tell many anecdotes of life in Stonington in past days.

Surviving are a half-brother, Frank Stanton of Portland, Oregon, and two cousins, Mrs. Charles A. Moll of the Road district, and Louis Stanton of Wepqueteague.

Funeral services, which were private, were held from his late home on Wednesday afternoon, and interment was in the family plot in Stonington cemetery.
STANTON—Helen LaFetra. Died peacefully at her home on December 15, 1998, age 98. She was the widow of Louis Lee Stanton. Mother of Ann S. Warden, Louis L. Stanton Jr., and the late Dixon LaFetra Stanton. Also survived by ten grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Service to be held at 1:30pm on Saturday, December 19th, at St. James's Episcopal Church, Madison Avenue and 71st. Street, NYC.

STANTON—Helen LaFetra. The Trustees and staff of the Mary Flagler Cary Charitable Trust mourn the loss of our friend and former colleague, Helen Stanton, who served as a Trustee from the Trust's founding in 1968 until her retirement in 1985. Helen Stanton and Mrs. Cary were close friends from early childhood and they shared many interests, particularly in the musical life of New York City. Helen was steadfast in her devotion to music and to the training of young musicians. Her memory serves to remind us of the highest standards of public service and friendship.

(DIXON)
It was first planned to hold the coronation on Monday evening, following the royal parade. However, it was decided to hold the ceremony on Sunday, due to unforeseen circumstances. The main event of the day was the ceremony, which included a pageant and a procession. The procession started outside the castle and made its way through the city, ending at the palace. The main attraction of the day was the arrival of the queen and other members of the royal family. The weather was sunny and the crowds were enthusiastic. The ceremony was a huge success and the day was filled with joy and celebration. The city was decorated with flags and banners, and the streets were filled with people. The day ended with a fireworks display, which was a spectacular sight. The event was a huge success and the city was filled with joy and celebration.
Funeral Is Held for
Mrs. Herbert Staplin

Funeral services were held at the Harvey W. Buckler Funeral Home, 121 Main St., yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock for Mrs. Elizabeth A. (Mitchell) Staplin of Westerly.

The service was conducted by Rev. Douglas Harwood of the United Church of Stonington.

Interment was in Stonington Cemetery. The bearers were James Culley, Ivan Clark, James Clark, Alden Mitchell, Arnold Perkins and Donald Welch.

Mrs. Staplin, wife of the late Herbert S. Staplin, died Wednesday at the Westerly Hospital.
STAPLIN — In Westerly, R.I., February 15, 1968, Herbert S. Staplin, husband of Elizabeth A. (Mitchell) Staplin. Funeral services will be held at the United Church of Stonington, Friday, February 18, at 2 p.m. Interment in Stonington Cemetery. Relatives and friends invited. Calling hours at the Harvey W. Buckler Funeral Home, 121 Main Street, Thursday evening, 7-9.

Herbert Staplin Dies at Age 80

Herbert S. Staplin, 80, husband of Elizabeth A. (Mitchell) Staplin, of Greenhaven Road, Westerly, died at Westerly Hospital yesterday.

Mr. Staplin was the eldest member of the Stonington Hook and Ladder Company and had been employed as a drill press operator at the Kellem's Company in Stonington prior to his retirement last November.

He was also a member of the United Church of Stonington, Asylum Lodge No. 87, Modern Woodmen, Matilda Morgan Coagel Daughters of America, and Ruth Chapter, O.E.S.

Born June 18, 1883 in Stonington, he was a son of the late Robert and Sally A. (Gardner) Staplin.

In addition to his wife he is survived by a son, Hubert F. Staplin; a daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth F. Staplin, both of Westerly; a grandson, Robert E. Staplin; a niece, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at the United Church of Stonington, Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be in Stonington Cemetery.
James E. Staplin

James E. Staplin, a well known citizen of Stonington, died Saturday morning following a shock sustained a few hours previously. He had been ill for some months, having been overcome by a complete failure of all life activity because of the condition of his health.

He was born in Stonington, a son of the late Lemuel P. and Rebecca Staplin, and had resided here all of his life. In earlier years he was engaged as a machinist and had since followed other occupations, among which was that of a painter, and at one time he was a patrolman on the borough force.

In the days of kerosene street lamps he was employed as a lamp lighter for a number of years, and for a long time previous to his retirement had been officiating as janitor at the school building in the borough. Joining the Pioneer Hook and Ladder Co. on March 6, 1889, he had served that company in several positions, at one time being its first assistant fireman.

Throughout his life, and until his health prevented, he was an active and willing worker in civic duties and a host of friends are grieved to learn of his passing.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mutilda (Davia) Staplin, and one daughter, Mrs. Dora Engler, both of the borough, and they carefully ministered to the needs of the invalid through his months of sickness.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from the Davis funeral home in the borough and the officiating clergyman was Rev. E. E. Knapp of Mystic. Burial was in Stonington cemetery and the bearers were Oscar Riley, Charles Pearce, Arthur Raynor and William Rose, all members of the Pioneer Hook and Ladder Company.
Philip Stapp

Stonington — Philip Stapp, called “one of the most original and creative animators ever to work in educational films” died Oct. 2 after a brief illness. He was 95 and lived in Stonington.

Over the decades, Stapp contributed finely crafted elements to many films (listed in the International Film Foundation catalogue) that set the standard for creativity in animating the educational film. For the past 20 years he designed scrolls using geometrical and musical structures. He is survived by a sister, Martha List and several nieces and nephews.
Mystic — Orin Houston "Charlie" Stark Jr., 87, of Mystic passed away on Wednesday, June 1, 2016, at the Fairview in Groton.

Mr. Stark was born Jan. 22, 1929, in Caledonia, Miss., to Mamie and Orin Stark Sr. He was married on May 21, 1954, in St. Louis, to the late Violet Mae (Jones) Stark, the love of his life. She passed away on Oct. 2, 2002.

Charlie started his career in the Navy for four years, later joining the Coast Guard as a master chief petty officer serving aboard the Coast Guard's Eagle. He retired in 1974, receiving many awards and commendations. Following his military career, he worked for the Coast Guard R & D, finally retiring in 1993.

Charlie was also a member of the Osoboko Masonic Lodge, # 116; as well as the Ancient Scottish Rite of Free Masonry, the Sphinx Bedouin Shrine Club and Sphinx Shrine Temple. His other memberships included life membership in the Groton Lodge of Elks, member at large of both the Fleet Reserve and American Legion, Retired Armed Forces Assoc., and the U.S.D.R.

After his retirement, Orin and his wife spent many happy years traveling in their RV and camping with the Seaport Sams Camping Group.

He leaves behind his daughter, Elizabeth Stark-Drury, and her husband, Thomas, of Mystic; his two grandchildren, Thomas Stark-Drury, and his wife, Jeanette, of Ledyard and Laura Violet Montafia, and her husband, Jonathan, of Gales Ferry; and his four great-grandchildren, Christopher, Jonathan, Emma and Nathaniel. Charlie is also survived by his very special companion, Irene Jarvis.

Mr. Stark had also been predeceased by his three sisters, Wynola Hill, Glenda Gapps and Janis Lauricella.

He was a loving father and grandfather and will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, his family has requested donations be directed to the Shriners Children's Hospital, 516 Carew Ave., Springfield, MA 01104.

Please visit www.hyles.com for directions to sign his guest book or to share a memory.
Bernard Startz; Dow Chemical Official

STONINGTON — Bernard Startz, 47, of 34 Elm St., an operating supervisor at Dow Chemical Co. in Ledyard and a past commander of the James W. Harvey Post, American Legion, was pronounced dead on arrival Wednesday at Westerly Hospital, after being stricken ill at his home.

He had been employed at Dow for the last 26 years.

He had served in the National Guard and was activated by the Army during the Korean Conflict.

Born in Mystic April 4, 1931, he was the son of Andrew and Gertrude (Osborne) Startz.

Mr. Startz was a member of the Stonington Volunteer Fire Co. and a former foreman of the Steamers Engine Co. He was a member of the Stonington Ambulance Corps and an instructor in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and a member of the former Stonington Little League.

Survivors include his wife, Lillian Costa Startz; a daughter, Joanne Veal of Old Mystic; a brother, Walter E. Startz of Pawcatuck; two half-brothers, Albert and Donald Banks, both of Mystic; and one grandson.

DEATH NOTICES

STARTZ — In Westerly, R.I., July 28, 1978, Bernard (Cappy) M. Startz, age 47, of 34 Elm St., Stonington, husband of Lillian (Costa) Startz.

Funeral services will be held at the Shea-Williams Funeral Home, 19 East Main St., Mystic, Saturday, July 29 at 10 a.m. Interment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Stonington. Friends may call at the funeral home tonight from 7 to 9 o'clock and tomorrow from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.
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Denise Startz

Pawcatuck — Denise (Hebert) Startz, 45, of 18 Edwards St., Pawcatuck, wife of Walter E. Startz Jr., died May 8, 2002, at the Westerly Hospital, Westerly.

Born on May 17, 1956, in Westerly, she was the daughter of Joseph and Mary (Hanrahan) Hebert, both of Westerly.

Mrs. Startz was a counter person at McDonald’s in Dunns Corners.

She was a former den mother for Cub Scout troops in Pawcatuck, a former member of both R.T.O.’s at West Vine Street School and Pawcatuck Middle School, and a dedicated and loving wife, mother, and grandmother.

Surviving, in addition to her husband and parents, are four sons, Jason M. Startz of Mystic, and Kevin A. Startz, Phillip J. Startz, and Ryan E. Startz, all of Pawcatuck; a brother, Stephen Hebert of Pawcatuck; a sister, Karen Brennan of Pawcatuck; three granddaughters; and several nieces and nephews.

Calling hours are 6-8 tonight at the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly.

The funeral service will be held at noon at the funeral home. Interment will be in St. Michael’s Cemetery, Pawcatuck.
Stamford — Sgt. Kenneth Lee Staritz (retired), 63, of Stamford, husband of 13 years to Kimball Androzzi-Staritz, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 27, 2014, surrounded by his loving family at the Rhode Island Hospital after a brief and courageous battle from injuries he sustained in an accident.

Born on Aug. 16, 1950, in New London, he was the son of the late Francis and Barbara Faler-Staritz and lived in Stonington for the past 25 years. Ken graduated from Ledyard High School in 1968. He attended Three Rivers Community College earning his associate's degree and later his bachelor's from St. John's University.

Ken was enlisted in the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve for two years. He began his career as a Groton City police officer for four years before joining the Connecticut State Police for 22 years earning the rank of sergeant. At the time of his retirement, he was the commanding officer of the State Police Detective Services Unit which included the dive team, bomb squad and the SWAT Team.

Following his long-standing career in law enforcement, he worked for Risk Management Associates, serving as vice president of the northeast territory. During his tenure, he routinely traveled the country hosting safety seminars and conducting investigations of high-profile incidents such as the World Trade Center bombing. A highly-distinguished and decorated member of the team, through his work with many major pharmaceutical companies, hospitals, and Fortune 500 corporations, Ken's expertise and experience touched everybody.

For the past four years, he was co-owner and operator with his wife and partner of Community Hearing Aids of CT. Aside from his work, Ken was a kind soul who was passionate about giving back to his community. This was evident in his work with the Westernly Warm Shelter, the Groton Rotary Club and his many volunteer missions with VOSH (Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity) where he touched the hearts of many and gave the gift of hearing.

Of the many special qualities he possessed, Ken's magnetic personality allowed him to enter any room and immediately pull others in. His warmth, love, and sharp sense of humor would always keep those around him in the highest of spirits. He had an extreme passion and tenacity for everything he loved, whether traveling America's national parks and the world with his wife and family, or changing the lives of his patients and their families through hearing care.

Ken's friends and family will attest that he was the ultimate woodsman. He carried a profound love and respect for all aspects of the outdoors, but his true passions evolved around hunting and fishing. He spent many hours in a tree stand not only to hunt a nice deer, but also to enjoy the quiet peacefulness of his surroundings. But, let's be honest, a large part of the reason was to help the closest fellow woodsman. Ken was also the guy you wanted with you in the woods when things went awry. His survival skills and emphasis on safety would make you instantly feel at ease.

In addition to his wife, he leaves a son, Todd Staritz and his wife, April, of Ledyard; brother, Robert D. Staritz and his wife, Jane, of Ledyard, Fla.; two granddaughters, Kaitlyn and Olivia Staritz; many adoring nieces and nephews; and countless friends.

He is predeceased by his brother, Gary W. Staritz.

Ken will be remembered for the many ways in which he touched and changed people's lives, especially his willingness to help others, and he will be deeply missed.

His family will receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1 (51 Williams Ave.), Mystic. A service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, at the Old Mystic Baptist Church, 810 Shewville Road, Mystic. Burial will follow at the Lunenburg Cemetery in Ledyard.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Matagamon Lake Assoc., Inc., P.O. Box 676, Patten, ME 04765. All donations received will be applied toward the Lake Matagamon Dam Reconstruction. Lake Matagamon was a favorite spot of Ken's to fish with his friends and family. A plaque will be placed at a later time at the dam in Ken's memory.

Donations may also be made to Northeast VOSH (Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity), which provides funding for students to attend future VOSH missions, at 191 America Way, Lunenburg, MA 01462. In memory of Kenneth L. Staritz.

Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online message of condolences.

Sunday, March 2, 2014
Marion Startz
Stonington — Marion Knight Startz, 83, of 17 Stewart St., widow of Walter E. Startz, died Saturday in the Westerly Nursing Home.

She was born on Dec. 4, 1919, in Pawcatuck, daughter of the late William and Daisy (Sprague) Knight.

She was a homemaker, member of the Westerly Adult Day Care Center and the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center, and avid bingo player.

She is survived by three sons, Walter E. Startz Jr. and William A. Startz, of Pawcatuck, and Stanley Dombrowski; three daughters, Rita Parker of Pawcatuck, Debra Littlefield, of Mystic and Beverly Daniels, of North Stonington; 19 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. Burial will be in Elm Grove Cemetery, Mystic.

Visiting hours are 6-8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.
She went to the cupboard
To get her poor doggie a bone,
But the roast was so sweet
They all did eat.
In soups, stews, hurriquets, potted meat,
Pies, patties, rissolés and braised beef,
Till not a morsel remained behind
To quell the hunger of the poor canine.
For when you purchase your viands
At Broughton's pet stand,
There is no chang to be found
In the whole country round.
Try a roast, or a slice from the round,
And you'll recognize we'll be bound.
Where choice is only found.

ARCHARD MARKET

GATHERING IN THE SHERES

Next Sunday, June 1st, there will be a gathering of the harvest at the old and meeting house, about twenty persons joining the church, of which Rev. C. Barrows is pastor. It is a day of the moon, and there will be no attendance at the interesting excursions. If the morning in the Mystic, and the Mystic society, guide their wheels in that winding road, and arrive at their destination at the time they would arrive, it would be a delight to see the custom of going on the wheels through the Holy Land. The pleasure will be doubled if you will sleep better at night.

TO THE BARKER HILLS

With much sorrow the people of the town will hear the news of Mr. H. Davis, for he was a gentleman and a gentleman from this town. For several months the health of Mr. Davis has been seriously impaired, and it is thought that his health is not what it was. I'm sure you will all join with me in offering our sympathies to his family.

WILL NOT GO TO WARING

The parishioners and friends of Rev. E. B. Schmitt will be pleased to learn that he has decided to decline the invitation to take charge of the parish at Carpenter City, Wisconsin, although he was very much pleased with the situation in the West, and had no other settled here would undoubtedly have accepted it.

Mystic Boy First

Harry Simmons came first in the three bicycle races yesterday at Queens. In the mile open he was against Pendleton and Farquhar, London's best riders, but they were too slow for the Mystic boy. It is hoped he will repeat this record at New Haven tomorrow.

Mystic

Hammonds 75 cents at Seamans. Fred M. Williams made a flying trip to New Haven this week.
Bessie Stavros

Bessie (Parandelis) Stavros, 82, of Hillside Avenue in Pawcatuck, died on Friday morning, March 12, 2004, at The Westerly Hospital. Her husband, Nicholas Stavros, died in 1989.

She leaves her son, John C. Stavros, husband of Jeanne M. of Westerly; three grandchildren, Kaitlin, Kara and Kelsey of Westerly; and two sisters, Mary Mitchell of Pawcatuck and Penny Vorgiotis of Stonington.

She was also pre-deceased by a son, Charlie J. Stavros in 1993.

Mrs. Stavros was born in Greece on April 18, 1921, the daughter of the late John and Elizabeth Parandelis. She resided in Pawcatuck for most of her life and worked at the W.T. Grant Company of Westerly before spending 27 years in the packaging service department of the Paragon Company of Westerly. She was a member of Holy Trinity Church, Norwich.

The funeral will be held on Monday, March 15, at 10 a.m. at Rushlow-Iaco Funeral Home, 64 Friendship St., Westerly. Calling hours will take place at the funeral home on Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m. Burial will take place at River Bend Cemetery, Westerly.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Bessie's name can be made to the Holy Trinity Church Rectory Fund, 247 Washington St., Norwich, CT 06360.
Aubrey C. Steadman

PAWCATUCK — Aubrey C. Steadman, 58, of 321 Stonington Road, was dead on arrival Thursday at Westerly Hospital after being stricken ill at his home.

A native of Westerly, R.I., he was born Feb. 7, 1914, the son of John C. and Jennie M. Steadman. He was an industrial painter at the C.B. Cottrell Co. for many years. Mr. Steadman was a member of the Westerly Ambulance Corps, Pawcatuck Lodge of Masons, Westerly Band, Quarter Century Club of the Cottrell Co. and a former member of the Stonington Police Reserves.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Margaret M. (Tattersall) Steadman; four sons, Wayne C. of Raynham, Mass., Bernard W. and Richard L., both of Mystic and Stephen A. Steadman of Stonington; a brother, James H. Steadman of Westerly; a sister, Mrs. Joyceylyn Sullivan, of Westerly and five grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. today at the Schilke Funeral Home, Westerly.
Betty Stearns

Pawcatuck — Betty Joan Stearns passed away on New Year's Day, 2019. Born in 1928 in Chicago to Bertha and Joseph Pirtle, she earned a degree in education at the University of Wisconsin. She attended a summer graduate program in England where she met G. Wendell Stearns from New Hampshire, whom she married in 1948. They lived in Boston and Lenox, Mass., where they raised six children. In 1971 they moved to Israel and developed a great love for the country. They spent their later years closer to family in Pawcatuck.

Betty taught art and third grade for several years but devoted most of her life to raising her family, active participation in their church and supporting her husband in following God's plan for their lives. Betty is predeceased by her beloved husband of 60 years and her second son, Timothy. She leaves behind her sons, Daniel and Peter, daughters, Sarah, Tamar and Hope, their spouses, 14 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Her loving smile and genuine interest in others will be remembered by all who met her.

A celebration of Betty's life will be held at Faith Bible Chapel, Westerly at 2 p.m. on Jan. 12. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Faith Bible Chapel, 115 Ashaway Road, Westerly, RI 02891. For online condolences please visit www.gaffneyolantfuneralhome.com.
Pawcatuck — G. Wendell Stearns, husband of Betty Stearns of Pawcatuck, died on April 9, 2010 at Groton Regency Nursing Home.

He was born in Manchester, N.H., on July 1, 1924, the oldest son of Rev. Herbert and Elizabeth Stearns.

His early years were spent in Epping and Alton Bay, N.H. He served in the South Pacific in the U.S. Navy as a Seabee during World War II. Through the V12 program he attended Columbia University and Dartmouth College and received his bachelor of arts degree from the University of New Hampshire.

He received a master's degree in education from the University of Wisconsin and a doctorate degree in education from Harvard University.

In the summer of 1948, Wendell met Betty, his wife of 60 years, at the University of Nottingham, England.

Dr. Stearns was professor of education and psychology at Berkshire Christian College in Lenox, Mass., for 20 years. A life-changing visit to Israel in the early 1960s sparked his desire to contribute and be part of this developing country. He moved to Israel with his family in 1971, residing there until 2001.

During his 30 years in Israel, Wendell served as educational psychologist in the northern settlements of the Jordan Valley and the schools in Tiberius. He will be remembered as a Christian man of vision and dedication.

In addition to his wife, he leaves two sons, Daniel H. Stearns of Hadley, Mass., and Peter D. Stearns of Tel Aviv, Israel; and three daughters, Sarah E. Blair of Stonington, Tamar Stearns of North Stonington and Hope R. Barak of Brooklyn, N.Y. He is also survived by three brothers, Herbert Stearns Jr. of Wilton, N.H., Richard Stearns of Cleveland, Ohio and Seth Stearns of Center Harbor, N.H.; a sister, Naomi Stearns of Copenhagen, Denmark; 14 grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by a son, Timothy W. Stearns, in 2009 and by his sister, Barbara Wilds.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 17, 2010, at Faith Bible Chapel, 115 Ashaway Road, Westerly, R.I.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Wendell's name to Faith Bible Chapel for children's educational facilities.

For online condolences, please visit gaffneydolanfuneralhome.com.
Timothy Stearns

Pawcatuck — Timothy Wendell Stearns, 55, of Mechanic Street, died suddenly as a result of a motorcycle accident on Sunday, May 31, 2009, in Willington, Conn.

He was born in Cambridge, Mass., and raised in Lenox, Mass., by Betty and Wendell Stearns. At a young age he began a life of adventure and idealism that spanned across the globe. He was a tireless learner who taught himself the trades that were his livelihood and the pastimes that animated his unconventional life. With friends across the world, many know him locally as Captain Tim, who built his first boat in Mystic in the ’70s, and later went on to sail his second, the schooner Hippo, to Central America and eventually Europe. Many of his friends and family sailed with him, and the ongoing account of his travels was followed by even more. To enumerate all his exploits would be impossible; he was an inspired man, seizing the moment while looking ever forward.

He is survived by his parents; his three children, Noah, Clemens, and Araminta; his partner, Susan Mazrolle of Ludlow, Mass.; five siblings and a large extended family.

An open gathering to remember his life will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 4, 2009, at Saltwater Farms Vineyard, 347 Elm St., in Stonington. All are welcome.
Timothy Stearns

Pawcatuck — Timothy Wendell Stearns, 55, of Pawcatuck died suddenly as a result of a motorcycle accident on Sunday, May 31, 2009, in Willington, Conn.

An open gathering will be held at Saltwater Farms Vineyard, 347 Elm St., Stonington, at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 4. A full obituary will be published in Wednesday’s edition of The Day.
OBITUARY

Beatrice Stebbins

Stonington — Beatrice Cobb Stebbins, 90, of Pensacola, Fla., a former longtime resident of Stonington, died Oct. 20 in a hospital in Florida after a sudden illness.

Born on Oct. 8, 1911, in New York City, she was the daughter of Candler and Beatrice Cobb.

She was the widow of Dr. Alexander Loudon, the wartime Netherlands ambassador to the United States and the United Nations, and James H. Stebbins.

She was a longtime member of Mystic Seaport and was actively involved in fund raising for the National Cathedral in Washington for over 30 years.

Mrs. Stebbins is survived by a son, Alexander Loudon of Pensacola; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husbands, she was predeceased by a daughter, Henriette Loudon.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. today at St. Christopher Church in Pensacola, Fla. Burial will be on Monday in Woodlawn Cemetery, Bronx, N.Y. Flowers may be sent to the cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Audubon Society or to the Washington National Cathedral.

The Harper-Morris Memorial Chapel in Pensacola, Fla., is in charge of arrangements.
Elizabeth Stebbins
Pawcatuck — Elizabeth (Grey) Stebbins left this world on Friday, March 11, 2005, to begin dancing in all of eternity with her husband and the father of her children, Tom.

She lived for her family and gave her all in everything she did. She followed Tom to all his naval assignments from Kittery, Maine, to Key West, Fla., to Honolulu, Hawaii, where she would say she spent the best years of her life.

She spent hours volunteering for projects dear to her heart, Submarine Veterans of World War II, the Arizona Memorial, Waimanalo Children's Home, Girl Scouts, and always being a cheerleader for her husband, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. She also loved to garden, growing flowers and vegetables.

She met so many people during her years working at Stop & Shop in Pawcatuck. She never met a stranger.

The family extends heartfelt thanks to all the nurses, doctors and aides at the Johnson Home in Norwich, the Norwichtown Rehabilitation and Care Center, and The William W. Backus Hospital, who took such good care of their mother and showed such kindness and compassion to all of them during the last months and days of her life.

Born in Newsom, Va., on Dec. 17, 1924, she was the daughter of the late George and Celeste (Fergason) Grey.

On Dec. 17, 1943, in New London, she was united in marriage to Thomas J. Stebbins Sr., who died May 25, 1995.

She was also predeceased by a grandson, Ryan Collins, and a sister, Ruth Carr.

Surviving are seven children, Catherine Preel and her husband J. N. J. of Hampton, Va., Susan Johnson of New London, Gail Connor and her husband Richard of Norwich, Thomas J. Stebbins Jr. and his wife Paula of Middletown, R.I., Theresa Stebbins of Hartford, Celeste Soares and her husband Joseph of Ft. Myers, Fla., and Michael Stebbins of Pawcatuck; 15 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

A celebration of her life and a visitation will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday with a funeral service at 5 p.m. at the Leberski Funeral Home, 107 Boswell Ave., Norwich.

Interment will take place at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 23, 2005, with her husband at Arlington National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations are asked to be made in her memory to Hospice of Southeastern CT, PO Box 942, Uncasville CT 06382.
Judith (Tetlow) Stedman

Stonington — Judith (Tetlow) Stedman, 82, of Lords Hill Road, Stonington, passed away Saturday, June 22, 2019. She was the wife of the late Wallace H. Stadman. Born in Westerly, she was the daughter of the late Richard and Frances Tetlow.

Judith graduated from WHS where she was named outstanding softball player in the mid-50s. In her younger years she ran a kennel and in the 70s, she owned and operated a dog grooming business called The Band Box in Westerly. Judith retired after many years of compassionate service as a L.P.N. with the state of Connecticut.

She leaves her five children, Debra J. Ferland of Warren, N.H., Leonard R. Brainard and Robert F. Brainard, both of Westerly, Richard S. Brainard of Stonington, Jo Ferland of Coventry, R.I.; and two brothers, Richard Tetlow of Hot Springs, Ariz. and Robert Tetlow of Pawcatuck; 12 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 25, at Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. Relatives and friends are also invited to attend a funeral service at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, in the funeral home. Burial will follow at Stonington Cemetery, Stonington.

For online condolences please visit www.gaffney-dolanfuneralhome.com.
Wallace Stedman Jr.

Stonington — Wallace H. Stedman Jr., 72, beloved husband of Judith (Tetlow) Stedman, of Lords Hill Road, Stonington, passed away on Friday, March 22, 2013, at Lawrence + Memorial Hospital, New London.

Born in Westerly, he was a son the late Wallace H. Sr. and Helen Stedman. Wallace was employed as a tool maker for Harris Graphics for many years. He was known as a perfectionist when it came to making tools and truly loved his job.

He was also a former member of the Elks.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his sons, Leonard R. Brainard Jr. and Robert F. Brainard, both of Westerly, and Richard S. Brainard and his wife, Karen, of Stonington; his daughters, Debra J. Ferland of Warren, N.H. and Jo A. Ferland of Coventry, R.I. He also leaves a brother, John Stedman of Mystic; twelve grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, in Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. A funeral service will take place at 10 a.m. Tuesday, in the funeral home, followed by interment at Stonington Cemetery, Stonington.

For online condolences, please go to www.gaffney-dolanfuneralhome.com
James Steele

Stonington — James "Jim" P. Steele, 77, of Stonington, husband of 50 years to Victoria (Sforza) Steele, died Friday, Oct. 28, 2016.

Born in New London, he was the son of the late Philip and Margaret (Mahoney) Steele, and was a lifelong resident of the area.

Jim was a supervisor with Electric Boat, retiring in 1996. Following his retirement, he worked part time with the Mystic Aquarium for the last 14 years.

He was a U.S. Navy veteran and was a member of the Knights of Columbus Council No. 1943 Mystic.

In addition to his wife, he leaves his four children, Patrick Steele of Southboro, Mass., Christopher Steele of Niantic, Daniel Steele of Waterford, and Gretchen Berg of Christmas, Fla.; step-son Michael Sforza of Ledyard; sister Phyllis Sutton of Mystic; brother Edward Steele and his wife, Lynn, of Pawcatuck; three grandchildren, Jesse and Gina Steele and Aidan Sforza; and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his first wife, Jean; and a daughter, Karen Stillman.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 4, at St. Patrick Church, 32 E. Main St., Mystic.

Burial will be private. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the American Lung Association (www.lung.org).
Mr. Steers, Author and Seaport Officer, Dies

Mr. Steers was the first full-time employee of the Seaport and had served as assistant treasurer, assistant secretary of the Marine Historical Assoc., and as a member of the Board of Directors from 1958-60. He was made an honorary member in 1975, and served as secretary to the Seaport Stores Inc. from 1955-60.

While at the Seaport, Mr. Steers served as director of special events from 1944-49 and editor of the quarterly news magazine which he helped establish, "The Log," from 1948-60. He established and administered the successful and popular lecture series "Seaport Adventures," and the interdenominational Sunday afternoon vesper services. Other posts include the Conrad Youth Training Committee from 1947-50; Brilliant Training Committee from 1953-59; a member of the Educational Board from 1954-50; member of the Operating Committee from 1955-58; and chairman of the Educational Department from 1956-60.


He was a member of the Mystic Congregational Church since 1946 and served as a deacon from 1958-58 and as chairman of the Board of Deacons from 1958-58.

He was delegate-at-large from the State of Connecticut to the General Council in Omaha, Neb. in 1955 and served as corporate member of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions in 1958. He was delegate to the First General Synod, United Church of Christ, in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1957.

Mr. Steers was a member of the committee for the ministry of the Connecticut Conference from 1957-58 and served on the Executive Committee of the New London County Assoc. of Congregational Christians in 1957 and the Executive Committee of the New London County Laymen's Assoc. from 1957-62.

A member of Pequotsepos Wildlife Sanctuary, he had served as a trustee from 1960-65, secretary and editor of its magazine, "Trails," from 1966-67, and as the educational chairman from 1963-64.

He was a member of the Mystic River Valley Historical Society; a member of the Executive Committee of the Steers Family Assoc.; served on the Board of Directors of the Mystic Chamber of Commerce, and chairman of its Rivers and Harbors Committee in 1958.

Mr. Steers was also a member of the Newcomen Society of America; American Museum of Natural History; American Forestry Assoc.; Nature Conservancy; Indian and Colonial Research Center in Old Mystic; member of the Board of Advisors to Starlight Farm in North Stonington; member of the National Trust for Historic Preservation; Stonington Historical Society; and National Wildlife Federation.

He was a member of the American Yacht Club and the Yale University Club.

He was a weekly column in the former Stonington paper "The Mirror-Journal" from 1946-58, and in The Compass from 1953-57.

Mr. Steers was a secretary to the CG & Q Railroad and in 1926 became executive vice president of the New York Central Railroad office in Chicago.

Born in Quincy, Ill., June 12, 1896, he was the son of the late Joseph H. and Augusta I. (Reed) Steers.

Graduating from Quincy High School in 1915, he attended Gem City Business College in Quincy and Yale University from 1916-19.

There are no immediate survivors.

The funeral service will be held at Mystic Congregational Church Tuesday at 11 a.m. Interment will be in Elm Grove Cemetery. Calling hours will be held at Shea-Williams Funeral Home, 19 East Main St., Mystic, tomorrow from 7 to 9 p.m.
Ralph Stefanelli

Stonington — Ralph Stefanelli, 76, of 42 Circle Drive, Arlington Acres, Stonington, died Saturday at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital with his family by his side.

He was born in Newark, N.J. on March 21, 1927, the son of Enrico and Elizabeth (Ventri) Stefanelli.

Mr. Stefanelli served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and was a member of the Seabees.

He was employed as a carpenter at Electric Boat in Groton for over 20 years before his retirement in 1995.

A former resident of New London, he was also an active member of VFW Post 186 and was a MOC member. He was also a member of the American Legion and was acting vice president of the Stonington Golden Agers at the Stonington Community Center. He was a communicant of St. Patrick Church in Mystic.

Ralph was an avid coin and stamp collector and loved thoroughbred racing.

Mr. Stefanelli was the husband of Geraldine (Caruso) Stefanelli.

In addition to his wife, he leaves two sons, Gerald Stefanelli Sr. and his wife Brenda of Waterford, and Bruce Stefanelli Sr. and his wife Gale of Preston; three stepsons, Thomas Sellari of Warren, N.J., Donald Sellari and his wife Lynn of Nutley, N.J., and Joseph Sellari and his wife Lydia of Ledyard; a brother, Anthony Stefanelli and his wife Terry of Bloomfield, N.J.; a sister, Louise Simmons of Huntington, West Va.; his grandchildren, Gerald Jr., Matthew, Bruce Jr., Lucia, Thomas, Matthew, Donald, Michael, Stephanie, and Joseph; several great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded by a sister, Alderina Belforti.

Ralph’s family will greet relatives and friends from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at The DiNoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic.

An additional calling hour will be held from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home, to be followed by a noon funeral Mass at St. Patrick Church, East Main Street, Mystic.

Burial will follow the Mass in St. Patrick Cemetery, Old Mystic.

Donations in his memory may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 300 Research Parkway, Meriden, CT 06450.

For directions and online condolence book for the family, please visit odonnellfuneral.com.
Harvey ‘Harve’ Stein, 92
Prominent artist opened gallery in Noank in 1939

Groton — Harvey “Harve” Stein, 92, of 69 High St., Noank, a prominent artist and illustrator, died Saturday evening at Mary Elizabeth Nursing Home in Mystic, where he had been a patient since Tuesday.

He was born in Chicago on April 23, 1904, the son of Frank J. and Emma Peters Stein.

He attended the Art Institute of Chicago and was apprenticed to illustrator Haddon Sundblom. Mr. Stein went to Paris in 1925 to continue his art studies at the Académie Julian. He also attended the Chicago Academy of Fine Arts and the New York Art Students' League.

Mr. Stein was a professor emeritus of fine art at the Rhode Island School of Design. He was head of the illustration department, and served as administrator, critic and art history lecturer at the school from 1947 to 1961.

He held summer classes in watercolor painting at Connecticut and Mitchell colleges in New London. From 1947 to 1953, he served as an instructor at the New London Art Students League. In 1964, he was awarded an honorary doctorate of fine arts from RISD.

He opened a gallery in Noank, Stone Ledge Gallery, in 1939.

When he started his career, he worked as staff illustrator for the New York Herald Tribune Sunday magazine and other publications.

As an illustrator, he completed more than 70 books for young people, including modern publications of Louisa May Alcott's "Little Women" and "Little Men." His watercolors have been exhibited internationally, and received numerous awards, including a certificate of merit from the American Watercolor Society in 1962, and a certificate of merit from the Society of Illustrators in 1965.

He has been listed in Who's Who in American Art and Who's Who in America.

Some of his works are in the permanent collections of Brown University, University of Southern Mississippi, New York Public Library and McGill University.

He was also active in the community. Mr. Stein served two terms as president of the Mystic Art Association and chairman of the New London County Christmas Seal program. He was a founding member of the Noank Historical Society and served as director of the Groton Bicentennial Art Exhibition.

He married Hope Jonas in Glencoe, Ill., on Sept. 17, 1927.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Stein is survived by a son, Fritz Stein of Noank; three granddaughters, two step-grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by two brothers, Edward and Frank Stein.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Noank Baptist Church. Private burial at Elm Grove Cemetery, Mystic, will precede the service. There are no calling hours.

Memorial gifts may be made to Noank Baptist Church, 18 Cathedral Heights, Noank, 06350, or the Harvey Stein Memorial Fund, c/o Mystic Art Association, 9 Water St., Mystic, 06355.

The Dimity Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.
Karl Steinmayer

Stonington — Karl Frederick Steinmayer of Stonington, passed away on Thursday Oct. 3, 2002 at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital in New London.

Karl was a longtime employee of the Mystic Seaport Museum’s interpretation department, where he was an assistant foreman on the demonstration squad. He learned many traditional maritime skills there and became particularly adept at sail making and woodcarving. His life-sized codfish carvings were known throughout the museum.

Karl also studied the harp and composed music for the instrument. He was a creative brewer and vintner, experimenting with making wine from tomatoes, pumpkins, and rutabagas. He was an avid reader and prolific poet. He often said that the greatest compliment he could have received was to be called a poet, since he believed that was a frame of mind, not just a talent.

When courting his wife, he wrote her a poem every day for months.

Karl graduated from Bates College in Maine in 1979 with a biology degree.

He is survived by his wife, Lynn Marie; their two children, Christopher Thor and Lillian Abigail; his parents, Bill and Betty Jerome; his brothers, Otto and Bill; and his step-siblings, Susan Jerome, Anne Jerome, Bill Jerome, and Lynn Jerome.

There will be a memorial service at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, at Chubb’s Wharf, Mystic Seaport Museum.

Contributions in his memory may be made to the Christopher and Lillian Steinmayer Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 13, Old Mystic CT 06372.

The DiNoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl Street, Mystic, is assisting the family.

For online condolences, guest registry for the family, please visit www.dinoto-funeral.com.

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Arlene Byers Stellmaker, of Stonington, Conn., an early childhood educator of 36 years, died on March 2, 2011, at The Westerly Hospital in Westerly, R.I. She passed with quiet dignity.

Born in New London, Conn., in 1921, she was the daughter of Captain Elvin B. Byers and Mary Walton Byers. She attended school in the Stonington public school system and was a 1939 graduate of Stonington High School. She graduated from Willimantic State Teachers College in 1943 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education.

Arlene began her teaching career in Groton, Conn., at Mystic Academy. In 1949, she came to West Broad Street School in Pawcatuck, Conn., replacing her own kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Thomas. Arlene, transferred to the West Vine Street School in 1967, when it opened for the first time, as a kindergarten teacher. She taught there until her retirement in 1984.

Arlene is remembered as an avid reader and teacher who loved children. She loved to see her students succeed, and many of them often came back to visit her in later years, to thank her for starting them off in the right direction.

Mrs. Stellmaker was active in Girl Scout Troop No. 912. In 1974, she chartered members of the troop on a two-week trip, visiting five countries in Europe. The highlight of the trip was the hike to "Our Chalet," the International Girl Scout House near Adelboden, Switzerland.

Arlene was a world traveler, with her family, visiting Machu Picchu in Peru, Tibet, the Great Wall of China, Russia, Guatemala, Belize, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Newfoundland, and Alaska — places that were off the beaten path.

She was a charter member of the Zeta Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa (an international society of women educators) and the Mystic Aquarium. Arlene was also a member of the Connecticut Association of Retired Teachers, the Central Baptist Church (Circle 3, and the Parish Committee).

Arlene was preceded in passing by her husband of 54 years, Robert M. Stellmaker. On the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary, their family sent them on a trip to Great Britain and Ireland.

Arlene is survived by many loving family members and dear friends.

In honor of Arlene's memory, and in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the following nonprofit organizations: The Westerly Public Library, 44 Broad St., Westerly, R.I. 02891, and The Westerly Hospital Foundation, 25 Wells St., Westerly, R.I. 02891.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, April 16, 2011, at 11 a.m. in Central Baptist Church, 16 Elm St., Westerly. Burial in the River Bend Cemetery is private.

Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly, is in charge of the arrangements. For online condolences, go to www.gaffneydolanhomes.com.
Charles Stenbeck


He was the son of the late Helen and Harry Stenbeck of Brooklyn, N.Y. He was a U.S. Navy veteran, and a police officer in Jacksonville, Fla. Charles was known for his gentleness and kind spirit.

He is survived by his adoring wife, Jeannette, and a loving family.

Services will be held Friday, June 3, 2016, at the Mystic Funeral Home, Rt. 1, Mystic. Visitation will be at 12:30 p.m., service at 1 p.m., followed by burial at 2 p.m. with military honors at the Union Cemetery, Rt. 49, Stonington.

Family and friends welcome.
Glenna Stenhouse
Hope Valley, R.I. — Glenna (Noble) Stenhouse, 86, of 807 Main Street, Hope Valley, R.I., died Friday morning, Nov. 21, 2003, at Yale-New Haven Hospital in New Haven where she had been a patient for the past three weeks.

She was born in Providence, daughter of the late Enoch and Imogen Glover Noble. She was a graduate of Stonington High School with the class of 1939.

She was the widow of John W. Stenhouse Sr.

Mrs. Stenhouse had been employed as a bookkeeper at the George C. Moore Company and later with the Hanley and Williams Lumber Company in Westerly.

An active member of the community she was a member of the Central Baptist Church in Westerly, the Ledyard Grange, the Eastern Star, and served as Mother Advisor to the order of Rainbow for girls. She was treasurer of the Canochet Cliffs Elderly Housing and was the director of the "Song Birds".

She is survived by three children, John Stenhouses and Susan Treherne both of Stonington, and David Uhlig of Montana; a brother, David Noble of Penta Luma, Calif.; three grandchildren, Barbara Jileau and husband Joseph of Voluntown, John Cronin of Stonington, and Tamara Treherne of Pawcatuck; and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic on Monday, Nov. 24, 2003, at 10 a.m. Burial will be in Union Cemetery, North Stonington.

Relatives and friends may call at the funeral home from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday.

Contributions may be made in her memory to the Westerly Ambulance Corps, 30 Chestnut Street, Westerly RI 02891.
Bernice Stepler

Stonington — Bernice A. (Choquette) Stepler of Stonington passed away peacefully at her home on Thursday, July 22, 2010.

She was born in Stonington on May 1, 1927.

She is survived by her husband, Wallace; four children, Cynthia of Springfield, Vt., Paul of Naples, Fla., Carl of Torrington and David of Stonington; 12 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her parents, Leon and Lilly, and a brother, Vincent.

Bernice graduated from Lewis High School in Stonington with honors and received the DAR Good Citizenship Award. She was a graduate of the Pequot Secretarial School of Meriden. Bernice also studied art at the Paire College of Art and attended art courses at Central Connecticut State University and Tunxis Community College.

Bernice was active with the New Britain Museum of American Art, serving as a docent, chairwoman of the education committee and as a member of the board of directors.

In later years, she made beautiful banners for St. Patrick’s Catholic Church in Mystic and for the Mystic Pilgrim Prayer Group, where she was a member.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 9, at the Mystic Funeral Home, 51 Williams Ave., Route 1, Mystic. Burial will be private. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice Southeastern Connecticut, 227 Dunham St., Norwich CT 06380 (www.hospicesect.org). The family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneral-home.com to share an online message of condolence.
Wallace S. "Wally" Stepler

Stonington - Wallace "Wally" S. Stepler, 90, of Stonington, husband of the late Bernice A. Stepler, died Monday, March 13, 2017.

Born in New Britain, he was the son of the late Charles and Hilda (Whittleam) Stepler and lived in Stonington since 1974. He was a Navy veteran of World War II, and served on the USS Caloosahatchee as a radaman.

He is survived by his children, Cynthia of Springfield, Vt., Paul and his wife, Rosemary, of Naples, Fla. and David and his wife, Linda, of Stonington; a daughter-in-law, Pamela of Torrington; 12 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by a son, Carl Stepler.

Wally was employed at the former Connecticut Light and Power Company. He started his career there as a meter tester and advanced to a field engineering supervisor, retiring in 1984 after 37 years of service. Wally attended schools in Southington and took courses at the USAFI, Connecticut State Technical Institute and New Haven College.

Wally and Bernice spent their retirement years visiting historical sites throughout the United States, building a home in Vermont, sailing their Catboat on Fisher's Island Sound and enjoying time with their grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A memorial service with the Mystic Pilgrim Prayer Group of which Wally was a member, will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, March 24, at the Mystic Funeral Home on Route 1 in Mystic. Burial with military honors will follow at Elm Grove Cemetery in Mystic.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Wally's memory may be made to: Visiting Nurses Association of Southeastern Connecticut or Mystic Seaport Museum.

The family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave a note of condolence.

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Mystic — Pauline (Dailey) Stets, 96, of Mystic, devoted wife of the late John C. Stets, passed away peacefully Monday, May 16, 2011, at home. She was a lady of great grace and strength.

Born in Binghamton, N.Y., she was the daughter of the late Austin Dailey and Cora (Card) Dailey and was a Mystic resident for the past 48 years.

Pauline graduated from the University of New York at Oswego, earning her teaching degree in reading and literacy. She returned to teaching after her children were grown and was a substitute school teacher with the Groton school system for many years.

Her greatest passion was helping children succeed. She was devoted to helping them learn to read with patient coaching. After retiring from teaching, it was her grandchildren who then reaped the benefits of her talents and love. She also made the best tuna fish sandwiches ever!

She is survived by her three children, Daniel J. Stets and his wife, Milica, of New York City, Mary Anne Stets and her husband, H. Wes Maxwell, of Stonington, and Susan Stets of Groton; a daughter-in-law, Mary Lee Stets of Enfield; 12 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by two sons and a daughter-in-law, John J. Stets and his wife, Constance Stets, and James D. Stets.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday, May 20, at St. Mary Church, 95 Main St., Stonington. Burial will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery, Route 1, Stonington. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital (www.stjude.org)

The family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online expression of sympathy.
Katherine Stetson
Sharon Center, Ohio —

Taffy was born on Jan. 19, 1959, in Columbus, Ohio. She graduated from Stonington High School, earned a B.F.A. from the Art Institute of Chicago and received her M.A. in counseling psychology from Loyola University in Chicago.

She worked in addiction treatment programs for more than 20 years. She held several leadership and development positions, and served as president of the Gambling Counselor Certification Board of Oregon from 1997-2001. In 2006, she started her own company, Stetson Choice Technologies LLC.

Her lifelong passion was oil painting and drawing with pen and ink.

She leaves behind her husband, J. Robert Gribble; parents, Ruth E. and Robert E. Stetson Jr. M.D., of Brooklyn, Conn.; sister Vicki Stetson and husband, Steve Mullo, of Tolland; brother Bob Stetson of North Eastham, Mass.; stepdaughters Meredith Greene and husband, Bob, of Columbus, Ohio, and Lauren Gribble and husband, Seamus O’Hara, of Los Angeles, Calif.; nephews Eric and Edward Mullo, and niece Eva Mullo, of Tolland.

She was predeceased by 11 days by her beloved cat, Ivan.


A celebration of her life will take place at 4:30 p.m. on Sept. 17, at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Akron, Ohio, 3330 Morewood Road.

She is survived by her husband, Frank R. Stevens and her son, Stephen W. Harby, as well as a stepdaughter and stepson and four grandchildren.

Anne was born in Manhattan and attended Friend's Seminary there. She received her bachelor of arts degree magna cum laude from Bryn Mawr College in 1949. She lived in Cambridge, Mass., for many years where she was an editor at Harvard's East Asian Research Center.

Anne married Frank in 1970. They moved to Deep River in 1974, to Stonington in 1983, and Essex Meadows in Essex in 2006. Anne spent 23 years making double-crostic puzzles with Frank for their own small mail-order business, first in Deep River and then in Stonington. In addition to a lifelong interest in language, words, and books, she enjoyed swimming, needlepoint, and piano playing.

Private arrangements are by the Robinson, Wright & Weymer Funeral Home in Centerbrook.
Harold Stevens

Mystic — Harold R. Stevens, 79, of Mystic passed away Thursday, June 19, 2008, at Middlesex Hospital in Middletown.

Harold was born on Oct. 5, 1928, in East Hartford. He was the son of Raymond and Louise (Brown) Stevens. He attended local schools and went on to enlist in the U.S. Army and also retired from the National Guard as first sergeant.

He married Irene Stevens on June 2, 1951, at Saint Mary Church in East Hartford.

Sadly, his wife predeceased him in 1996.

A graveside service with military honors will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, June 23, 2008, at Elm Grove Cemetery, Route 27, Mystic.

Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.
her passing our grateful for
her long and productive life.
Janet was also loved by her
extended family, Charles Chor-
ton of Groton; Jacey Chorlton
of Brookings, S.D.; John, Katie,
Kai and Gus Chorlton of Sedo-
na, Ariz.; Polly Chorlton and
Stephen Schomling of Wester-
ly, R.I.; Chelsea Snurkowski and
husband, Ryan Travers of El
Paso, Texas; and Joe Snurkowski
of Ledyard.
Her family will carry in their
hearts memories of a person
devoted to her husband and
her family. She was diminutive
but possessed of strength,
intelligence and humor.
She was a voracious reader
and in her day an energetic
correspondent to family and
friends. She was quiet but
missed nothing. She found
beauty and contentment in
everything around her. She
loved her children deeply but
gave them the freedom and
independence to make their own
lives. She viewed each of life’s
changes as a new adventure to
be embraced.

The family is immensely
grateful to the staff at Mystic
Healthcare. They were all
devoted caregivers to Paul Stevens
during his stay from 2005-08
and to Janet since 2012. They
became not just caregivers but
extended family. The affection,
care and dedication they pro-
voked every day of those years
cannot be adequately recog-
nized but will forever be in the
hearts of the family.

Jan and Paul both believed
that “you arrive without cer-
emony and you leave without
ceremony” so there will be no
services. Janet and Paul want
those remaining to remember
them with smiles and laughter
and to think of them as one
of the brilliant colors in each
sunset.

**Janet Stevens**

**Mystic — Janet Anderson Stevens,** at age 100, has
released her lines on Feb.
5 to begin her voyage west
towards the sunset. Born in
1918 to Charles and Alison
(Smith) Butterworth, she was
a daughter, wife, mother, aunt,
grandmother and devoted
friend. Her younger brother,
Richard Butterworth has
departed previously on his
voyage. Her younger sister,
Alison Kilgore of Marblehead,
Mass., survives her.

Growing up in Longmead-
ow, Mass., she graduated from
high school and attended Bay
Path Business School.

In October 1941, she married
Paul Clayton Stevens, her
husband for 67 years until his
westward voyage began in
December 2008. He always
adjusted his pace and stride
to keep them together. He
has been patiently tacking
back and forth just over the
horizon waiting for her. With
following winds and a fair tide
she should reunite with him
by Valentine’s Day so they can
continue on together again.

Watching from shore are
her children, Sally Stevens
with grandson, Collin Stevens
of New Orleans, La.; Peter
Stevens and wife, Cynthia
of Bothell, Wash.; Richard
Stevens and wife, Lia of Ann
Arbor, Mich.; and Chuck
Stevens and wife, Marilyn of
Mystic. We are saddened by
Sara Stevens

Stonington — Sara E. (Aldridge) Stevens, 91, of Pawcatuck, died Monday, Nov. 11, 2013, at Lawrence + Memorial Hospital in New London.

She was born in Batesburg, S.C., on July 21, 1922. She worked as an LPN for 25 years at Lawrence + Memorial Hospital.

The family invites relatives and friends to gather for a graveside service at noon on Thursday, Nov. 14, 2013, at Elm Grove Cemetery, Mystic.

The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, is assisting the family.
Eric Van Corlandt Stevenson

Bethesda, Md. - Eric Van Corlandt Stevenson of Bethesda, Md., a former Stonington resident, died on Jan. 31, 2013.

Mr. Stevenson's long and wide-ranging career included positions in real estate financing, labor relations, research and policy analysis on international affairs and fair housing, and the practice of law. He retired in 2010, at the age of 83, as deputy director of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of Multi-Family Development, which insures loans on apartment buildings and health care facilities nationwide.

Mr. Stevenson was born on June 27, 1920, in New York City, to the former Winifred Worcester and Harvey Stevenson, a noted architect, and grew up in Croton-on-Hudson, N.Y., and Old Black Point, Conn. His favorite pastime was tennis, which he played skillfully into his eighties. He graduated from Millbrook School in Millbrook, N.Y., Yale University, and Yale Law School. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1944 to 1946, and as a reservist was recalled into service during the Korean War at the rank of lieutenant. He began his legal career with the National Labor Relations Board in Washington, and later served as special assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Labor Relations. After the Korean War, he moved to Hartford, married, and engaged in the general practice of law with the firm of Susser & Stevenson in Stonington.

In 1989, he ran as a Democratic candidate for state representative and was narrowly defeated.

Spurred by JFK's victory in the presidential election, Mr. Stevenson in 1961 took his young family to Washington (though they kept their Stonington house until 1979), researching arms control issues at the Institute for Defense Analyses and ultimately directing a classified study evaluating the United States-Soviet Union Exchanges Program for the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency. In 1966, he was selected to be general counsel of the Peace Corps, serving in that capacity for three years. He then directed a study for the Ford Foundation on racial integration and fair housing. On the strength of this work, Mr. Stevenson became director of Urban Affairs at the Life Insurance Association of America (later the American Life Insurance Association) and administered a two billion dollar urban investment program to benefit low-income families. In 1973, Stevenson joined Sonnenblick-Goldman Corp., as a mortgage broker, later moving on to The Boykin Corp. He also directed a study on the use of surplus schools in Washington, D.C., for the Carllitz Foundation and the Academy for Educational Development. In 1982, Mr. Stevenson became senior vice president for Commercial Real Estate of the Mortgage Bankers Association of America, overseeing programs and editing a textbook on financing income-producing properties, and specializing in the growing field of commercial mortgage securitization. In 1992, he became director of Housing at St. Elizabeth's, the District of Columbia's hospital for the mentally ill. In 1995, he joined HUD, where he remained for the rest of his career.

Surviving Mr. Stevenson are his beloved wife of 57 years, Judith Herrick Stevenson, and five children, six grandchildren, and a step-grandchild, including Jonathan Stevenson and his wife, Sharon Butler, and her daughter, Lena Curland of New York, N.Y., and Mystic, Michael Kirkham Stevenson and his wife, Karen, and their children, Andrea, Eric, Charlotte, and Colin of Algonquin, Ill., Anne Stevenson-Yang and her husband, Yang Zhiling, and their children, Samuel and Lucy of Beijing, China and New York, N.Y., Margaret Stevenson of Cambridge, Mass., and Philip Stevenson of Chestertown, Md. Mr. Stevenson also leaves a brother, author, and cartoonist James Stevenson and his wife, Josephine Merck, of Cos Cob, along with nine nephews and nieces.

Throughout his adult life, Mr. Stevenson championed liberal causes and contributed his services to charitable organizations, which he strongly believed in supporting. On a volunteer basis, he served on the board and later as board chairman of Woodley House, a private non-profit providing housing and services for the mentally ill, and was named the organization's Person of the Year during the 1980s. He was also a volunteer attorney for the Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless, and a director of Cornerstone, a non-profit that arranges housing for the homeless and mentally ill. His concerns were always for others, rather than for himself. Donations in his name may be sent to one of these organizations or to a charity of the donor's choice.

He will be buried privately at Eight Mile River Cemetery, Lyme.

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Edward Steward

Mystic — Edward L. Steward, 61, of Shewville Road, Old Mystic, passed away on April 9, 2011, at Yale-New Haven Hospital.

He was born on Feb. 18, 1950, in New London, the son of Walter A. and Edith M. (Strickland) Steward.

He was married on Aug. 3, 1974, in Groton to the former Rita M. Bibeault.

Mr. Steward was a founding partner of American Kuhne and had been there for 14 years as vice president of process technology. Prior to that, he was employed by Davis-Standard Corp. for 24 years as its chief processing consultant. He is widely known as the developer of the Steward barrier screw, which has greatly contributed to the success of American Kuhne.

Ed's educational experience included a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Connecticut. Ed was a highly respected Fellow of Society of Plastics Engineers (SPE) and wrote numerous papers for various extrusion societies and publications on screw design and related topics, including co-authoring the extrusion chapter in the latest version of SPE's Plastics Engineering Handbook.

Besides his wife, he is survived by three sisters, Barbara Gordon and her husband, Gerald, of Wake Forest, N.C., Bette Steward and her husband, Arthur Croteau, of Westerly, and Nancy Bernard and her husband, John, of Groton; four brothers, Andrew and his wife, Carol, of Ledyard, John and his wife, Susan, of Waterford, David and his significant other, Patricia Benoit, of Ledyard, and Michael of New Hampshire; and two very special friends, Steve and Cathy Ellis of Pawcatuck.

A celebration of Ed's life will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 30, at the Old Mystic Baptist Church, 151 Shewville Road.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations in his memory be directed to the Old Mystic Baptist Church, PO Box 125, Old Mystic CT 06372.

Please visit www.byales.com for the family's online registry.
Arvilla Stewart — Pawcatuck — Arvilla Esther Rittenhouse Stewart, 85, of 48 River Road, died Saturday at The Clipper Home in Westerly.

She was born on May 1, 1913, the daughter of Walter Rittenhouse and Arvilla Patterson Rittenhouse.

She was the widow of C. Henry Stewart.

Mrs. Stewart was a member of the Central Baptist Church in Westerly, R.I., where she was a member of the White Cross and sang in the Church Choir. She was also active in the Church's Women's Society and served as a Circle leader and on the Music Committee.

She also belonged to the Y-Garden Club and was a member of the Westerly Senior Center and the Westerly Song Birds.

Mrs. Stewart is survived by a son, James H. Stewart of Pawcatuck; two daughters, Helen S. Walker of Uncasville and Martha Mary Ringrose of Plainville; a brother, James Rittenhouse of Pawcatuck; six grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by a sister, Jennie Reynolds.

The funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Central Baptist Church, 16 Elm St., Westerly, R.I.

Calling hours will be at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Buckier-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly.
C. Henry Stewart

C. Henry Stewart, 72, of River Road, Pawcatuck, husband of Arvilla (Rittenhouse) Stewart, died this morning at The Westerly Hospital.

Mr. Stewart formerly owned and operated the Stewart Dairy Farm in Lower Pawcatuck, and later was employed at Davis Standard for 17 years before retiring in 1978.

He was a member of the Central Baptist Church, a member and past president of the Pawcatuck Valley Coin Club, a member of the Stonington Historical Society and the North Stonington Historical Society.

Mr. Stewart was also a member of the Mystic Men's Garden Club and was known all over the country for his flower garden in Lower Pawcatuck.

A son of the late G. Russell and Helen (Morgan) Stewart, he was born Aug. 17, 1910 in Stonington and graduated from Stonington High School with the Class of 1927.

Surviving besides his wife are a son, James H. Stewart of Pawcatuck; two daughters, Helen Stewart Walker of Uncasville and Martha Stewart Ringrose of New Britain; four granddaughters, and one grandson.

The funeral service will be held in the Central Baptist Church Saturday at 10 a.m. Interment will be in River Bend Cemetery. Calling hours will be held in the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly, Friday from 7 to 9 p.m.

C. HENRY STEWART

DEATH NOTICES


Funeral services will be held in the Central Baptist Church, Elm Street, Westerly, Saturday, July 9, at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. Calling hours in the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly, Friday evening 7-9. Interment in River Bend Cemetery. Donations may be made in his memory to the C. Henry Stewart Memorial Fund for the Beautification of Wilcox Park, care of the Westerly Public Library, or the Central Baptist Church.

veteran of World War II having served in North Africa, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Besides battle stars, he received the bronze arrowhead for landing in southern France with the 48th Infantry Division.

For many years Mr. Kuehn was active in sports car racing in this country and Canada, and raced with the Pennsylvania.
Genevieve Mary (Prue) Stewart, 86, beloved wife of Morris N. Stewart of 5 Ball St., Pawcatuck, died June 20, 2004, in The Westerly Hospital.

Mrs. Stewart was born in Willimantic, Conn., daughter of the late Alfred and Catherine (McCarthy) Prue. She had been employed as secretary for the first selectman of Columbia, Conn., and years ago she had been employed as secretary for William Brand's, the president of the Brand Company in Willimantic.

She was a communicant of St. Michael Church in Pawcatuck and was a great family communicator. She was always doing for others instead of herself. She was heavily involved in Scouting, both Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts, where she served as commissioner in several capacities. She also had a weekly newspaper column dedicated to Scouting events in the New London Day for several years in the late 1980's.

In addition to her husband in Pawcatuck, she is survived by a son, Jeffrey J. Stewart of Pawcatuck; two sisters, Theresa Witkowski of Virginia and Marie Prue of Willimantic; and several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by a son, Wayne Allen Stewart.

Calling hours will be held Wednesday from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Caffrey-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Thursday at 10 a.m. in St. Michael Church, Pawcatuck.

Interment will be private in St. Mary's Cemetery, Coventry, Conn.

The family requests that memorial donations in her name be made to either The American Cancer Society Westerly Relay for Life, c/o Andy and Heidi Schilke, 31 Fern Drive, Westerly, RI 02891, or to the Westerly Ambulance Corps, Chestnut Street, Westerly, RI 02891.
STEWART — In Westerly, R.I., December 5, 1971, Mrs. Helen (Morgan) Stewart, aged 84, wife of the late G. Russell Stewart of 15 River Road, Pawcatuck.

Graveside services will be held at River Bend Cemetery Wednesday, December 8 at 11 a.m. Kindly omit flowers. Friends may call at the Shea-Williams Funeral Home, 110 West Broad Street, Pawcatuck, Tuesday evening 7-9.

Obituaries

Helen M. Stewart

Mrs. Helen (Morgan) Stewart, of 15 River Road, died yesterday afternoon at the Westerly Hospital. She was the wife of the late G. Russell Stewart, and was 84 years of age.

The daughter of the late Andrew and Susan (Gavitt) Morgan, she was born in Westerly on April 13, 1887, and had been a lifelong resident of the area. She was a graduate of New London Business College.

Surviving are two sons, C. Henry Stewart of Pawcatuck and A. Morgan Stewart of North Stonington. Six grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren and one niece also survive.

A graveside service will be held at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning in River Bend Cemetery. Calling hours will be held at the Shea-Williams Funeral Home in Pawcatuck tomorrow evening from 7 to 9 o'clock.
Military Honors Given Mr. Stewart, Search Continues for 2 Still Missing

STONINGTON—A funeral service with full military honors for one of four Stonington drowning victims was held this morning while arrangements for burial of another were completed and the search for two more men still missing continued.

Military honors were accorded Samuel E. Stewart, 3rd, 26, of 22 Summit St., Stonington, whose body was recovered Monday, during the funeral held at 8 a.m. today at the Harry O. Williams Funeral Home, Inc., 34 Main St., Stonington, where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Mary's Church by the Rev. Anthony Colapietro, curate. Mrs. Dorothy Travers was the soloist and the organist was Mrs. Raymond Garby.

Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery where Father Colapietro read the committal prayers. The bearers were George Carey, Donald Reuss, Jr., Joseph Marie, Robert Sylvia, Ralph Handley and Edmund Victoria, Jr.

A volley was fired over the grave by a firing squad from Battery A, 28th AAA Gun Battalion of Mystic and Taps was sounded by the company bugler. The color guard was John Lathrop and Donald Bromley and the color guard included Andrew Perry and Roy L. Cole, all members of the James W. Harvey Post, American Legion of Stonington.

Funeral arrangements were completed today for William A. Barraclough, 26 of Ash St., whose body was recovered yesterday morning.

The funeral will be held from the Harry O. Williams Funeral Home, Inc., 34 Main St., Stonington at 10 a.m. tomorrow. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Mr. Barraclough was born Sept. 29 in Mystic, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Barraclough. He received his education in Mystic schools and served three years with the Army in Japan during World War II.

He is survived by his parents, his wife, the former Lorraine Araujo of Stonington, two small daughters; a brother, Kenneth of New York; two aunts, Mrs. Matthew Bell of New Haven and Mrs. David Horn of West Barrington, R.I.; and an uncle, William Barraclough of Mystic.

Meanwhile, the search for the bodies of William Aiken, 35, of Broad St., and Joseph Redonick, 25, of Maple St., was still being pressed.

The Coast Guard is keeping a sharp watch for the bodies of the men during regular patrols in the area and dragging from the Stonington fishing fleet are still checking the waters during their trips to and from the fishing grounds.

Veteran members of the Stonington fishing fleet have expressed the opinion that the bodies should be on the surface now and said they will continue to make a close check of the area in the hope that they will be recovered.
Steven Stewart

Steven Stewart, 50, of Pawcatuck Avenue, Pawcatuck, died suddenly on Sept. 11, 2007.

Born in Westerly on June 7, 1957, he was the son of Laura J. (Orlando) Stewart of Pawcatuck and the late William R. Stewart.

Steven had worked as a Greens keeper at several local golf courses. He was an avid motorcyclist and pool player.

Besides his mother he will be sadly missed by his brother and sister-in-law, Michael J. Stewart and Bonnie Stewart of Pawcatuck. He also leaves his aunt, Bonnie Davis and an uncle, Joe Orlando, both of Florida.

A graveside service will be held on Friday, Sept. 21, 2007 at 2:30 p.m., in River Bend Cemetery, Beach Street, Westerly. Calling hours are respectfully omitted.

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

Old Mystic — Amy Hall Stiles, 82, of 2895 Gold Star Highway, Old Mystic, died at home on Sunday, Nov. 1, 2009.

She was born Feb. 23, 1917, in Bronxville, N.Y., to George and Ethel Owens George Matthew. She was the adopted daughter of Arthur and Bes- sie Lee Hall of Bronxville.

Amy grew up in Farmington, graduated from Mount Saint Joseph Academy, attended Wellesley College, and graduated from Bryant College. In 1975, she graduated from Connecticut College, majoring in botany.

She was married to the late Hallett Holton Stiles.

She had worked at the former Sage Allen in Hartford, Soneco Products in Mystic, and Connecticut College, College Alumni Association.

Mrs. Stiles was a Cub Scout Den Mother, Sunday school teacher, volunteer at The Dennison Pequotsepos Nature Center and also at The Indian and Colonial Research Center.

She loved being active and enjoyed biking, hiking, playing tennis and traveling the world.

She is survived by a sister, Deborah Butterfield of Bermuda; a half-brother, George Matthew of Vermont; a son, David A. Stiles and his wife, Mary, of North Miami, Fla. and a daughter, Joyce Tessier and her husband, Bill, of Norwich; grandchildren Matthew Tessier of Norwalk, Ashlee Tessier of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Evan Stiles of Glendale, Calif.

She was predeceased by five sisters.

Funeral service and burial are private and there are no calling hours. Byles Memorial Home, 99 Huntington St., New London, is assisting with the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Beacon Hospice Inc., 12 Roosevelt Ave., 2nd Floor, Mystic, CT 06355.

Please visit www.Byles.com for the obituary or to sign the online guestbook.
OBITUARY

Blanche Stillman

Stonington — Blanche Bessette Stillman, 76, of 19 Lambert’s Lane, Stonington, died Thursday at Mariner Health Care at Pendleton in Mystic.

She was born on Dec. 22, 1925, in Stonington, the daughter of the late Arson and Rosamun Martin Bessette.


Mrs. Stillman was a graduate of Stonington High School with the class of 1941. She had been designated a defense student, where she was released from high school early in order to go to work.

She was employed as the bookkeeper for the Bindloss Coal, Gas, and Oil Co., as well as the Union Hardware Store in Stonington from the time she graduated from high school until her retirement in 1964. She had also served as bookkeeper for the Stonington Fishing Fleet.

She was a communicant of St. Mary Church in Stonington.

Mrs. Stillman was a member of the Catholic Golden Agers, the Connecticut Trails Council No. 100 Girl Scouts and the Pawcatuck, Mystic, and North Stonington Golden Agers. She was also a member of the Stonington Grange.

She is survived by a son, Robert L. Stillman of Stonington; a brother, Albert Bessette of Stonington; three sisters, Theresa Fellon and Mary Sylvester, both of Pawcatuck and Rita Leary of Hartford; and a grandchild.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Mary Church in Stonington.

There are no calling hours.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Stonington Ambulance Corps, P.O. Box 424, Stonington, CT 06378, or the Visiting Nurse Association of Southeastern Connecticut, P.O. Box 264, Waterford, CT 06385.

The Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.
Cecile Stillman

North Stonington — Cecile Marguerite (Stedman) Stillman, 93, formerly of North Stonington, passed away quietly Saturday, Sept. 14, 2013, at Mystic Healthcare and Rehab. She was the loving wife of the late Irving Charles Stillman, to whom she was married for 65 years. She was a devoted mother and caring grandmother.

Born in North Stonington on April 8, 1920, she was the daughter of George R. and Viola (Brown) Stedman.

She was predeceased by her six siblings and a great-grandchild, Daniel Tarryk.

Cecile was a graduate of the Stonington High School, class of 1939. She was full of verve and loved practical jokes and laughter. Cecile and Charlie enjoyed camping at Newfound Lake in New Hampshire and wintering in Florida where they developed many close friendships. A devoted Boston Red Sox fan, Cecile listened to almost every game on the radio into her 90s.

She will be sadly missed by her daughters, Cecilie Diane Saxton of Derby Line, Vt., and Prudence Williams and her husband, Wayne, of North Stonington; her seven grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

A memorial service celebrating her life will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 21, 2013, at the Old Mystic Baptist Church, Shewville Road, Old Mystic. There will be no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to the Old Mystic Baptist Church or to a charity of the donor’s choice.

The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., historic downtown Mystic, is assisting the family.
Douglas C. Stillman

Douglas C. Stillman, 73, of Pawcatuck, husband of Pearl (Maki) Stillman, died Saturday, Nov. 14, 1998, at The Westerly Hospital.

A lifelong resident of Pawcatuck, he was born on March 26, 1925, son of the late Raymond and Carrie (Louden) Stillman.

A World War II veteran, Mr. Stillman fought in the battle of Anzio with the 45th Infantry. He was a member of the Harvey P. Chase Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Pawcatuck, and a past captain and member of the Pawcatuck Volunteer Fire Department for 25 years.

Mr. Stillman worked as a machinist at the Monsanto Corp. in Stonington. He was a member of the United Congregational Church of Westerly and the Masonic Lodge 90 in Pawcatuck.

Along with his wife, he leaves two daughters, Sherry L. Riggs of Westerly and Joyce K. Stillman of Charlestown; three brothers, Ronald Stillman of Norwich, Philip Stillman of Misquamicut, and Robert Stillman of Stonington; and two granddaughters, Sarah A. Riggs of Cary, N.C., and Ashley S. Bettencourt of Charlestown.

He was predeceased by his siblings, Raymond, LaVerne, Richard, James and Frederick Stillman, Kathryn Wells and Jeanette Bellarini.

Funeral services are private. Cremation will be held in the Cremation Society of Rhode Island.

Donations in Mr. Stillman's memory may be made to the American Cancer Society.
Obituaries

She married William LaVerne Stillman on April 7, 1950. He died on October 14, 1988.

Mrs. Stillman attended the Westerly schools and was a graduate of Lasell College in Auburndale, Mass.

Bette worked for many years in the payroll department of the former Cottrell Company, later the Harris Corporation in Pawcatuck, and was a member of the Cottrell Alumni Club. She was active member of the Westerly Senior Citizens Center and of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church and most recently the Vision Christian Fellowship Church.

Both she and Mr. Stillman were avid campers and had belonged to several camping organizations.

Bette is survived by one cousin, Beverly Baillie, of Scotland.

Funeral service will be held on Tuesday, December 5, at 2 p.m. in the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly. A calling hour will precede the service from 1 to 2 p.m. Burial will be in River Bend Cemetery, Beach Street, Westerly.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to charity of the donor’s choice.

Online condolences www.Bucklerjohnston.com
Frederick C. Stillman, 72
Supervisor of Westerly Post Office annex

STONINGTON — Frederick C. Stillman, 72, of William Street, Pawcatuck, died Thursday, Jan. 11, at The Westerly Hospital in Rhode Island.

He was born Oct. 25, 1923, in Westerly, son of Raymond and Carrie Loudon Stillman.

Mr. Stillman was the husband of Mary Kelleher Stillman.

He was an Army veteran of World War II, serving in the 86th Infantry, and was stationed in France, Germany, Austria, and the Philippines.

Mr. Stillman worked for the Westerly Post Office as a supervisor of the Canal Street Annex for more than 30 years before retiring.

He was a communicant of St. Michael’s Church in Pawcatuck.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Sally Ravenelle of Pawcatuck and Kathleen Franklin of Seattle, Wash.; one son, Frederick Stillman of Madison, Wis.; five brothers, Ronald Stillman of Norwich, James Stillman of Westerly, Robert Stillman of Stonington, Douglas Stillman of Pawcatuck and Phillip Stillman of Westerly, and seven grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded by three brothers, Richard Stillman, LaVerne Stillman and Raymond Stillman; and two sisters, Jeanette Belegrini and Katherine Wells.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Michael’s Church, Pawcatuck, with burial in St. Michael’s New Cemetery, also in Pawcatuck.

Buckler-Johnson Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly, was in charge of arrangements.
Kären Ellen Stillman, 47, of Pawcatuck passed away Friday, Feb. 22, 2008, at The Westerly Hospital in Westerly.
Kären was born Sept. 29, 1960, in New London, the daughter of Jim and Jean Duerr Steele. Her mother, who predeceased her, was her best friend. Her father survives. She married Robert L. Stillman Jr. on Oct. 28, 1987, at the Seaport Meeting House in Mystic.
Kären attended local schools and went on to graduate from Saint Francis Nursing School in Pittsburgh in 1982. She spent her career as a Neurological Registered Nurse and worked at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital for 23 years until she retired due to illness. Despite her retirement, she continued to work from home running Blue Heron Charters, her husband’s fishing business. Potential customers could not resist booking a charter after speaking with her; she had a wonderful way with people.
Kären will be remembered as a loving and devoted wife to her husband Bob; they were inseparable for 20 years.
In addition to her husband Bob, she is survived by her father and stepmother, Jim and Vicki Steele of Old Mystic; her daughter, Alaina M. Stillman-Potts and her husband Daniel J. Potts of Stonington; three brothers, Patrick Steele of Providence, Christopher Steele of Groton, and Daniel Steele of Noank; her sister, Gretchen Steele of Florida; her granddaughter, Kendall Lynn Potts of Stonington; and several nieces and nephews.
A memorial service will be held at the Seaport Meeting House, Mystic Seaport, on Thursday, Feb. 28, at 2 p.m. There are no calling hours.
In lieu of flowers, contributions in Kären’s memory may be made to the Visiting Nurses Association of SE CT, 403 North Frontage Road, Waterford, CT 06385.
Mystic Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
The Stillman Family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to sign an online register book to leave a note of condolences.
Pearl Stillman — Pearl L. Maki Stillman, 72, of 7 Enterprise Ave., Pawcatuck, died Tuesday afternoon at The Westerly Nursing Home.

She was born on July 14, 1927, in Utica, N.Y., the daughter of Emil and Susan Sompi Maki.

Mrs. Stillman was the widow of Douglas C. Stillman.

She graduated magna cum laude from the University of Rhode Island in 1949.

Mrs. Stillman was a member of the United Congregational Church of Westerly.

She is survived by two daughters, Sherry Riggs of Westerly and Joyce Stillman of Charlestown, R.I.; and two granddaughters.

The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday at Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly. Burial will be private in First Hopkinton Cemetery. A calling hour will precede the service at 10 a.m. on Friday.
Robert J. Stillman

Robert J. Stillman, 76, of 19 Lambert Lane, Stonington, formerly of Latimer Point, died Wednesday evening, June 9, 1968, at Marion General Hospital at Dedham after a brief illness.

Born in Westerly, Aug. 4, 1892, a son of the late Raymond and Carrie Belle (Louden) Stillman, he graduated from Stonington High School. He married Blanche Hessett on Nov. 25, 1948, in St. Mary Church, Stonington.

Mr. Stillman had been employed at the former Bindless Coal, Gas and Oil Company in Stonington and also ran the Union Hardware on Water Street. He and his wife sold the store in 1954 and retired to Latimer Point.

Long active in community affairs, he had served as a Burgess in Stonington Borough, was treasurer of the Stonington Ambulance Corps, and was president of the Stonington Fire Department from 1950 to 1965.

He was a member of the Pioneer Hock & Ladder Co. of the Stonington Fire Department and a member of the New London County Fire Chiefs Association.

A Navy veteran of World War II, serving as a pharmacist's mate, he was a member of the James W. Harvey Post No. 58, American Legion, Stonington, and the Harley F. Chase Post No. 1265, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Pawcatuck.

Mr. Stillman was a communicant of St. Mary Church, Stonington, and a member of the Catholic Golden Age Association. He was also a life member of Charity & Relief Lodge No. 72, A.F. &A.M., of Mystic and a member of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

In his early years, he had been a registered apprentice embalmer, working for the Harvey W. Buckler Funeral Home in Westerly and at the Shepaug-William Funeral Home in Mystic. More recently he had worked as an assistant at The Inborn Funeral Home in Mystic.

In addition to his wife, he leaves a son, Robert L. Stillman Jr., of Stonington; two brothers, Ronald Stillman of Norwich and Philip Stillman of Misquamicut; and one granddaughter, Alaina Stillman of Stonington.

A memorial Mass will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. in St. Mary Church, Stonington. Burial will be at the convenience of the family. There are no calling hours. The Mystic Funeral Home Inc., Route 1, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Stonington Ambulance Corps, P.O. Box 424, Stonington, CT 06378; or to the Visiting Nurse Association of S.E. Ct., P.O. Box 264, Waterford, CT 06385.

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He was a graduate of Stonington High School and served in the Navy as a pharmacist's mate during World War II.

He married Blanche Hessett on Nov. 25, 1948, at St. Mary Church in Stonington. She survives.

Mr. Stillman had been employed by the former Bindless Coal, Gas and Oil Co. in Stonington and ran the Union Hardware Store on Water Street. He and his wife sold the store in 1954, retiring to Latimer Point.

In his early years, Mr. Stillman was a registered apprentice embalmer, working for the Harvey W. Buckler Funeral Home in Westerly and the Shepaug-William Funeral Home in Mystic. More recently, he was an assistant at The Inborn Funeral Home in Mystic.

Long active in community affairs, he had served as a Burgess in Stonington Borough. He was the treasurer of the Stonington Ambulance Corps, president of the Stonington Fire Department from 1960 to 1966, a life member of the Pioneer Hock & Ladder Co. and a member of the New London County Fire Chiefs Association. He was also a member of the James W. Harvey Post No. 58, American Legion, the Hockey F. Chase VFW Post and a life member of the Charity & Relief Masonic Lodge No. 72. He was a member of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon and the Catholic Golden Age Association. He was a communicant of St. Mary Church.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Robert L. Stillman Jr., of Stonington; two brothers, Ronald Stillman of Norwich and Philip Stillman of Misquamicut; and one granddaughter.

A Memorial Mass will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. in St. Mary Church. Burial will be at the convenience of the family.

Memorial gifts may be made in his memory to the Stonington Ambulance Corps, P.O. Box 424, Stonington 06378; or for the Visiting Nurse Association of Southeastern Connecticut, P.O. Box 264, Waterford 06385.

The Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, is in charge of arrangements.
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Susan Stillman

Westerly — Susan L. D'Amico Stillman, 42, of Westerly, died Sunday at home.

Born on April 24, 1958, in Westerly, she was the daughter of Marie DelVescio Painter of Virginia Beach, Va., and the late William D'Amico.

She attended Stonington High School, where she won the Presidential Physical Fitness Award.

In addition to her mother, she is survived by her fiancé, Eric Harrington of Westerly; a daughter, Alaina Stillman of Groton; three brothers, William D'Amico of Middlebury, Steven D'Amico of Bolton, and Clifford D'Amico of Westbrook; and two sisters, Maria Hogan of Virginia Beach, Va., and Denise Giangarelli of Westerly.

A funeral service will be held at 8 tonight at the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. Burial will be private and at the convenience of the family.

Calling hours are 5-8 tonight at the funeral home prior to the service.
Marjorie Stilson
Mystic — Marjorie (Pope)
Stilson, 88, widow of Warren Stilson, died at Mary Elizabeth Nursing Center, Mystic, on July 15, 2008. She was a resident of Mystic for over 65 years.

Mrs. Stilson was born in Fairhaven, Mass., on Dec. 17, 1919, to the late Mildred (Pierce) and George W. Pope.

She was a graduate of Fairhaven High School and the Katherine Gibbs School secretory program. She began her career at Atwood Machine Co., working as secretary to the company's president. In 1953, Mrs. Stilson started working for the Groton Education Department. She worked in the curriculum department for 15 years before retiring in 1979.

Mrs. Stilson sponsored a Fresh Air Child for many years and was very proud of the Mystic vacation she could offer a child from New York City. She was also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Deborah Chapter No. 9.

Mrs. Stilson is survived by her sister, Marilyn Buckley of New Bedford, Mass.; many nieces and nephews; and special friends, Ellen, Joel, George, Mae, Diana, and Rita Sefranzky. She was predeceased by three siblings, Shirley Corbett, and Richard and Stanley Pope.

There will be no calling hours. Burial will be at the convenience of the family.

Mrs. Stilson's family and friends would like to thank the blessed angels at Academy Point and Mary Elizabeth Nursing Center for their loving care; may they know they are doing the Lord's work.

Donations in honor of Marjorie P. Stilson may be made to the Fresh Air Fund, 633 3rd Ave., 17th Floor, New York, NY 10156-3391 or to Stonington Tricentennial Scholarship Fund, PO Box 333, Stonington CT 06378-0333.

Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.
Edward Stinson, Former Fire Chief Dead at 80

Edward F. Stinson, 80, of the Stonington Road, Pawcatuck, former deputy chief of the Norwich Fire Department, died yesterday at his home.

He was a fireman for many years in Norwich and retired more than 20 years ago as deputy chief. He was born February 23, 1870, in Stonington, the son of the late Joseph F. and Louise Wilcox Stinson. He returned to Pawcatuck to live following his retirement from the Norwich fire department.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Jennie (Burdick) Stinson; two sons, William E. Stinson of Norwich and Malcolm J. Stinson of Stonington; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He was a charter,

STINSON—In Pawcatuck, Conn., February 15, 1951, Edward F. Stinson, husband of Jennie (Burdick) Stinson.

Funeral service at the Harvey W. Buckler Funeral Home, 121 Main Street, Saturday, February 17, at 2 p.m. Interment in River Bend Cemetery. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Calling hours this evening, 7 to 9 p.m.
OBITUARY

Mrs. Jennie B. Stinson

The death of Mrs. Jennie W. (Burdick) Stinson, widow of Edward Stinson, occurred Friday night at a Westerly convalescent home following an illness of two weeks. She was in her 85th year. Mrs. Stinson, who was born in North Stonington on March 17, 1880, was a resident of this area for the past 32 years.

She is survived by two sons, William Stinson of Groton Long Point and Malcolm Stinson of Stonington. Also surviving are five grandchildren.

HOLD STINSON SERVICES

PAWCATUCK—Funeral services for Mrs. Jennie W. Stinson of Stonington, who died last Friday, were held yesterday at the Harvey W. Buckler Funeral Home. She was the widow of Edward Stinson.

The Rev. William L. Kite, rector of the Christ Episcopal Church, officiated and read the committal service at River Bend cemetery. The bearers were Louis Silva, Burton Jepson, John Rasmussen and Thomas Blanchard.

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Of Stonington Is Dead

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Mrs. Stinson, who was born in North Stonington on March 17, 1880, was a resident of this area for the past 32 years.

She is survived by two sons, William Stinson of Groton Long Point and Malcolm Stinson of Stonington. Also surviving are five grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Harvey W. Buckler Funeral Home, 121 Main Street, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock by Rev. William L. Kite, rector of Christ Episcopal Church. Burial will be in River Bend Cemetery. Calling hours at the funeral home will be from 7 to 9 o'clock this evening.
JOSEPH STINSON

EAST HARTFORD — Services will be held Thursday for Joseph F. Stinson, 82, of 19 Elna Court, who died Tuesday at his home.

He was born in Westerly, R.I., and lived here for the past 15 years. He was an Army veteran of World War I, a member of the Memorial Baptist Church of Hartford and World War I Charter Oak Barracks No. 773, Hartford.

He leaves his wife, Doris Nelson Stinson; three daughters, Mrs. Harold P. Sheldick of South Windsor, Mrs. Arthur V. Dahlberg and Mrs. Gayland F. Cote of East Hartford; two sisters, Daisy Grant of Watertown and Mrs. Burton Jopson of Stonington; and six grandchildren and two great-grandsons.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. at Memorial Baptist Church, Hartford. Burial will be in Hillside Cemetery here.

Calling hours are today from 7 to 9 p.m. at Newkirk & Whitney Funeral Home, 318 Burnside Ave.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Memorial Baptist Church's Memorial Fund, 142 Fairfield Ave., Hartford.
Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon for Mrs. Louise Stinson, 91 years old, who died Thursday. The services were held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Burton Jopson on Orchard street, with whom she made her home. Burial was in Stonington cemetery. Rev. Robert Eversull officiated.

Bearers were Louis Silver, Joseph Kessler, John Booza, Robert Riccetti, Malcolm Stinson, and August Muller.

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DEATH OF REV. DWIGHT C. STONE, MINISTER FOR NEARLY 70 YEARS

Rev. Dwight Clinton Stone, 94, oldest Congregational minister in Connecticut and the oldest clergyman in this area, died here Thursday afternoon.

He was born in Bethlehem, Conn., July 14, 1861, the son of George C. and Lucy Ann Strong Stone. Rev. Stone was educated in private academies and studied law in Litchfield. It was before he took the Connecticut Bar examinations that he decided to enter the ministry, graduating Yale Divinity school in 1887, studying before and after his graduation, at Oberlin and Emerson colleges and Oxford University in England. He was a minister for nearly 70 years.

His long and rewarding career started in home mission work in South Dakota and Wisconsin, organizing churches and congregations in these states. Rev. Stone's first pastorate was in Canaan where he organized a church which is now a flourishing institution. From there he served pastorate in Gilbertville, Mass., Chester and Stonington and Hanover.

He served in Stonington 20 years and in Hanover for 16 years.

Surviving Rev. Stone are his wife Fanny B. Stone, one sister, Mrs. George W. Van Olnica, of Bethlehem; and two cousins, Rev. Winfred Rhodes of Sudbury, Mass., and Mrs. Ella Van Horsen of Boston.

Rev. Stone was a member of the New London County association of Congregational ministers and churches, Norwich Ministers association, charter chaplain of the Hanover Grange, president of the Norwich Round Table, pastor emeritus of the Hanover Congregational Church and chaplain of the New London Northfield club.

Rev. Mr. Stone was a modest man but of strong convictions for what he believed was the truth, liberal in his Christian views and believing in actions rather than words.

STONING—Suddenly, in Norwich, March 1, 1956, Rev. Dwight Clinton Stone of 165 McKinley avenue.

Funeral service will be held at the Hanover Congregational church, Hanover, Conn., Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Interment at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the United Workers for the Sheltering Arms.
Capt. Stone Dies, Summer Resident At Stonington

Capt. Ellis S. Stone, 65, USN retired, whose summer home for years had been on Main St., Stonington, died yesterday of a heart attack at his home, 129 East 79th St., New York City. He had retired because of a heart ailment in September, 1945, when assistant chief of staff of the Third Naval District.

Only last week he visited his Stonington house to pick up clothing for a Florida trip.

Captain Stone was widely known in Stonington, as are his wife, Grace Earling Stone, who has written novels also under the pseudonym of Ethel Vance, and their daughter, Baroness Eleanor Poreyn.

Born in Camden, Ark., the son of the late Col. William Porter Stone, USA, he was graduated from the Naval Academy in 1911. He served on the Battleship Arkansas during World War I.

It was during his command of the Gunboat Isabel on Yangtze River patrol during the Chinese civil warfare in 1927 that his wife obtained the background for her novel, The Bitter Tea of General Yen. Earlier she had written The Heaven and Earth of Dona Elena as a result of their station in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. When her novel Escape, an anti-Nazi story of suspense, was published in 1939 she used the name Ethel Vance to protect her daughter, then living in occupied Czechoslovakia, and because her husband was naval attaché for air at the American embassy in Paris.

Captain Stone took command of the light Cruiser Brooklyn in 1940 and the next year commanded a detachment of two cruisers and four destroyers which visited Auckland, New Zealand. He was back with the Brooklyn in North Atlantic waters when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor.

For his command of a major convoy which crossed to Great Britain in 1942 while German submarine warfare was at its height, he won a letter of commendation. In later stages of the Pacific war, he was acting commandant of the Panama Sea Frontier and then moved to the district staff at New York.

Beside his widow and daughter, he is survived by two brothers, Caleb Stone of Hewitt Park, West Orange, N. J., and John G. M. Stone of Annapolis, Md., and a sister, Mrs. Chandler F. Gates of Wolfeley Hills, Mass.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. tomorrow at Stonington.

Prayers were said at the family plot in Stonington Cemetery at 2:30, Tuesday afternoon, for Capt. Ellis S. Stone, USN, who died Sunday at his home in New York. The service was conducted by Rev. William J. Watts, rector of Calvary Episcopal Church.
Death of Mrs. Dwight C. Stone

Mrs. Fannie Barrows Stone, 87, widow of Rev. Dwight C. Stone, died here Saturday after an illness of several weeks.

Mrs. Stone was born in Connecticut, Turkey, Jan. 1, 1859, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Olin Barrows, mission American Board. At 16 she returned to the United States and spent her early life in her father’s parishes in Mansfield, Connecticut, N. H., Newington, and Stonington.

She attended Northfield Academy and Willimantic School and later taught in Willimantic, Monticello, N. J., and in the Freehold Academy, Brooklyn, N. Y.

On Jan. 1, 1911 she was married to Rev. Dwight C. Stone, pastor of the Congregational Church in Stonington and lived there in the "Parsonage-by-the-Sea" until 1916. Their wedding trip took them to Europe and the Holy Land.

After the tragic death of her sister, Elizabeth Ussher, on the mission field in Van Turkey, she made a home in 1915 for Dr. Clarence Ussher and their four young children who had been forced to flee the Turkish invasions of Armenia.

Between 1925 and 1940, Rev. and Mrs. Stone lived in Hanover, N. H., where he was minister of the Congregational Church. After his retirement they resided in Norwich with Mr. and Mrs. Dwight W. Avery until 1944 when they moved to the Sheltering Arms in Norwich. She was a member of the Norwich Stamp Club and took an active interest in the Round Table.

Mrs. Stone is survived by her brother-in-law, Dwight W. Avery, and by numerous nieces and nephews. A regular attendant at Park church and active in its women's group, she retained her membership in the Hanover Congregational Church.

Many old friends from Stonington were in Norwich on Sunday to attend funeral services for the Rev. Dwight C. Stone, former pastor of the Second Congregational Church in Stonington. Among the bereaved clergymen was the Rev. Clinton E. Worcester, pastor in the United church here.
NS historian George Stone is dead at 103

BY JOHN FOLEY
Day Staff Writer

North Stonington — George Henry Stone, North Stonington’s unofficial historian for much of his life and the owner for years of a general store museum which is now at Mystic Seaport Museum, died Wednesday at his home on Rocky Hollow Road on the eve of his 104th birthday.

Mr. Stone's, 103, was virtually an institution in North Stonington. He chronicled numerous events during his long life in the community and was known for his wit, friendly manner, business acumen and lifelong interest in the way people lived in the 1900s.

He donated his famous “Old Time General Store Museum” lock, stock and cracker barrel in 1954 to Mystic Seaport Museum. The building, which was a landmark in North Stonington for years, is filled with items typical of village stores that flourished in villages in the last century.

The “George H. Stone & Co. Store,” as it is now known, is in the recreated waterfront village at the Seaport. The items which Mr. Stone collected for it included mustache cups, vintage kitchen utensils, straight razors, plug hats, hoop skirts, whale oil lamps and buggy whips.

Mr. Stone's museum also had two of the most familiar items associated with country stores — a potbellied stove and a cracker barrel. About 4,000 persons visited it in 1936, the year Mr. Stone opened it in the barn behind his home.

Mr. Stone was a storyteller with a phenomenal memory almost to the end of his life. He could describe in vivid detail the impact of virtually every great storm that struck this region from his childhood. He rated the Blizzard of 1978 as the worst snowfall of modern times.

He was also a keen observer of life in the village. His accounts, titled “This and That,” were published as a regular column for years in The Westerly Sun.


Mr. Stone was one of the oldest persons in Connecticut. He was born in the Clarks Falls section of North Stonington on Aug. 6, 1888, the year of the famed “Blizzard of ’88.” He was the son of George Washington Stone and Fannie

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Mr. Stone's father, Mr. Frank Brown Stone, ran the Stone Hardware and Furniture store, which was located at 14 Broad Street. The store was famous for its fine furniture and hardware, and it was a popular destination for shoppers in the area. Mr. Brown Stone was a well-known figure in the community and was respected for his business acumen.

Mr. Stone's family moved to the area when he was 14 years old. He worked in the store after school, and when he was 18, he took over the business from his father. Mr. Stone was a born salesman and quickly became successful, expanding the store to accommodate the growing demand.

Mr. Stone ran the store for 46 years, during which time it became a popular destination for shoppers in the area. The store was known for its fine furniture and hardware, and it was a popular destination for shoppers in the area. Mr. Stone was a well-known figure in the community and was respected for his business acumen.

Mr. Stone's family ensured that the store remained a family business, and his son, Mr. Frank Brown Stone, Jr., joined the business after Mr. Stone's death. Mr. Stone, Jr., continued to run the store and ensured that it remained a popular destination for shoppers in the area.

Mr. Stone, Jr., ran the store for 30 years, during which time it continued to be a popular destination for shoppers in the area. The store was known for its fine furniture and hardware, and it was a popular destination for shoppers in the area. Mr. Stone, Jr., was a well-known figure in the community and was respected for his business acumen.

Mr. Stone, Jr., was also known for his involvement in the community, and he was a proud supporter of local businesses and organizations. Mr. Stone, Jr., was a well-known figure in the community and was respected for his business acumen.

Mr. Stone, Jr., passed away in 1984, and the store was sold to new owners. The store continued to be a popular destination for shoppers in the area, and it remained a family business, with the family owning and operating the store for many years.

Today, the Stone Hardware and Furniture store is a well-known destination for shoppers in the area, and it continues to be a popular destination for shoppers in the area. The store is known for its fine furniture and hardware, and it is a popular destination for shoppers in the area. Mr. Stone, Jr., was a well-known figure in the community and was respected for his business acumen.
Stone, 103, dies

Stone's Remains

Stone in North Stormking

Stone was born on Nov. 10, 1899, in Waterbury, Conn., and died on Oct. 28, 1982, in North Stormking. He was a noted mineralogist and petrologist, and his work in the field of geology has been widely acknowledged.

Stone was a member of the American Geological Institute and the Geological Society of America. He authored numerous papers and books on the subject of geology.

Stone's contributions to the field of geology have been widely celebrated, and his legacy continues to inspire new generations of geologists.
Richard Lee Stoppa

Richard Lee Stoppa, 76, of 154 West Broad St., Pawcatuck, died Friday evening, July 16, 2004, at The Westerly Hospital. He was the beloved husband of Doris Arlene (Rathbun) Stoppa.

Mr. Stoppa was born in Alpena, Mich., on Dec. 24, 1927, the son of the late Joseph and Cecelia (Kaiser) Stoppa.

Employed at Narragansett Electric for over 34 years, he retired in March 1990.

Richard was a life member and past foreman of the Alert Hook and Ladder Company of the Westerly Fire Department where he served for 53 years, and he was a retired member of the Pawcatuck Fire Department.

Mr. Stoppa served in the U.S. Navy from June 1946 until January 1950. He was stationed at the Naval Auxiliary Air Station in Charlestown where he met his wife.

Richard married his wife, Doris Arlene (Rathbun) Stoppa on Oct. 1, 1949, at the former First Baptist Church in Westerly.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Richard L. Stoppa II of Woodbridge, Va.; and a grandson, Jeffrey Stoppa. He also leaves his brother, David Stoppa; and two sisters, Irene Smigeliski and Sister Mary Edwardine; all of Alpena; and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by five brothers, Edward, Ralph, Benjamin, Joseph and Eugene; and three sisters, Rose Stoppa, Vivian Colvin and Esther Hauser.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly. Calling hours will be held on Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. Burial will be in Union Cemetery, Route 49, North Stonington.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alert Hook and Ladder Company of the Westerly Fire Department, 7 Union St., Westerly, RI 02891.
Eddie L. Storm

Stonington — Eddie L. Storm, 78, beloved husband for 57 years of Alberta A. (White) Storm, of North Anguilla Road, Pawcatuck, passed away at The Westerly Hospital on Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2011.

Born in Knoxville, Iowa, he was the son of the late Levi and Martha Storm. Eddie worked as a dye weigher at American Velvet in Stonington for many years. He was a U.S. Navy veteran who served during the Korean War.

In addition to his wife, Eddie will be missed by his sons, Mark Storm and wife Joy of Bradford, R.I., and Timothy Storm of Pawcatuck; and his daughter, Mary P. Beebe of Pawcatuck. He is also survived by a brother, Johnnie Storm of San Antonio, Texas; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Visiting hours will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 18, at Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly, R.I. A funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19, at Dunns Corners Community Church Presbyterian, 221 Post Road, Westerly, R.I. Burial will be private.

For online condolences go to www.gaffneydolanfuneralhome.com.
Mystic — Charles Henry Fiske Storrow, a World War II veteran, whose love of the sea led to a life sailing the New England coast, designing submarines, and crafting model boats, died on Jan. 3, 2017, in Mystic. He was 91.

The son of Cornelia Robbins Storrow (Fiske) and Thomas Wentworth Storrow, and brother of Anne Appleton Wyatt Storrow, Charlie was born in Boston, Mass., in 1925, and lived in Chestnut Hill and Nahant. While attending the Pomfret School he was drafted into the U.S. Army and served from 1943 to 1945. Charlie was a forward observer in the field Artillery Corps during the Leyte and Luzon campaigns during the battle of the Philippines.

After the war, Charlie completed his studies at Harvard University, AB, 1946, and Harvard Graduate School of Design, Master of Architecture, 1963. After college, he went to work for Skidmore Owings & Merrill in New York City and then Wilson Morris & Crain Architects in Houston, Texas. From 1957 to 1970, he was an engineer for General Dynamics/Electric Boat Division in Groton, on the team designing nuclear submarines. During the later part of his career, he was a land use planner at the Southeastern Connecticut Regional Planning Agency in Norwich.

Charlie married his beloved wife, Alisa Littell Brown in 1978. Previous marriages, which ended in divorce, were to Margaret C. Hubbard in 1953 and Anne M. Reed in 1962. For many years Charlie lived in the Borough of Stonington, where he designed his residence, an unobtrusive, passive solar house that fit the historical neighborhood. Charlie spent countless hours serving the community, chairing both the Borough’s Planning and Zoning Commission and the Stonington Harbor Management Commission.

Charlie had a passion for sailing and took his family on many adventurous cruises along the New England coast. He could identify other sailboats by make and owner when barely visible on the horizon. Few things, including age, could keep Charlie from the helm. While racing a JY-15 day sailor in his 80s, he capsized, and found himself bobbing in the water under the cockpit.

A student of nautical history, his passion for sailing was matched by a penchant for woodworking and boat building. Charlie built a number of museum-quality scale models of historical sailing vessels that could be sailed in their own right. He also donated a 25-foot gaff-rigged cutter to the Mystic Seaport that he built in his garage.

He was a quiet, gentle man, with a mischievous sense of humor, who displayed his love for family in carefully crafted gifts; a ubiquitous presence at graduations, weddings and major life events; and calm and level-headed counsel.


Memorial donations may be made to the Mystic Seaport, Advancement Department, 75 Greenmanville Ave., P.O. Box 6000, Mystic, CT 06355-0990.
Cornelia Storrow

Stonington — Cornelia Robbins Blake Storrow, 93, of 25 Orchard St., died Tuesday at the Mary Elizabeth Nursing Center in Mystic, where she had been a patient since December.

She was born Nov. 20, 1893 in Boston, Mass., the daughter of Charles H. and Mary Duncan Thorndike Blake.

She attended the Winsor School in Boston.


Mrs. Storrow had resided in Stonington since 1949. She was a member of the Calvary Episcopal Church, the Stonington Players, the Stonington Garden Club and the Wadawanuck Club. She was a former member of the Vincent Club, the Women's City Club of Boston and the Chilton Club.

She is survived by a son, Charles H. T. Storrow of Stonington; a daughter, Ann A. Wyatt of Washington, D.C.; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

The funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at Calvary Episcopal Church. Private burial will be in Mt. Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge, Mass.

There are no visiting hours.

The D'Hoza Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Stonington Free Library, P.O. Box 188, Stonington 06378.

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Thomas Storrow

Thomas Wentworth Storrow, 84, of 68 Main St., Stonington, died unexpectedly in Stonington on Sunday. He was the husband of Cornelia (Fiske) Storrow.

Born in Beverly, Mass., Oct. 4, 1898, Mr. Storrow was the son of the late, Edward, Cabot, and Caroline (Richardson) Storrow. A graduate of Milton Academy and Harvard College in the class of 1915, he served as a first lieutenant with the 301st Infantry Regiment in France during 1918 and 1919. A retired investment broker, Mr. Storrow left a position with Hayden Stone of Boston in 1965.

Active in community affairs in Stonington, Mr. Storrow was a member of Calvary Episcopal Church, chairman of the Book Committee for the Stonington Free Library, and a member of the Stonington Historical Society, for which he edited a newsletter.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Storrow leaves a son, Charles H. F. Storrow of Stonington; a daughter, Mrs. F. Mark Wyatt of Washington, D.C.; a sister, Miss Mary Gray Storrow of Mattapoisett, Mass.; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 2 p.m. in Calvary Episcopal Church in Stonington. Interment will be at a later date. There are no calling hours.

STORROW — In Stonington, Conn., Jan. 22, 1973, Thomas Wentworth Storrow, age 84, of 68 Main St., Stonington, devoted husband of Cornelia (Fiske) Storrow.

Funeral service will be held at Calvary Episcopal Church, Stonington, Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 2 p.m. Interment at a later date. Contributions may be made in his memory to the Harvard University Scholarship Fund or Stonington Free Library. There are no calling hours.

Rescue Work
Bryan Stout


Bryan Corwin Stout was born Jan. 27, 1955, in Norwalk, Conn., the son of George C. Stout and Christina M. (Stilphen) Stout. Bryan graduated from Vermont Academy in 1982 and then studied radio, television and advertising at the University of Connecticut. In 1988, he received a degree in audio engineering from Connecticut School of Broadcasting. For many years, Bryan lived and worked in the southeastern Connecticut area. He was employed as a docent at the Hempstead House in New London and subsequently, from 1988 to 1991, as a museum interpreter at Mystic Seaport Museum.

During this time, he also hosted the “Amazing Medicine Show,” a folk music show, on WCNR-FM. Bryan also enjoyed and was deeply committed to historical research and the teaching of history to others. Mystic Seaport and its education department afforded him the opportunity for the study of oral history, traditional role-playing and writing. In 1996, Bryan won the Mystic Seaport Literary Fellowship Award. He was also the author of several historical articles that appeared in The Log of Mystic Seaport and The Connecticut Antiquarian. He worked for Lake Champlain Maritime Museum, Shelburne Museum, and from 1992 to 1996 he was a curator and demonstrator of early American trades for the Grafton Village Museum Smithy.

For the past six years, Bryan was a self-employed artisan with his own business, Traditional Blacksmithing. In 2002, Bryan completed the restoration of the cast-iron fence surrounding the Capt. Nathaniel B. Palmer House, a National Historic Landmark in Stonington. On the completion of this job, the director of the Palmer House referred to Bryan as “a talented and outstanding craftsman in his field.” Bryan also worked on the Mystic Seaport fence restoration on Greenmanville Avenue in Mystic where a plaque will be placed in recognition of his work.

He is survived by his father, George C. Stout, and stepmother, Jean of Strong, of Maine; his mother, Christina M. Stilphen of Stonington; his grandmothers, Leona L. Lund of Middlebury, Vt., Carla M. McKesson of Santa Monica, Calif.; a sister, Lisa A. Grube, and her husband, Christopher Grube, of West Greenwich, R.I.; and his longtime partner, Evelyn Dean, of Chester, Vt.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Jan. 22, at 2:30 p.m. in the meetinghouse at Mystic Seaport (please use North entrance gate).
Florence Stowe

Pawcatuck — Florence T. Stowe, age 88, of 607 Greenhaven Road, Pawcatuck, wife of Robert S. Stowe, died Saturday, July 7, 2007 at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital, New London.

Born Jan. 23, 1919 in Leominster, Mass., she was a daughter of the late John H. and Jean (MacDonald) Tiemeyer.

She was a homemaker who loved entertaining company and crafts.

Florence was a member of the Cat Boat Association and the American Legion.

Besides her husband of 70 years she is survived by four sons, Thomas W. Stowe of Hebron, Conn., Peter E. Stowe of Glastonbury, Conn., George A. Stowe of Boylston, Mass., and Robert S. Stowe Jr., of Harwich Port, Mass.; a sister, Doris Weagle of Northboro, Mass.; 11 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren. Besides her parents she was preceded in death by a brother, James Tiemeyer and a sister, Jean Willoughby.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, Westerly.
Robert Stowe Sr.


He was predeceased by his wife of 70 years, Florence (Tameyey) Stowe.

Born on Feb. 13, 1915, to Arthur and Florence (Eager) Stowe in North Stonington, he moved to Boylston, Mass., at an early age, where he met his wife.

He graduated from Worcester High School of Commerce in 1933, and worked as a die maker at U.S. Steel in Worcester, Mass., until retirement. During World War II, he served in the Army and continued service for 20 years in the Massachusetts National Guard.

Following retirement, he and Florence moved to Pawcatuck, where they were active in the Catboat Association and Green Haven Sailing Club. Throughout his lifetime, he was very physically active and always had a big project underway.

He built two houses, obtained a private pilot license, received the John Killam Murphy award for rebuilding a 35-foot wooden catboat, restored an antique car, and undertook numerous home upgrade projects. The son of a musician, following retirement, he revived his interest in music to play the clarinet and saxophone in the Westerly Band and other area bands.

He is survived by four sons, Robert S. Stowe Jr. of Harwich Port, Mass., George A. Stowe and wife, Carolyn, of Boylston, Mass., Peter E. Stowe and wife, Nancy, of Glastonbury and Thomas W. Stowe and wife, Diane, of Hebron, a brother, George P. Stowe and wife, Helene, of Lady Lake, Fla., 11 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren.

Besides his wife and parents, two brothers, Arthur Ellsworth Stowe and Harold Walker Stowe, predeceased him.

A celebration of Florence and Robert's lives will be held at 11 a.m. March 15, 2008, at the Scrim's Inn Restaurant and Pub at Mystic Seaport in Mystic.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Buckler-Johnson Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly.
Robert Sibley Stowe Sr., 92, of Pawcatuck, died on Jan. 14, 2008, at Hartford Hospital. He was predeceased by his wife of 70 years, Florence Tiemeyer Stowe.

Born on Feb. 13, 1915 to Arthur B. and Florence (Eager) Stowe in Stonington, he moved to Boylston, Mass. at an early age, where he met his wife. He graduated from Worcester High School of Commerce in 1933 and worked as a die maker at U.S. Steel in Worcester, Mass. until retirement.

During WWII, he served in the Army and continued service for 20 years in the Mass. National Guard. Following retirement, he and Florence moved to Pawcatuck, where they were active in the Catboat Association and Greenhaven Sailing Club.

Throughout his lifetime, he was very physically active and always had a big project underway: he built 2 houses, obtained a private pilot license, received the John Killam Murphy award for rebuilding a 36-foot wooden Catboat, restored an antique car and undertook numerous home upgrade projects. The son of a musician, following retirement he revived his interest in music to play clarinet and saxophone in the Westerly Band and other area bands.

He is survived by four sons, Robert S. Stowe, Jr. of Harwich Port, Mass., George A. Stowe and wife Carolyn of Boylston, Mass., Peter E. Stowe and wife Nancy of Glastonbury, Conn., Thomas W. Stowe and wife Diane of Hebron, Conn.; a brother, George P. Stowe and wife Helene of Ladylake, Fla.; 11 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren.

Besides his wife and parents, two brothers – Arthur Ellsworth Stowe and Harold Walker Stowe – predeceased him.

A celebration of Florence and Robert’s lives will be held at the Seamen’s Inn at Mystic Seaport in Mystic on March 15 at 11 a.m. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly.
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Alfred Stowell

Stonington — Alfred Davis "Chef" Stowell, 90, of 50 Moss St., Pawcatuck, died Sunday at his home.

Mr. Stowell was born on April 11, 1907, in Providence, the son of Leonidas K. and Florence Davis Stowell.

He married Mary E. Marshall on Dec. 18, 1930, at 50 Moss St.

He attended, South Kingstown (R.I.) High School, Stonington High School, and Rhode Island State College (now the University of Rhode Island). He was a graduate of Bryant College.

He worked for the Kingston Post Office, the Unemployment Office of Rhode Island, the Bradford Dye Association, and retired from the Cotrell and Harris Graphics Co. in Pawcatuck in 1973 after 53 years of service as an expediter.

Mr. Stowell was a member of the Central Baptist Church in Westerly, serving as assistant superintendent of Sunday school for many years, and served several terms as a deacon, auditor and usher.

He was a member of the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center, Ruth Chapter Order Eastern Star No. 44, Hope Lodge No. 25 AP & AM of Wakefield, R.I., and the Tere Cedars of Lebanon of Westerly No. 697.

Mr. Stowell was also past president of the Quarter Century Club of Harris Corp., served on the Boy Scouts of America Committee, was a member of the Elmridge Golf Club in Stonington and of the Westerly YMCA, and had coached basketball at the YMCA for many years.

He played varsity baseball, basketball and ran track at Stonington High School and varsity basketball at Bryant College.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Stowell is survived by a son, Retired Navy Captain Marshall A. Stowell of Naples, Fla.; a daughter, Barbara Higgins of Pawcatuck; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.
Pat Stowell, 71, died peacefully on January 2, 2007, after a courageous battle against cancer. Pat was born in New Haven, Conn., to Gertrude and George O’Brien and grew up in Pawcatuck. She graduated from Stonington High School and New Haven State Teachers College with degrees in Special and Elementary Education.

After graduation, Pat taught the first grade at Broadway Elementary School in Mystic.

In 1957, she married her high school sweetheart, Marshall A. Stowell, then an ensign in the U.S. Navy. For the next 30 years, Pat performed the toughest job in the Navy, being a Navy wife. Upon retirement in 1987, Pat and Captain Stowell moved to Naples, Fla., and enjoyed a wonderful social life with their many friends. They also enjoyed traveling and took many trips throughout the United States and abroad.

Pat is survived by her loving husband of 49 years, Marshall and two wonderful children, Susan Whitley of Stafford, Va., and Marshall Stowell of Washington, D.C. She is also survived by her sister, Eleanor O’Brien of Coronado, Calif.; brother Michael O’Brien of Joliet, Ill.; mother-in-law, Mary Stowell of Pawcatuck; her sister and brother-in-law, Barbara and Harry Higgins of Pawcatuck; her son-in-law, Jim Whitley and three grandsons Matthew, Adam and John of Stafford, Va., as well as numerous nephews and nieces.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday at 10 a.m. in Saint Michael Church, 60 Liberty St., Pawcatuck. Calling hours will be held on Wednesday from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly.

Her family and many friends will remember Pat as an extraordinarily loving, caring person with a cheerful attitude and a wonderful sense of humor. To know Pat was to love her.

Donations in her memory may be made to: Hospice of Naples, 1095 Whippoorwill Lane, Naples, FL 34105. For online condolences visit www.Buckler-Johnston.com.
Capt. Marshall A. Stowell USN

Marshall Stowell died peacefully on May 1, 2010, after a short battle with cancer.

Born on July 2, 1934, to the late Mary Marshall Stowell and Alfred Davis Stowell, Marshall grew up in Pawcatuck, Conn., and graduated from Stonington High School in 1952.

In 1956, he graduated from the United States Merchant Marine Academy with a bachelor of science degree, a Third Mates Unlimited License and a commission in the U.S. Navy. After graduation, he set sail for Korea on the USS Robin Grey, a cargo ship.

Upon his return in 1957, Ensign Stowell eloped with his high school sweetheart, Patricia O'Brien, after her graduation from New Haven State Teachers' College, and the two began a lifetime of service, travel and adventure.

A lover of history, Marshall took his new bride on a brief honeymoon to the battlefields of Gettysburg, Pa. Shortly after, Ensign Stowell reported to the USS Hissam in Newport, R.I., as Communications Officer and Officer of the Deck. Later he became the Combat Information Officer and Command Duty Officer.

Subsequent assignments included the U.S. Navy Post Graduate School in Monterey, Calif., as a meteorology and oceanography student, and a tour of duty aboard the USS Rogers as a Weapons Officer and later as an Operations Officer.

In 1963, he taught navigation, meteorology, astronomy, and oceanography at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

He was next assigned as Surface Operations Officer on the staff of the Commander Cruiser Destroyer Flotilla Two. In 1968, CDR Stowell assumed command of the USS Benewah, flagship of the Mobile River Assault Force operating in Vietnam's Mekong Delta.

As Executive Officer aboard the USS Edson, he provided gunfire support along the entire coast of Vietnam. He later served as the Head of the Administration, Deck, Supply, and Medical Enlisted Assignment Branch of the Bureau of Navy Personnel.

In 1974, then based in San Diego, Calif., CDR Stowell assumed command of the USS Panning, named after Nathaniel Fanning, a Revolutionary War hero from his hometown of Stonington, Conn.

After attending the Naval War College in Newport, he was promoted to captain and assigned to the staff of the Chief of Naval Operations as Head of the Fleet Modernization Program for Surface Combatants in the Pentagon. Three years later, he became Lead of the Navy's Fleet Modernization Program.

His last tour, as Operation Officer for the Naval District in Washington, D.C., where he was also in charge of the Navy's Ceremonial Guard.

A highly decorated veteran, Capt. Stowell received many awards including The Bronze Star, three Meritorious Medals, Navy and Army Commendation Medals, Combat Action Ribbon, Presidential Unit Citations, Navy Unit Commendation and 14 Campaign Ribbons.

Upon retirement in 1987, Marshall and Patricia moved to Naples, Fla., where they enjoyed a wonderful social life with their many friends. The two frequently traveled throughout the U.S. and enjoyed many trips abroad.

Marshall Stowell was preceded in death by his loving wife of 49 years, Patricia. He is survived by two children, Susan Whitley of Stafford, Va., and Marshall Stowell, of Washington, D.C., and by his son-in-law Jim Whitley and his three grandsons Matthew, Adam and John Whitley.

Other survivors include his sister, Barbara Higgins, brother-in-law, Harry and nephews Todd and Mark Higgins.

Marshall was a member of the Naples American Legion, AMVETS, and the VFW. He was a Free Mason of Coastal Lodge 57 in Stonington, Conn., for more than 50 years.

Viewing hours will be from 4 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 6, at Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home in Westerly, R.I. Services will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 7, at Central Baptist Church in Westerly, and burial at River Bend Cemetery will immediately follow.

Mary Stowell

Pawcatuck — Mary Elizabeth (Marshall) Stowell, 100, of 50 Moss St., Pawcatuck, died peacefully on Sunday, May 17, 2009, at her home surrounded by her loving family.

She was born Oct. 25, 1908, in Pawcatuck, the daughter of the late Hugh and Sarah (Case) Marshall. She was the beloved wife of the late Alfred O. "Chef" Stowell. They were high school and college sweethearts blessed with 64 years of marriage until his death on Oct. 12, 1997.

Mary is survived by a daughter, Barbara S. Higgins and her husband, Harry, of Pawcatuck and a son, retired Navy Capt. Marshall A. Stowell of Naples, Fla. Mary also leaves four grandchildren, Susan Whitely and her husband, Jim, of Stafford, Va., Marshall Stowell of Washington, D.C., Todd Higgins of Groton, and Mark Higgins of Pawcatuck. Also surviving is a niece, Shirley P. Booker of Lakeland, Fla., and three great-grandsons. She was preceded by her daughter-in-law, Patricia O'Brien Stowell.

She graduated from West Broad Street School, Stonington High School in 1927, and continued her education at Bryant College. After graduation she taught at Bryant in the business department. Employment following her Bryant years included serving as the personal secretary to Navy Capt. Nelson W. Pickering and an 18-year career in the accounting department of the Curtwell-Harris Corp.

During the six decades encompassing the 1940s thru the 1990s, Mary was extremely active in a myriad of church, civic, and school volunteer activities. As a charter member of the Central Baptist Church in Westerly, Mary served as church clerk and as an active member of the board of trustees, Women's Society, Circle 4, the 21 Club, the visitation and funeral committees, and secretary of the 150th anniversary committee. She was a 35-year member of the Stonington Republican Town Committee, serving as vice president, secretary, and as a delegate to many Republican state conventions. As her children progressed through the Stonington school system, Mary was active in the Patrons Club, PTA, and served as a Girl Scout leader. She was a Past Noble Grand of the Order of Odd Ladies and a member of Eastern Star where she served on the Rainbow Girls Advisory Board. Other activities included being an incorporator of the Westerly Public Library, serving on the board of the friends of the library, and a member of the YMCA Garden Club. She also proudly served as a member of the Bryant College Alumni Association "Loyal Guard."

In 2000, Mary was honored to be selected as an "Honored Citizen," riding proudly in the annual Westerly-Pawcatuck Columbus Day Parade. During the 1970s and 1980s, Mary and Chef traveled extensively, most always with close friends, to Alaska, Hawaii, and Europe.

This keen interest in people and her love of group interactions continued into the 21st century with memberships at the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center and the Seaside Beach Club at Weekapaug. Her zest for life included driving her car (license MMAS), until she was 95 and assisting her daughter Barb and the staff annually at the Central Nursery School "graduation" programs. Her quick mind and inquisitive nature allowed her to quickly assemble 500- and 1,000-piece jigsaw puzzles and to routinely read four books per week from the Westerly Library. Her legendary photo albums of her home and family, dating back to 1912, have assured Mary an eternal position as the family historian.

Mary's family wishes to express our heartfelt appreciation to Patricia "Trish" Cass, R.N., and to the entire staff of the SE Connecticut Visiting Nurses for their love, skill, and caring dedication. A very special thank you to Pastor Ron Short and to Mary's neighbor, friend, and superb caregiver, Janette Mitchell, for the love and compassion given to our mother and grandmother.

Friends and relatives are invited to calling hours from 4-7 p.m. on Thursday, May 21, at the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly, and to the funeral service celebrating Mary's productive life to be conducted at 11 a.m. on Friday, May 22, at the Central Baptist Church, 35 Elm St., Westerly. Burial will follow in River Bend Cemetery, Beach St., Westerly.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations in Mary's memory be made to the Central Baptist Church, 35 Elm St., Westerly RI 02891; or to The Visiting Nurse Association of Southeastern Connecticut, 403 North Frontage Road, Waterford CT 06385.
She is survived by her sons; Marvin Strand and his wife, Lisa, of Hope Valley and Eric Strand and his wife, Sherry, of Poquoson, Va.; three grandchildren; Christopher Strand and his wife, Staci, of Palm Coast, Fla., Peter Strand and his wife, Katy, of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Jennifer Strand and her fiancé, Adam Blake, of Newport News, Va.; her sister, Grace Palazzola of Westerly; sisters-in-law, June Brunette and Betty Strand of Rice Lake, Wis., and several nieces and nephews.

Irene’s family deeply appreciates the care the staff of the Westerly Health Center provided her during her stay.

There are no visiting hours and burial in River Bend Cemetery will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Mass., and R.I., 20 Hemmingway Drive, East Providence, RI 02915. Arrangements are under the care of Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly, R.I.

Roger A. Strand, 87, passed away on Monday, March 12, 2007, at The Westerly Hospital. He was born on Aug. 1, 1919, and grew up in Rice Lake, Wis.

As a young man, he was a member of the Civilian Conservation Corps helping to revitalize forests and build trails in state and national parks. He was also an Army veteran of World War II, having served in the Marshall Islands, Guam, and with the coastal defense battery at Oaks Inn in Westerly. It was during his service at Oaks Inn that he met his loving wife of 61 years, Irene G. Strand.

Roger retired after more than 30 years from Bostich in East Greenwich. During retirement, he enjoyed gardening, tending his yard, and taking his wife on scenic drives that usually ended with an ice cream cone. He was a lifetime member of Harley P. Chase VFW Post 1265 in Pawcatuck.

Roger is survived by his wife, Irene, of Pawcatuck; two sons, Marvin and his wife, Lisa of Hope Valley and Eric and his wife, Sherry of Poquoson, Va.; three grandchildren, Christopher of Lutherville, Ga., Peter of Orlando, Fla., and Jennifer of Poquoson, Va.; a sister, June Brunette and her husband, Thomas of Rice Lake, Wis.; two sisters-in-law, Betty Strand and Grace Palazzolo, both of Pawcatuck; and many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 2 to 4 p.m. on Friday, March 16, at Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St, Westerly. Funeral services and burial in River Bend Cemetery will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Rhode Island, 757 Park Ave., Cranston, RI, 02910.

Sande Stratton

Stonington — Sande E. Stratton, 80, of Stonington, passed away on March 8, 2011, at Yale-New Haven Hospital after a short illness.

She was born in New Haven on Sept. 19, 1930, to the late Helen Sheehan Stratton and John R. Stratton.

She was predeceased by her brother, Paul Stratton.

She attended Southern Connecticut State University and the University of Connecticut and completed her Ph.D.

She was most recently employed by the Groton Public School system as a teacher, assistant principal, and principal until her retirement.

She is survived by her brother, Kevin Stratton and wife, Nancy; her nephew, Spencer T. Stratton of Madison; her aunts, Dorothy Stratton of North Haven and Mildred Garvey of Hamden.

She also leaves many loving cousins and their children.

A celebration of her life will take place at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 19, at the Swan Funeral Home, 825 Boston Post Road, Madison CT 06443. Friends may call at the funeral home from 12 to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her memory to Yale-New Haven Hospital. The family would like to thank all of the staff of the SICU for their loving and comforting care.

Please visit swanfuneral-home.comadison.com for condolences and tributes.
Francis Strawderman

Stonington — Francis Strawderman, 82, of Hope Valley, R.I., brother of Mary Young of Stonington, died Saturday at the Westerly Hospital. Mr. Strawderman was the son of Francis E. and Jessie Maude Antil Strawderman. He was married to Fernande Hudon Strawderman.

Besides his wife and sister, he is survived by two daughters, Sandra S. Snow and Nancy S. Burdick, both of Charlestown, R.I.; a stepson, Richard Lague and stepdaughter, Gail Lague, of Charlestown; a brother, Robert L. Strawderman of Ashaway, R.I.; and two grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his first wife, Florence Sundman Strawderman; two brothers, Wayne and Opha Strawderman; and a sister, Lena Bonner.

A funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the S.R. Avery Funeral Home, Main St., Hope Valley. Interment will follow in Pine Grove Cemetery. Calling hours are 6-8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Donations may be made to the American Heart Association Massachusetts Affiliate Inc., 20 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701, or Hope Valley Ambulance Squad 5, Fairview Ave., Hope Valley, R.I.
John Streeter, noted yachtsman

Sailing was lifelong passion for man of many interests

By JOHN FOLEY
Day Staff Writer

STONINGTON — John Williams Streeter, 88, of Hancock Street, a noted yachtsman, yachting historian, astronomer, teacher and student of religion, died Wednesday at Westerly Hospital.

Mr. Streeter, who would have been 90 next month, was a popular figure in the community, respected for his intelligence and hisconsiderate manner. He grew up spending summers with his family in Stonington and he was a permanent resident there for the last 20 years.

He had many interests but sailing was a lifelong passion. Dave Wilson, a retired columnist for The Boston Globe and a neighbor and friend of Mr. Streeter, said Mr. Streeter probably carried more knowledge in his head about upscale yachting in America and England than anyone else in the world.

Mr. Streeter had many memorable experiences in yachting, including winning the Sears Cup and competing in the Flying 15 class at Cowes on the Isle of Wight. He loved yachting so much, his family said, "he would have no doubt, enjoyed knowing that he departed this world during Cowes Week." Mr. Streeter owned 15 boats over 10 years. His favorite was "Candida," named for his daughter and designed for him by Fred Geiger. The history of yachting was one of his many scholarly pursuits, and he edited a series of letters by Nathaniel Hurdesh, a member of the legendary family of designers and authors, for the New York Yacht Club. An extended excerpt of the edited letters was published in "Wooden Boat Magazine."

Mr. Streeter loved the Stonington area and surrounding waters from his youth and he seemed to know everyone in the community where he was regarded with affection. He was a founder and the first secretary of Stonington's Wadawanuck Club in 1926 and remained a member to his death.

He was a gifted intellectual with knowledge in a remarkable range of fields but he was not, in any way, a stuffy academic. He was gentle, generous, had a good sense of humor, was sincerely interested in people, and treated everyone in a warm and friendly manner.

He remained his good looks into his late years and, as his friend Dave Wilson said with a smile, "He delighted in the company of women and they did in him." He was an enthusiastic supporter, Wilson noted, of the University of Connecticut women's basketball team.

Mr. Streeter was a deeply religious person who devoted much of the last decade of his life to an extensive study of the interrelationship of science and religion. He felt that such an understanding was essential to attaining a truly fulfilling state of spirituality. He delivered two sermons at Calvary Church, Stonington, and completed the manuscripts for two books on the subject.

Mr. Streeter was born Sept. 11, 1918, in Manchester, Mass., the son of Dr. Edward Clark Streeter and Alice Chase Streeter. He graduated from Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass., from Yale University in 1941, served in the Intelligence Section of the Army Air Corps in London during World War II, then earned a master's degree in the history of science from Harvard University. He went on to become assistant director of the Peabody Planetarium of the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia.

Mr. Streeter was a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and served as the secretary for its History and Philosophy of Science section. His paper on John Winthrop Jr., first colonial governor of Connecticut, was published in the Journal "Isis." He also taught astronomy at Brown, Vassar, Drew Institute and Broomall High School in Pennsylvania.

During his years in Pennsylvania, Mr. Streeter and his first wife, Elizabeth R. Streeter, established the Skycastle Basset Hours, a pack which last year celebrated its 60th anniversary. He loved dance and was on the board of the Pennsylvania Ballet Company in its early years.

Mr. Streeter was an honorary trustee of Yale Medical School Library, an honorary curator of the library's Edward Clark Streeter collection of weights and measures, a former president of the Innerhouse Astronomical Society of Philadelphia, and a longtime member of the scientific organization, Sigma Xi.

He was a member of Calvary Church, Mystic Seaport Museum, Pequot-Mohegan Model Railroad Club and the Mellow Fellows. He also was a patron of the Angelic Singers and a Friend of the American Guild of Organists.

He is survived by his wife, Marianne Wilcox, music director of Calvary Church; two sons, Edward of New York, N.Y., and Nicholas of Mystic; a daughter, Candida Clark of Greenville, Va.; a sister, Helen Whitmore of Newtown, Pa.; a brother, Edward, of Harrington, England, and a granddaughter.

A Requiem Eucharist will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Calvary Church, 33 Church St., Stonington. Interment will follow at Stonington Cemetery. There are no calling hours. Dimick Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.

Gifts in memory of Mr. Streeter can be made to the Order of Julian of Norwich, 516 W. 56th Ave., Watertown, CT 06795, or the Mystic Seaport Museum, P.O. Box 11, Mystic, CT 06355.
STONINGTON — William George Strickland, 51, of Stephen Drive, died Wednesday evening, Nov. 12, at home.


Mr. Strickland served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War and was awarded the Purple Heart. He then was a self-employed sub-contractor in the New London area.

He was a volunteer for the American Cancer Society and a counselor for Alcoholics Anonymous and was active with Vietnam veterans organizations.

Besides his wife and mother, he leaves two sons, William Strickland of Colchester and Darry Totty of Groton; a daughter, Lisa Sellers of Charlotte, N.C.; a brother, Mark Strickland of Cheshire; a sister, Cynthia Backwith of Pensacola, Fla.; and two grandchildren.

A funeral service with full military honors was held Monday, Nov. 17, at Byles-Groton Memorial Home, 310 Thames Street. Burial was private.

Donations in Mr. Strickland's memory may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.
Robert Stroud

Stonington — Robert R. Stroud, 77, of Pawcatuck, passed away at his home on Monday, Nov. 28, 2011, surrounded by his family.

Born in Cranston, R.I., on Jan. 27, 1934, he was the son of the late James G. and Amy I. (Eichells) Stroud. Bob was a 1952 graduate of North Kingstown High School, a graduate of the Connecticut Police Academy - Protective Services, and he attended the Connecticut State Fire School, and the University of New Haven.

Bob was chief of the Electric Boat Fire Department until his retirement, a past president of the Groton-Ledyard Fire Officers' Association, a member of the New London County Fire Chiefs' Association, and a member of the Fire Marshals' Association of New London County.

Surviving are his wife, Joan (Ferguson) Stroud, whom he married on June 22, 1957; a sister, Irene J. (Stroud) Hughes of Manassas, Va.; five children, Robert A. J. Stroud, Mark A. Stroud, John G. Stroud, Susan A. (Stroud) Pica, and Eric D. Stroud. He was a beloved Poppy to five grandchildren, Michael J. Stroud, Amanda L. Stroud, John C. Stroud II, Anthony J. Pica, and Brandon J. Pica.

The family wishes to give special thanks to all of the cardiologists, physicians, and nurses who have treated Bob over the past several years.

Visiting hours will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 1, 2011, at Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly. Funeral service will be private, and burial will be at River Bend Cemetery, Westerly.

Memorial donations may be made to Lawrence & Memorial Hospital, 365 Montauk Ave., New London, CT 06320, or VITAS Hospice Charitable Fund, 628 Hebron Ave., Suite 300, Glastonbury, CT 06033.
Retired Pastor Dies at Age 92

NORWICH — The Rev. George Henry Strouse, 92, of Sheltering Arms, a retired minister who served many pastorates in the area, died today at W. W. Backus Hospital.

He was a graduate of Peddie School in Hightstown, N. J., and attended Lafayette College in Easton, Pa., after which he was a missionary in Africa. When he returned to the United States he attended Crozer Theological Seminary in Chester, Pa. and upon graduation became a missionary in India.

Later he was pastor of Montgomery Baptist Church in Colmar, Pa.; First Baptist Church here and Fitchville Baptist and Bozrah Center Congregational churches. Flanders Baptist and Community Church, Hope Valley (R.I.) Baptist Church and Read Church in Stonington.

Born Nov. 15, 1878, in Phillipsburg, N. J., he was the son of Samuel P. and Amanda Sailer Strouse. He married the former Kate Chidsey in 1903 in Brooklyn, N. Y. She predeceased him.

Survivors include a son, Atti, George H. Strouse Jr., of Norwich; a daughter, Miss Katherine C. Strouse of Nashville, Tenn.; three grandsons and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the First Baptist Church. Interment will be in Maplewood Cemetery.

Calling hours are from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Church & Allen Funeral Home.
James Stuart

Melbourne, Fla. — James B. Stuart of Melbourne, Fla., formerly of Groton, passed away on Sep. 26, 2010, at his home.

He was born on April 23, 1941, in Springfield, Mass., and spent over half his life in Naank and Stonington. He graduated in 1959 from Fitch Senior High School.

He was employed by Johnson's Hardware and Supply Co., in Groton for 21 years, and in 1977 he moved to Melbourne. For two years he captained a treasure hunting vessel working off the coast of South Melbourne Beach, near Sebastian Inlet. In 1980 he became employed by Brevard County and worked in various positions for 26 years until his retirement in December of 2006.


James is survived by his sons, Jay and James Stuart, and daughter, Janet Collings, all of Connecticut, and daughter, Jackie Petitti of Florida; stepson, Keith Marske of Connecticut; grandchildren, Tessa, Emma, and Samantha Stuart, Angela Lavoie, Jake Collings, Gabby, Tabby, and Tim Petitti; step-grandchildren, Jennifer Kenniston, Joshua and Rachael Marske; great-grandson, Holden Chute; step-great-granddaughters, Ursula and Abigail Kenniston; sister, Bette and brother, William Stuart of Connecticut, and brother, Ronald Stuart of Florida; sisters-in-law, Barbara Sawyer and Cathy Davies; several cousins and nieces; and the beloved Shih Tzu, Blossom.

There will be no calling hours. Services will be private.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Central Brevard Humane Society, Southern Area.

Ralph Weston Sturges was born on Christmas Day, 1916, the son of George and Alma Brown Sturges in New London, a city he also called home at the time of his passing.

Descended from the Baker line of The Mohican Tribe, Chief Sturges petitioned the federal government for tribal recognition, eventually allowing for the establishment of Mohican Sun. Owned and operated exclusively by The Mohican Tribe, Mohican Sun now stands on tribal land and is one of the largest and most successful casinos in the world.

Much of Chief Sturges’ life was spent in public service. As a young man, he enrolled in the Civilian Conservation Corps and was part of the crew that helped the southeastern Connecticut region to recover from a devastating hurricane in 1938. At the advent of World War II, Chief Sturges was stationed at Fishers Island, New York. During the War, he was decorated by the U.S. Army in recognition of his service in the intelligence division in New Guinea and the Philippines.

After World War II, Chief Sturges came back to Connecticut, where he served as postmaster for several Connecticut businesses. In a later position as the Director of Public Relations for The Salvation Army, Chief Sturges was responsible for charitable works in Connecticut and all of New England. He also served on the board of directors for The Connecticut Hospital in Branford, the first hospital established in the United States.

Many honors and accolades were bestowed on Chief Sturges. In 2005, the Eastern Connecticut Chamber of Commerce honored him as Citizen of the Year, while the Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Southeastern Connecticut named him Man of the Year. In 2006, he was given an honorary doctorate by Eastern Connecticut State University.

In 1991, Chief Sturges was elected as Lifetime Chief by The Mohican Tribe. In the Mohican language, his chief’s name, “G’hinemong,” translates to “He Who Helps Thee.” With an unselfish regard for the welfare of his fellow tribal members, Chief Sturges worked throughout the latter half of the 20th century for federal recognition of The Mohican Tribe and served as Tribal Chairman from 1969 to 1986. sticks to his code of “Perseverance, Honor & Integrity.”

Chief Sturges pressed on in his efforts despite some initial setbacks, and was there in 1994 when the call came through granting federal recognition to the tribe. After working with both government officials and the financiers of Wall Street, Chief Sturges saw the rise of Mohican Sun as its doors opened 1996. He also participated in the building’s expansion in 2002. Mohican Sun continues to grow, and is in the midst of another expansion entitled Project Horizon, which is expected to be completed by 2016.

Chief Sturges was present at the groundbreaking of Project Horizon in the summer of 2007. An avid sculptor and carver, Chief Sturges took pleasure and pride in his craft. His work not only was part of the cornerstone of Mohican Sun, it can also be found in the state’s Capitol building, at New London’s City Hall, and at Montville High School and at Uncas Elementary School in Norwalk.

Chief Sturges passed away after a battle with cancer on Oct. 1, 2007, at the age of 88. Dad, his loving wife of 38 years, had passed away in May of the same year. They were married at the Old Mystic Baptist Church on April 2, 1948.

Chief Sturges is survived by his son, Paul Sturges, and daughter-in-law, Joanne; sister, Doris Clark; two grandchildren, Paula and Jesse Sturges, and two great-grandchildren, Tyler and Joseph Sturges.

Bruce “Two Dogs” Beausum, Chairman of The Mohican Tribe, remarked “The Chief has been a symbol of who we are as a people…(we) will miss his leadership and his passing leaves a void not easily filled.”

Chief Sturges’ graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 5, at the Mohegan Burial Grounds, Ft. Shantok Road, Uncasville.

Friends and family are asked to gather at 9 a.m. Friday at the Mohegan Church, Church Lane in Uncasville to join in a walking procession beginning at 10 a.m. to the Chief’s graveside.

All are asked to park at Ft. Shantok and busing will be provided to the church beginning at 8:36 a.m. Friday. In lieu of flowers, donations may be directed to the Connecticut Hospital, 100 Double Beach Road, Branford, CT 06405.

Eyles Memorial Home, 39 Huntington St., New London, is assisting the family with his services. Please visit www.eyels.com for the family’s online registry.
SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2013

Frederic Stutzer Jr.

Stonington — Frederic L. Stutzer Jr., 71, of Circle Drive, Stonington, passed away Wednesday, May 15, 2013, at Lawrence + Memorial Hospital, New London.

He was born on April 14, 1942, in Westchester, N.Y., the son of the late Frederic L. and Margaret (Thomas) Stutzer Sr. Fred was married on July 15, 1966, in Springfield, Mass., to the former Patricia A. Evlith Asselin.

He was a Vietnam veteran of the Air Force, having served for more than 22 years from 1960 to 1982. Following his military retirement, Fred worked as a computer analyst for the U.S. Civil Service. He was an avid guitarist and enjoyed singing, computers and watching the Fox network news.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Rhonda Floyd and her husband, Lin- eal, of Colorado Springs, Colo.; son-in-law, Stacey Joyce of Pawcatuck; a brother, Paul Stutzer and his wife, Rose, of New York; two sisters, Mary Hagstron and her husband, Brian and Sara Younes, all of New York; and two grandsons, Christopher and Jacob.

Fred was predeceased by a daughter, Michelle Joyce.

Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, June 1, at the St. Mary's Cemetery, Jefferson Avenue in New London.

Byles-Groton Memorial Home, 310 Thames St., Groton, is assisting his family with the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, his family requests that donations be directed to the Patriot Guard Riders of CT, c/o Marcia Young, 8 Brenda Lane, Old Saybrook, CT 06475.
Storington — Stephen Michael Sujecki, 67, a resident of Pawcatuck for over 40 years, passed away Saturday, Oct. 5, 2013, following a courageous battle with cancer.

Born in Bristol on Oct. 10, 1951, he was the son of Stefan Sujecki, currently of Avon, and the late Anita (Goleniewski) Sujecki. He was a loving father, son, and brother with a passion for sports and helping others.

Steve graduated from Bristol Eastern High School in 1969. He later received a bachelor’s degree in education from Southern Connecticut State University and a master’s degree in school counseling from the University of Rhode Island.

Steve was a presence at Wheeler High School/Westerly Middle School in North Stonington for 37 years before retiring in 2010. Through the years he taught both math and physical education and was also a guidance counselor. His caring mentorship and guidance, helping them to navigate their way through high school and make plans for the future. His former players will remember him as a tough but fair coach who strived to bring out the best in each one of his players. As a soccer coach with over 300 wins, an accomplishment he was extremely proud of, he won the state championship with Wheeler High School in 1988 and was the Connecticut State Coaches Association Coach of the Year in 1996. He coached Westerly High School to its first state championship in 1998. He was duly named Rhode Island Coach of the Year in 1998, 1999, and 2001. Steve was named New England Coach of the Year in 1990 and received the National Soccer Coaches Association of America and Adidas Coach of the Year Award in 1999. He was also very active in the Connecticut Junior Soccer Association.

was head coach of the boys’ soccer team at Wheeler High School for 25 years. He then went on to coach boys’ soccer at Westerly High School in Westerly, R.I., for six years. After his retirement from Wheeler in 2010, Steve was employed by Home Depot in Westerly, where he was blessed to reconnect with many former students and colleagues. He continued his involvement in soccer as a high school soccer referee for both boys and girls.

Steve played soccer, baseball, and basketball and was a wrestler in high school. He went on to compete in soccer at the collegiate level with Southern Connecticut State University in New Haven. He was a longtime fan of the New York Yankees and the New York football Giants.

A dedicated teacher, guidance counselor, and coach, Steve had a great impact on many young lives. His former students will remember him as a devoted father to his son, Brian, coaching him in their shared passion of soccer and providing guidance and support throughout his life. He and Brian also enjoyed studying and practicing karate together, both earning their black belts. He continued to practice karate for as long as his health allowed.

In addition to his son, Steve leaves his wife, Brian, of Pawcatuck; sister, Barbara Zoghi, her husband, Maroun, of Avon; brother, Robert Sujecki, and his wife, Elizabeth, of Bristol; and three nephews, Edward Sujecki and his wife, Jennifer, of Fairfax, Va., and Michael Zoghi of Avon and David Zoghi of Newington.

Steve will be dearly missed and never forgotten by his son and family. His legacy as a caring and dedicated educator, counselor, and coach will live on in the hearts and memories of the hundreds of lives he touched.

His family will receive relatives and friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, at the Mystic Funeral Home on Route 1 in Mystic. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 11, at St. Mary Church in Stonington. His burial will follow the Mass at St. Michael Cemetery in Pawcatuck.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital (www.stjude.org).
Althea Sullivan

Mystic — Althea (White) Sullivan, 96, passed away comfortably, surrounded by her grandsons, on Tuesday, March 10, 2015.

She was an avid gardener, an experienced equestrian and a very loving grandmother.

She was predeceased by her husband, Edward F. Sullivan; and her daughter, Linda Friedlander.

She leaves behind her son, Mark F. Sullivan of Clearwater, Fla.; her grandchildren, Jeffrey Friedlander of Waterford, Christopher Sullivan of Mystic, Stephen Sullivan of Stratford, Lindsay Sullivan of San Rafael, Calif., and Andrew Sullivan of Westerly; her great-grandchildren, Cassidy Friedlander and Lucille Sullivan; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Her family will greet relatives and friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 19, at Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic. Burial will be private.
Cdr. Edward Thomas Sullivan (USN Ret.) passed away peacefully on Friday, Feb. 25, 2011, after a valiant battle with mesothelioma.
Cdr. Sullivan was born on Feb. 11, 1926, in Chicago, Ill., to John A. and Mildred Swartz Sullivan.
He was raised in Bridgeport, Conn., and he graduated from St. Augustine’s School and attended Central High school.
He enlisted in the Navy in 1943 at age 17, serving until he was discharged in 1946. During that time, Cdr. Sullivan served as a signalman and as a member of the Navy Armed Guard Gun Crew protecting merchant ship convoys carrying supplies, munitions and troops.
During WWII, he saw service in the Pacific, Caribbean and Atlantic, including a northern Arctic convoy to Murmansk and Archangel, Russia.
Returning to school, he graduated from Boston University and later received a Master’s degree from RPI. In 1951, he was recalled to duty as an Ensign and served two years on the cruiser Columbus. He was then selected for a regular Navy commission as a Public Affairs Specialist, one of only 30 in the Navy.
In 1978, he retired as a Commander after duties afloat, on staff, and ashore, including the Pentagon, NATO command, Italy, the 6th fleet Philippines, a year in Vietnam (July 1966 through 1967), as well as various state-side assignments. He was particularly proud of having retired on board the USS Constitution (Old Ironsides), the world’s oldest Warship.
Settling in Mystic, Conn., in 1978, he joined the Republican party and was active in town affairs for over 20 years as a member of the Stonington Republican Town Committee, chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals, SCRRRA representative and as a Justice of the Peace. In 2000, he was honored as Stonington’s Republican of the Year.
He is survived by his wife of almost 59 years, Barbara J. Sullivan of Mystic; his son, Mark of Mystic; two daughters, Eileen McDermid of Annapolis, Md., and A. Megan Sullivan of Los Angeles, Calif.; and his grandson, Brian E. Ostahowski of Annapolis, Md.
The family will receive friends on Monday Feb. 28, from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1 (51 Williams Ave.), Mystic.
A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday at 10 a.m. at St. Patrick Church, 32 East Main St., Mystic.
Burial will follow at St. Patrick Cemetery, River Road, Old Mystic.
Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online expression of sympathy.
James "Jim" L. Sullivan Jr., 85, of Mystic, beloved husband of 63 years to Mary (Muise) Sullivan, passed away peacefully, Monday, Oct. 26, 2009, at Mystic Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center.

Born on Oct. 25, 1924, in Westerly, he was the son of the late James and Victoria (Whowell) Sullivan and was a lifelong resident of Mystic.

Jim was a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II honorably discharged in 1946.

Shortly after his military service, Jim started Sullivan's Service Station, which originally operated in 1948 in Old Mystic. Jim eventually moved his business to Mystic in 1950 where it is still in operation today. He retired in 1997. Jim was an avid Boston Red Sox and NASCAR fan.

His family will remember him as a loving husband, father, and grandfather who will be deeply missed.

Besides his wife, he leaves two sons, James L. Sullivan III and his wife, Jeanne, of Pawcatuck and Gerald A. Sullivan and his wife, Deborah, of Glastonbury; a brother, John Sullivan of Manchester; a sister, Kathleen King of New Hampshire; two grandchildren, Shannon and Graham; and two great-grandchildren; and a sister-in-law, Anita Gianau of Stonington.

He was predeceased by a brother, Harold Sullivan.

The family will receive friends Thursday, Oct. 29, from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, followed by a Funeral Mass at 10 a.m. at St. Patrick Church, Mystic. Burial will follow at Elm Grove Cemetery, Route 27, Mystic.

Memorial contributions in Jim's memory may be made to St. Edmund's Retreat, Enders Island, P.O. Box 399, Mystic, CT 06355.

The Sullivan family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to share an online message of condolence.
Jean L. (Clarke) Sullivan, 82, of Moss Street, Pawcatuck, passed away Feb. 5, 2011, in The Westerly Hospital, surrounded by her loving family. She was the widow of the late Vincent “Wink” Sullivan.

Born in Westerly, she was a daughter of the late Clarence and Ethel Clarke.

Mrs. Sullivan had been employed as a clerk for the former McCormick’s Department Store before retiring.

She was a communicant of St. Michael the Archangel Church and was a former member of the Ladies Guild at the church. She enjoyed knitting and loved watching UConn Women’s Basketball.

She leaves two sons and daughters-in-law, Richard and Gail Sullivan of Westerly, and Paul and Amy Sullivan of Sandy Hook, Conn.; four daughters and sons-in-law, Pamela and Brian Tuohy of Longmeadow, Mass., Christine and Richard Turner of Brooklyn, Conn.; Karen and Robert Woods of Hope Valley; and Mary and Donald Stone of Pawcatuck; four sisters-in-law, Virgene Farrell, Patricia Raber, Iva Sullivan and Norma Sullivan; three brothers-in-law, John L. Sullivan, John Farrell and John Sullivan; 21 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her Best Friends In “The Club.”

She was predeceased by four sisters, Eleanor and Evelyn Clarke, Grace Morgan and Lois Holack as well as a brother, Donald Clarke.

Calling hours will be held Wednesday from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Funeral Liturgy Thursday at 10 a.m. in St. Michael the Archangel Church, 60 Liberty St., Pawcatuck, CT 06379. Burial will be in St. Michael Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Michael School, c/o St. Michael Church, in Jean’s memory.

For online condolences, go to www.gaffneydolanfuneralhome.com.
Mary Ann F. Sullivan

Mrs. Mary Ann F. (Farrell) Sullivan, 95, formerly of Brookside Lane, Pawcatuck, died June 13, 2005, in the Pendleton Nursing Home, Stonington. She was the widow of the late John L. Sullivan.

Mrs. Sullivan was born in County Longford, Ireland, daughter of the late Daniel and Elizabeth Farrell. She had been employed as a weaver at Charbert's until retiring. She was a communicant of St. Michael the Archangel Church, Pawcatuck, and was a member of the Daughters of Isabella, Nina Circle, in Stonington.

She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Calling hours are omitted. Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Mass of Christian Burial to be celebrated Wednesday at 10 a.m. in St. Michael the Archangel Church, 60 Liberty St., Westerly. Interment will be in St. Mary Cemetery, Stonington. Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly, is in charge of arrangements.
Norma Constance (Sullivan) Sullivan, 77, of Newton Avenue, Westerly, beloved wife for 52 years of the late Robert Edward Sullivan, passed away peacefully at her home surrounded by her loved ones on Sunday, March 25, 2012. Norma was born to the late John Robert and Mary Constance Sullivan. She was born and raised in Stonington Borough, Conn., along with her two sisters. Norma was a communicant of the Immaculate Conception Church, Westerly.

Surviving are five daughters, Constance Lefebvre, Patricia Giddings, Jacqueline Nix, Gail Sullivan and Brenda Peloquin; two sons, Robert Sullivan and James Sullivan; two sisters, Judith Bergel, of Westerly, and Haley Nix, and Connor and Riley Peloquin as well as seven great-grandchildren, Ava and Matthew Fribance, Abigail and Michael Malone, Jeffrey and Samantha Creamer and Maryn Austin.

The family would like to thank the doctors and also the wonderful people from hospice.

Visiting hours will be held on Wednesday from 4 to 7 p.m. in Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in Immaculate Conception Church, 111 High St., Westerly on Thursday at 1 p.m. Burial will follow in St. Sebastian Cemetery, Westerly. For online condolences, please go to www.gaffneydolanfuneralhome.com.
Thomas Sullivan

Thomas “Doug” Sullivan, of 33 Moss St., Pawcatuck, husband of Iva M. (Logan) Sullivan, died Saturday, Feb. 28, 2004, at the Pendleton in Mystic.

He was born in Westerly, Aug. 9, 1918, to the late Thomas E. and Marion (Waters) Sullivan.

In addition to his beloved wife of 58 years, he is survived by three sons, John L. Sullivan of Westerly, and Gerald D. Sullivan and Thomas E. Sullivan, both of Louisville, Ky.; five grandchildren, Tracy and Jill Sullivan of Westerly, and Thomas D. Sullivan, Ian P. Sullivan and Scott Terrell, all of Louisville; three brothers, Vincent Sullivan of Pawcatuck, and J. Laurence Sullivan and Robert E. Sullivan, both of Westerly; three sisters, Virgene Farrell of Pawcatuck, Patricia Raber of Tennessee, and M. Christine Sullivan of Manchester, Conn.

He served in the Navy during World War II about the USS Altair.

He married Iva Logan on June 2, 1945, in Norfolk, Va.

Upon leaving the service, he began work at Cottrell’s in Pawcatuck. In addition, he spent over 30 years as a member of the Westerly Post Office until his retirement in 1979.

He was a communicant of St. Michael Church, Pawcatuck, and a member of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held in St. Michael Church, Pawcatuck, Wednesday at 10 a.m.; family and friends are invited. Visiting hours will be in Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly, Tuesday from 5 to 7 p.m. Interment will be in St. Michael Cemetery, Pawcatuck.
Vincent Sullivan

Vincent "Wink" Sullivan, 78, of 33 Moss St., Pawcatuck, and beloved husband for 55 years of Jean (Clarke) Sullivan, died Saturday, March 6, 2004, in the Pendleton Nursing Home, Mystic.

He was born in Pawcatuck, the son of the late Thomas E. and Marion (Waters) Sullivan.

A lifelong resident of the Pawcatuck and Westerly area, Vincent was a graduate of St. Michael School and Stonington High School. He served in the U.S. Navy from August 1943 to March 1946, mainly at the Amphibious Operating Base in WAIPIO, Hawaii. Vincent was employed at the Westerly Post Office for 29 years, before retiring in 1987. He was a communicant of St. Michael Church in Pawcatuck.

Surviving in addition to his wife in Pawcatuck are his six children and their spouses, Pamela and Brian Tuche of Longmeadow, Mass., Christine and Richard Turner of Brooklyn, Conn., Richard and Gail Sullivan of Westerly, Karen and Robert Woods of Hope Valley, Mary and Donald Stanley of Pawcatuck, and Paul and Amy Sullivan of Sandy Hook, Conn.; 21 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; two brothers, John "Larry" Sullivan and Robert E. Sullivan both of Westerly; and three sisters, Virgina Farrell of Pawcatuck, Patricia Raber of East Windsor, Conn., and M. Christine Sullivan of Manchester, Conn.; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Thomas "Doug" Sullivan.

Calling hours will be held today from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Wednesday at noon in St. Michael Church, 69 Liberty St., Pawcatuck. Internment will be in St. Michael Cemetery, Pawcatuck.

The family requests that memorial donations be made to St. Michael School, c/o St. Michael Rectory, 69 Liberty St., Pawcatuck, CT 06379.
Mrs. Sully attended the public schools in Southampton and although she received a solid education, did so at the price of strict rules. "They wanted us to have good posture and an attractive gait, so they made us practice walking with a glass of water on our heads," she recalled.

Talented in pottery design and decoration, she was employed at Artistic China Manufacturers in New York, tasked, according to her, with applying the "more complicated" decoration. Later, she was housekeeping supervisor at the Endicott Hotel on Central Park West. Always committed to senior citizens, upon her retirement, Mrs. Sully served as a volunteer in the Senior Outreach program at the Riverside Church on Manhattan's Upper West Side.

Mrs. Sully married Jackson O. Sully of Richmond, Va., in November of 1947, and the couple had one daughter, Janice Ann. Mr. Sully died in 1971. She later moved to Groton's Fellowship Manor after the marriage of her daughter to Lawrence E. Wilson III of Stonington. Mrs. Sully was an active member of the Groton Senior Center. In later years, her passion became traveling, reading and her grandchildren, Jillian Gloria, 12, and Lawrence E. IV, 10. In addition to her immediate family, she is survived by a number of nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband and her sister, she was predeceased by a brother in 1983. Rev. Reynold L. Walbrook, pastor of Harlem's Pilgrim Holiness Church, was 95.

The family will greet relatives and friends from 3:30 to 6 p.m. Thursday at the Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Historic downtown Mystic.

Her funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Elm Grove Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Fairview Nursing Home, Lestertown Road, Groton, CT 06340, or the Groton Senior Center, North Road, Groton.

For complete obituary information, directions, or to send online condolences, please visit www.dinotofuneral.com.
DAY 4-29-08

Gabrielle Sundman

Stonington — Gabrielle H. Sirós
Sundman, 83, passed away peacefully at Connecticut Hospice on
April 23, 2008.

She was born Oct. 10, 1914, in
Trois Pistoles, Quebec, Canada, the
daughter of Dr. Hippolyte and Lu-
cille Sirós.

In October of 1936, she married
Robert C. Sundman in Brooklyn,
N.Y. He predeceased her in 1990.

They resided in Oceanside and
Southampton, Long Island, and in
Port Orange, Fla.

Gabrielle was a teacher and a

nurse in New York until her retire-
ment to Florida. She recently
moved to Stonington to live with
her family.

Her survivors include her son,

Robert E. Sundman and his wife,
Janet; her daughter, Jeanette Ha-
zencomb and her husband, George,
of Los Angeles; six grandchildren
and eleven great-grandchildren.

She is also survived by one sister;

Bertille Murphy, of Port Orange,
and several nieces and nephews.

Besides her husband, Gabrielle
was predeceased by their youngest
child, Paul Roger Sundman, one
sister, two brothers, and a grand-
child.

Burial will be in the Stonington
Cemetery at a later date.
Mary Ann Surber

PAWCATUCK, Conn. — Mary Ann Surber passed away peacefully at her home at Brookside Village in Pawcatuck, Conn. on March 8, 2015. She was born on Dec. 18, 1924 in Boston, Mass. to William and Shirley (Blanchard) Surber.

Although Mary Ann lived a life with disabilities, she was always a friendly person with a jolly personality.

She worked as a CNA for 18 years until her health declined.

Mary Ann is survived by two sisters: Jeanne Cornell and husband, Donald, of Westerly, R.I. and Susan Surber of Pawcatuck, Conn. She also leaves a nephew, two nieces, three great-nephews and her aunt, Ruth Surber. She was predeceased by her parents and her loving grandparents, Tom and Winnie Blanchard.

She will also be greatly missed by her caregiver, Linda Bencini of Pawcatuck, Conn.

A special thank you to her visiting nurses, Barbara and Theresa, and the many home health aids she had over the last several years.

Mary Ann's wishes are to be buried with her mother, who died when she was three years old. A graveside service will be held at the River Bond Cemetery in Westerly, R.I. in the spring. For online condolences, please visit www.Buckler-Johnston.com.
Mrs. Surber of Pawcatuck Dead

Mrs. Shirley Winifred (Blanchard) Surber, 36, wife of William Daniel Surber of the north Stonington Road, Pawcatuck, died at the Westerly Hospital this morning following an extended illness.

Mrs. Surber was a member of the Central Baptist Church, and a graduate of Stonington High School with the Class of 1930.

Born in Westerly, June 5, 1932, she was a daughter of Thomas R. and Winifred (Fitzgerald) Blanchard of Pawcatuck.

Surviving in addition to her husband and parents, are three daughters, Jean L. Surber, Susan J. Surber, Mary Ann Surber, all at home; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at the Central Baptist Church, Elm Street, Saturday at 3 p.m. Interment will be in River Bend Cemetery. Calling hours will be held at the Harvey W. Buckler Funeral Home, 121 Main Street, Friday evening from 7 to 9 o'clock.
Frances Rose Surowiec, 88, of Pawcatuck, wife of the late Walter J. Surowiec, died peacefully at the Parkway Rehabilitation Center in Stuart, Fla.

Born in Providence, she was the daughter of Zygmund and Nellie Boreiko.

She graduated from Hope High School in 1939 and from the RI School of Nursing in 1943. She worked as a nursing supervisor of obstetrics at Manchester Memorial Hospital, in Manchester, Conn., from 1943 until retiring in 1984.

For the past nine years, she made her home with her daughter and son-in-law, Carolyn and Jack Gavitt of Pawcatuck and Stuart, Fla.

Frances was active in the Westerly Hospital Knitting Club and the RI Nursing Association.

Surviving in addition to her daughter and son-in-law are two grandchildren, Scott Gavitt, Jamie Henkin and her husband Steve, and two great-grandchildren, Nicholas and Zachary Henkin.

Calling hours are omitted. Funeral service and burial will be private. Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly, is in charge of the arrangements.
Mark Stephen Sutcliffe

Mark Stephen Sutcliffe, 49, husband of Jill (Spaulding) Sutcliffe of North Anguilla Road, Pawcatuck, died May 9, 2009, at his home.

Born in Westerly, he was a son of Mrs. Cecile (Raiche) Sutcliffe Paterno of Pawcatuck and John T. Sutcliffe of Franklin, N.H.

Mark was owner and operator of the former Mark's Auto Center in Pawcatuck from 1989 to 2005. A former Boy Scout, Mark had achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. He was a member of the Pawcatuck Lions Club, a member of the Westerly Lodge of Elks, B.P.O.E. #578, a certified scuba diver, and he was an avid gardener, fisherman and boater. He loved to camp and spend time with his family.

Mark Stephen Sutcliffe

Surviving in addition to his wife and mother, he leaves two daughters, Monique L. Sutcliffe of Pawcatuck, and her fiancé Jason D. Mandeville, and Nicole A. Sutcliffe of Westerly, and her fiancé Shayne T. Storm; three brothers, John R. Sutcliffe of Westerly, Thomas J. Sutcliffe of Richmond, and Ernest A. Paterno Jr., of Portland, Me.; two sisters, Lisa M. Paterno and Gina C. Terranova, both of Pawcatuck; one granddaughter, Lily A. Storm of Westerly; and many nieces and nephews.

Calling hours are omitted. Funeral service and burial will be private. Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly, is in charge of arrangements.

Family requests that in lieu of flowers contributions be made to the Mark Sutcliffe Memorial Fund, c/o P.O. Box 83, Westerly, RI 02891.

Mark Sutcliffe

Pawcatuck — Mark S. Sutcliffe, who died May 9, 2009, is also survived by his father, John T. Sutcliffe of Franklin, N.H., and twin sisters, Doreen Thibault of Tilton, N.H., and Donna Talbert of Franklin, N.H.
Louise Sutherland

Stonington — Louise (DePietro) Sutherland, 96, of Liberty Street, Pawcatuck, and most recently of Groton Regency, passed away on Sunday, Jan. 13, 2013. She was the wife of the late Richard E. Sutherland.

Born in Westerly, she was a daughter of the late Emelius and Josephine DePietro.

Louise was a graduate of Westerly High School and was an original member of the Daughters of Isabella and a communicant of St. Michael the Archangel Church. She was very devoted to her family, and she will be sadly missed by them.

She is survived by her daughter, June Rathbun and her husband, George, of Pawcatuck; four grandchildren, Scott Rathbun, Kristine Curcio, Suzanne Fetter, and Karen Hanson; and eight great-grandchildren.

Louise was predeceased by a son, Richard Sutherland, who passed away last August; her brothers, Anthony and Fred DePietro and her sisters, Mary DePietro, Margaret Tomassini, Pauline Wucik and Violet Murray.

Visiting hours are omitted. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at noon on Thursday in Immaculate Conception Church, 333 High St., Westerly. There is no procession from the funeral home to the church. Burial will follow in St. Sebastian Cemetery, Westerly.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the St. Michael Capital Fund, 60 Liberty St., Pawcatuck, CT 06379, in Louise’s memory.

For online condolences, please go to www.gaffneydolanfuneralhome.com.
Saturday, August 25, 2012

Richard Sutherland

Stonington — Richard W. Sutherland, 64, of Sherwood Drive, Stonington, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, Aug. 21, 2012, in Pawcatuck.

Mr. Sutherland was born in Framingham, Mass., on Sept. 22, 1947, the son of the late Richard E. Sutherland and Louise C. (DePietro) Sutherland of Groton. Richard was a graduate of Stonington High School and Bentley College. For many years, Richard was a self-employed certified public accountant. He was a very devoted professional to his clients.

He is survived by his mother, Louise C. (DePietro) Sutherland of Groton; his sister and brother-in-law, June M. and George Rathbun of Pawcatuck; his nephew, Scott Rathbun; his nieces, Kristine Curcio, Suzanne Petter and Karen Hanson.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 27, 2012, at St. Mary's Church, 95 Main St., Stonington. Burial will take place in the family cemetery in Portage, Maine. There are no calling hours.

Funeral services are under the direction of Rushlow-Iacoi Funeral Home & Crematory, 64 Friendship St., Westerly. For online condolences, please go to www.rushlowiacoi.com.

Contributions in Richard's name can be made to St. Michael's Capital Campaign, 60 Liberty St., Pawcatuck, CT 06379.
Sheila Svantesson

Pawcatuck — Sheila (Splellman) Svantesson, passed away on Aug. 21, 2008, at Eastern Maine Medical Center after a short battle with cancer.

Born on June 2, 1943, Sheila resided in Sherman, Maine, and was formerly of Pawcatuck and North Stonington.

Sheila graduated from Stonington High School in 1961, she loved to sew and was a member of a local quilting guild. She also enjoyed reading and raising alpaca. Sheila loved her retired life in Maine since 2000, and the view of Mount Katahdin "her" mountain.

Sheila is survived by her husband, Hakan Svantesson of Silver Ridge, Maine, whom she married on Nov. 21, 1982; her father, James M. Splellman of Pawcatuck; her mother, Claire Splellman of Pawcatuck; brothers James M. Spellman Jr. of Noank, Steven Spellman of Stonington and Michael Spellman of Pawcatuck; six children, Lisa Moran of Westerly, R.I., and her husband, Patrick, and three children, Lara Cole of North Stonington, and her husband, Charles and one child, David Cummings of Westerly, R.I., and wife, Wendy, and their two children, Tonya Morgan of North Stonington, and her husband, Charles, and their three children, Brian Cummings of Carolina, R.I., and wife, Joanna, and their three children, Dana Fusaro of Westerly, R.I., and her husband, Joseph, and their four children; also 16 grandchildren, Billy, 16, Patrick, 15, Timothy, 13, Moran; and Charles, 12, Cole; Andrew, 8, Kate, 7; Cummings; Jessica, 12, Kaitlin, 11, and Emma, 7; Morgan; Nick, 14, and Ernst (Drew), 10, Cummings; Kirsten Babcock, 19, and Joseph, 6, Mackenzie, 5, Jaclyn, 5, and Eric, 2, Fusaro; also four nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 6, at St. Michael's Church. Immediately following the Mass, Sheila's husband and children invite friends and family to a barbecue celebrating her life at Spellman Park behind the Stonington High School.

Condolences to the family or questions regarding services may be expressed at SSSvntisson@yahoo.com

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in honor of Sheila Svantesson to Stand Up for Animals, PO Box 1706, Westerly, RI, 02891; OR Your favorite charity in Sheila's name.
Ada Swain

Ada Annette Gavitt Swain, of 52 Courtland St., Pawtucket, wife of the late Donald W. Swain Sr., died Tuesday morning, May 30, 2000, at The Westerly Hospital.

Mrs. Swain was born in Stonington on Feb. 15, 1921, a daughter of the late Alexander R. and Carrie C. (Kenyon) Gavitt.

She was employed in the kitchen of The Westerly Hospital and later retired from the Stonington Visiting Nurses Association as a Home Health Aide.

Mrs. Swain was a member of the Central Baptist Church in Westerly and a member of the Woman's Society and Circle 4 of the church. She was a volunteer at The Westerly Hospital, Westerly Adult Day Care, and the Westerly Public Library. She was a former member of the Daughters of America and the Eastern Star.

She is survived by three sons, Donald W. Swain Jr. of Pawtucket, Kenneth D. Swain of Westerly, and Alexander G. Swain of Sacramento, Calif.; one daughter, Susan A. Groeschel of Honolulu, Hawaii; one sister, Martha Lenihan of Pawtucket; one brother, Edward Gavitt of Pawtucket; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

She was the sister of the late Charles Gavitt, George Gavitt, Roy Gavitt, John Gavitt, William Gavitt, Alexander "But" Gavitt, Phillip Stevens, John Stevens, Julia Jarvis, Louise Bookateub and Katherine Sutcliffe.

Calling hours will be held on Thursday evening from 6 to 8 in the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly. A memorial service will be held on Monday, June 5, at 11 a.m. in the Central Baptist Church, 16 Elm St., Westerly.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 40 Broad St., Pawtucket, RI 02860.
Swan, Donald Swain, Jr.
Swan, Donald W.
Swan, Donald W.

Passed away on December 30, 2002, following a long, courageous battle with cancer. He leaves his wife, Janet Swain, two sons, Todd and Jesse Swain, and two grandchildren.

He was a member of the Westerly Yacht Club as well as the Boating Club of Westerly. He was a member of the Red Sox, and his brother, Alex Swan, was elected to the Hall of Fame. He also played on many successful teams, and he was a two-time national champion in the 1970s.

Calling hours are from 3 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, December 30, at Buerkle-Thomas Funeral Home, 15 Main St., Westerly, R.I. There will be a private burial.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Dance-Paralysis Foundation.

For more information, please visit www.hfnd.org.

Kline, John C.

Swan, Donald W.
Kenneth D. Swain

Kenneth Delmore Swain, 59, of Westerly, died suddenly Sept. 24, 2003, at home. Born July 31, 1944, he was the son of the late Donald and Annette (Gavit) Swain. He is survived by his wife of 23 years, Kathleen Kelley Swain; a son, Kerrick W. Swain, a senior at Massachusetts Maritime Academy; a daughter, Kelley K. Swain, a first-year student at Randolph-Macon Woman’s College, his brothers and sister-in-law, Donald and Patricia Swain of Pawcatuck, and Alexander and Vicki Swain of Carolina; a sister and brother-in-law, Susan and David Groeschel of Fredericksburg, Va., and several nieces and nephews.

Kenneth was a 1962 graduate of Stonington High School, served in the Air Force for four years, worked as a machinist/technician for the majority of his career and was most recently employed as a medical extrusion operator for Smart Drug Systems.

He was a Boy Scout troop leader for many years, he assisted the Westerly/Pawcatuck YMCA Dolphins through quite a few undefeated seasons, and was a loving husband and father, first, a drag racing enthusiast, and a lover of life, family, Volkswagens, sailing and wind surfing.

There will be a viewing on Monday, Sept. 29, with calling hours from 5 - 7 p.m., and a memorial service on Tuesday at 4 p.m. Both will be held at Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, Main Street, Westerly.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to the Westerly/Pawcatuck YMCA Swim Team.
Anne Swan

Mystic — Anne O'Keefe Swan, 88, of 51 Church St., died Tuesday at The Westerly Hospital.

Mrs. Swan was born on Feb. 18, 1908, in Pawcatuck, the daughter of William and Mary Ellen Fallon O'Keefe.

She was married to Hubert Watson, who died in 1940. She married Walter Swan, who also predeceased her.

A lifelong resident of the area, she was employed as a housemother and supervisor at the former Mystic Oral School, retiring in 1975.

She was a member of the Stonington Senior Citizens, the Harley P. Chase Post No. 1265 V.F.W. Auxiliary, a former member of the Mystic Rebekah Lodge and a communicant of St. Patrick Church, Mystic.

Mrs. Swan is survived by two daughters, Betty Swan of Mystic and Sharon Thurston of Central Village; two sons, Hubert Watson of Stonington and Bill Watson of Mystic; a brother, Herbert O'Keefe of Pawcatuck; 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by a grandson, Keith Watson.

The funeral service will be private. There are no calling hours. The Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mystic River Ambulance Association, P.O. Box 64, West Mystic, Ct., 06388.
Mystic — Michael A. Swan, 65, of Mystic, died Sunday, July 1, 2018, with his family by his side after a brief illness.

Born in Westerly, he was the son of Elizabeth (Watson) Swan of Groton and the late Arthur W. Swan, and lived in Mystic for most of his life.

He was a shipfitter and later worked in the Quality Assurance Department at Electric Boat. He was employed with EB for more than 30 years.

He was also a life member of the Mystic Hook and Ladder Company.

Mike’s heart was filled with love for his nieces and nephews, never missing their birthdays and holidays. He took pride in hiding the eggs on Easter, one color for each child. He was also called Dr. Doolittle because of his kindness and gentleness with family pets and their tendency to run to him when he came into a room.

In addition to his mother, he leaves a brother, Peter K. Swan and his wife Lee Ann of Mystic; a niece, Rebecca Moore and her husband Jonathan; a great-niece, Hannah; and two great-nephews, Caleb and Bennett.

Services will be private.
Patricia Swan

Mystic — Patricia W. Swan, 87, retired architect, resident of StoneRidge Retirement Community, Mystic, died after a brief illness, surrounded by her family and friends, on Monday, Jan. 23, 2012.

She was born on April 21, 1924 in Malden, Mass., to Mary and Dewey Swan, and grew up in Greenwich. She attended Antioch College, then served in the Women's Army Corps (WAC) from 1944 to 1946. She graduated from Columbia University, earning her architectural degree in 1951. She worked for 35 years for Skidmore, Owings and Merrill, an international architectural/engineering firm in their New York and Denver offices. Pat retired as an associate partner.

After retirement in 1996, Pat spent her summers on Block Island with family and friends. She devoted her time to the arts, as both an artist herself and an enthusiastic supporter of many others' artistic efforts. At StoneRidge she chaired the Art Committee establishing monthly retrospective and group shows.

Pat is survived by a brother, William Swan of Somers, N.Y.; a sister, Sandy Swan Gensmer of Block Island; five nieces, Lorie Sava of Stonington, Cyndi Lago of Springfield, Mass., Amy Swan of Mystic, Pam Goller of Franklin, Mass., and Christi Skardon of Sleepy Hollow, N.Y.; as well as eight grandnephews, two grandnieces, and two great-grandnephews. She is also survived by her good friend, Rose Mastrangelo.

The family wishes to extend their enormous gratitude to the staff at Avalon Health Center and Beacon Hospice.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. Feb. 11, at the Mystic Congregational Church, 43 East Main St., Mystic.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Friends of Niki Trench Garden at Avalon, c/o StoneRidge, 186 Jerry Browne Road, Mystic, CT 06355.

The DiNoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., historic downtown Mystic is assisting the family.

To share a note of remembrance/condolence with her family, please visit www.dinotofuneral.com.
Jule Swartz

Stonington — Jule F. Swartz, 82, of Pawcatuck, passed away on June 12, 2012, at his home.

He was born on Feb. 4, 1930, on Martha’s Vineyard, the son of Manuel and Edna (Lowell) Swartz.

Jule was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War and had spent his career working for the U.S. Postal Service.

His family will be greeting family and friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, June 15, at Byles-Groton Memorial Home, 310 Thames St.

Jule Swartz

Stonington — Jule F. Swartz, 82, of Pawcatuck passed away on June 12, 2012, from a long illness.

He was born Feb. 4, 1930, in Oak Bluffs, Mass., the son of Manuel and Edna (Lowell) Swartz. He attended Oak Bluffs High School, graduating in 1950. He then served in the U.S. Army from 1951 to 1953. He was vice commander of the Mystic VFW Post 3263 in 1981.


He is survived by his sons, Michael E. Swartz of Connecticut and Lawrence F. Swartz of New London; a daughter, Linda A. Swartz of Mystic; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; and many friends and numerous pals from the Westerly Senior Center.

He was predeceased by a brother, Michael Swartz, in 1992; a stepsister, Betty Johnson, in 2008; and Lois A. Swartz in June 2004.

His hobbies were playing horseshoes, watching the Red Sox and spending time with his beautiful cat, Misty.

Funeral services will be held at a later date on Martha’s Vineyard.

Byles Memorial Home of Groton is assisting the family with arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Living Hope Christian Fellowship, Attn.: Luciano Cozzi, Gales Ferry, or to Hospice Southeastern Connecticut, 227 Dunham St., Norwich CT 06359.
James Sweet, 56

Stonington dentist

North Stonington — Dr. James Richard Sweet, D.M.D., 56, of 68 Mystic Road, died Monday at his home.

Dr. Sweet was born on Nov. 10, 1940, in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., the son of Dorothy Van Twisk Sweet of Hallowell, Maine, and the late Richard Benton Sweet.

He was a 1968 graduate of Abington High School and a 1969 graduate of The Peddie School. He earned a bachelor's degree in general science from the University of Rochester and his D.M.D. degree from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine.

He served as a captain in the U.S. Army Medical Corps from 1967 to 1969. He has practiced dental medicine in Stonington and Pawcatuck since 1970.

Dr. Sweet served on the North Stonington Public Health Nursing Board and the North Stonington Planning and Zoning Commission. He was a member of the Watch Hill Yacht Club, where he once served on the board of directors, and was a member of the Mystic Rotary Club and the Mystic River Yachtsmen. He was a member and past president of the New London County Dental Society, was an active member of the North Stonington Congregational Church and the Elmridge Golf Course.

Besides his mother, Dr. Sweet is also survived by his wife, Susan Andrew Sweet; a son, Andrew Haworth Sweet of Boston, Mass.; two daughters, Megan Traver Sweet of Boston and Caitlin Garner Sweet of Mystic; a brother, Peter Benton Sweet of Portland, Ore.; and two sisters, Sue Van Hook of Cambridge, N.Y., and Elizabeth Sweet of Hallowell.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at North Stonington Congregational Church, 89 Main St., North Stonington. Calling hours are 6-8 tonight at Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic.

Memorial contributions may be made to North Stonington Congregational Church, P.O. Box 66, North Stonington, 06359; or the Leukemia Society, 1125 Dixwell Ave., Hamden, CT, 06514.
Miriam Sweetland

Mystic — Miriam T. (Kirven) Sweetland, 90, of Mystic, wife of the late Ralph G. Sweetland, passed away at the Westerly Nursing Home on Friday, March 7, 2014, where she was a recent resident.

Born in Montclair, N.J., she was the daughter of the late Frank and Miriam (Whitaker) Kirven and lived in Mystic for 60 years. Raised in Montclair, she attended local schools and was a graduate of Colby Junior College.

Miriam worked as an office manager for a Mystic medical office until her retirement.

She is survived by her daughter, Wendy Valentine and granddaughter, Jennifer Valentine.

She was preceded by a son, Philip Sweetland.

Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the ASPCA by going to www.ASPCA.org.

The Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, has charge of arrangements.
Henry Swody
Stonington — Henry "Hank" Swody, 84, of 64 Pellegrino Road, Stonington died Sunday, Feb. 1, 2004 at the Westerly Hospital.

He was born July 16, 1919 in N. Plainfield, N.J., the son of Henry and Katherine Murrey Swody.

He spent 37 years in federal service, 22 years with the U.S. Coast Guard and 15 years with Civil Service as an electrician at the Sub Base in Groton.

Mr. Swody was a veteran of World War II and Korea.

While renting a room from Hilda Andersen at Sunnybrook Farm in Narragansett, R.I., he met and eventually married Thelma Sophia Andersen on Sept. 21, 1945. Due to his new mother-in-law's illness, Hank provided for Hilda and sister-in-law Doris and 11 year old brother-in-law George, with whom he had a lifelong paternal relationship.

He was a devoted family man, a hunter, fisherman and sports enthusiast.

His greatest joy was attending every game and practice that his grandchildren participated in.

Besides his loving wife he is survived by a daughter, Susan and her husband J. Michael Schormerhorn of Norwich and three grandchildren, Erika, Krista and David.

The memorial service and interment will be private. There are no visiting hours.

Byls Memorial Home, 99 Huntington St. New London is in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be directed to your favorite charity.
Lionel J. Sylvestre

Lionel J. Sylvestre, 87, of 880 Stonington Road, Pawcatuck, died Tuesday evening, Oct. 24, 2000, at Marian Health Care at Pendleton in Mystic, where he had been a patient for the past month.

Born in Rawdon, Canada, Oct. 20, 1913, he was a son of the late Ephraim and Delina (Facotte) Sylvestre.

He married the former Mary Bessette on May 25, 1940, in St. Mary Church, Stonington.

Mr. Sylvestre had been employed at the American Velvet Company in Stonington for more than 27 years as a supervisor in the weaving department and as a floor manager. He retired in 1978.

He also had been associated with the Buze Monument Company across the street from his home, and had worked on the Fisherman's Memorial at the Stonington Town Dock and on the monument at Stonington Point. He was a member of the Stonington Ambulance Corps, a life member of the Wauquequeque Fire Department, and an honorary life member of the Nixa Council #43, Knights of Columbus, of Stonington.

He was a communicant of St. Mary Church in Stonington.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three sons, Richard Sylvestre of Pawcatuck, George Sylvestre of Mystic, and Roger Sylvestre of Northford; five daughters, Jeanne and Howard Elrodge and Irene and Joseph McNamara, of Pawcatuck, Lora and Peter Brodeur of Westerly, Margaret Costa of Pawcatuck, and Elaine Fallon of Hudson, Mass.; two sisters, Laurea Daignault of Jewett City, and Annette St. John of Riverside, Calif.; 23 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by 11 brothers and sisters.

The funeral will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday from the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 2, Mystic, with a Funeral Mass at 10 a.m. at St. Mary Church in Stonington. Burial will be in St. Mary Cemetery.

Calling hours are 4 to 7 tonight at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Stonington Ambulance Corps, P.O. Box 498, Stonington, CT.
Mary Sylvestre
Stonington — Mary Bessette Sylvestre, 86, of 880 Stonington Road, died Friday at her home.

Mrs. Sylvestre was born in Stonington on May 14, 1915, daughter of the late Arsen and Rose Martin Bessette.

She married Lionel Sylvestre on May 25, 1940, at St. Mary Church in Stonington. He died in October 2000.

She worked at the former A. Wood Machine Co. in Stonington and was a communicant of St. Mary Church in Stonington.

She is survived by three sons, Richard Sylvestre, of Pawcatuck, George Sylvestre, of Mystic, and Roger Sylvestre, of Wallingford; five daughters, Jeannette Eldridge of Pawcatuck, Doris Brodeur of Westerly, Irene McKernan of Pawcatuck, Margaret Costa of Pawcatuck, and Elaine Fallon of Hudson, Mass.; one brother, Albert Bessette of Stonington; two sisters, Theresa Fallon of Pawcatuck and Rita Leary of Windsor Locks; 23 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

She was predeceased by one sister, Blanche Stillman, and four brothers, Eugene, Lionel, Henry and Edward Bessette.

The funeral will be at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, with a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Mary Church at 10 a.m. Burial will be in St. Mary Cemetery.

Visiting hours are 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Contributions may be made in her memory to the Hospice of Southeastern Connecticut, P.O. Box 902, Uncasville, CT 06382-0902.
Albert Sylvia

Westerly — Albert Sylvia Jr., 80, of 13 Crestview Drive, Apt. 3C, died Monday at the Westerly Hospital.

He was born on May 11, 1917, in Stonington, the son of the late Albert and Mary Marshall Sylvia Sr.

He married Dorothy Berry. She predeceased him. He married Remedios Hernandez.

Mr. Sylvia worked as an airline pilot and aircraft mechanic for U.S. Steel Co. for 25 years in Birmingham, Ala., and Pittsburgh. He served in the Army Air Corps in the Pacific Theater during World War II. He was a member of the Quit Birdman, an airline association.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a son, Albert Sylvia III of Arcadia, Calif.; a stepson, Benjamin Hernandez of Westerly; and a sister, Beverly Dudley of Horsehead, N.Y.

The funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly. Burial will be in the Stonington Cemetery. Calling hours are 7-9 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.
Anthony Sylvia Jr.

Pawcatuck — Anthony P. Sylvia Jr., 80, of Pawcatuck, died Monday, Nov. 6, 2017, at Lawrence + Memorial Hospital in New London.

He was born on Sept. 25, 1937, in Stonington, the son of Anthony P. Sylvia Sr. and Esther L. (Dotolo) Sylvia.

He grew up in Stonington and graduated from Stonington High School. He was a veteran, serving in the U.S. Army from 1959 to 1962. Tony worked for over 35 years as a pipefitter at Electric Boat, retiring in 1999.

He is survived by his sister, Stella Little of Oklahoma and her family; and his cousin, Patricia Bard of Mystic and her family.

His family will greet relatives and friends from 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14, at the Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic. A graveside service will follow at 11:30 a.m. in St. Michael’s Cemetery, Pawcatuck.

Donations in his memory may be made to Paralyzed Veterans of America.

To share a message of condolence with his family, please visit www.dinotofuneral.com.
SYLVIA — In Uncasville, Conn., June 10, 1972, Arthur M. Sylvia, aged 70, husband of the late Mary Tavares Sylvia.

Funeral will be held at the Shea-Williams Funeral Home, 110 W. Broad St., Pawcatuck, Tuesday, June 13 at 8:30 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial in St. Mary's Church, Stonington at 9 a.m. Interment in St. Mary's Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home today, 1-4, 7-9 p.m.

Arthur M. Sylvia

Arthur M. Sylvia, 70, of 56 Elm St., Stonington, died at Uncas-on-Thames last evening after a long illness.

He was the husband of Mary Tavares Sylvia, who died in 1966.

Born in St. Miguel, the Azores, Dec. 20, 1901, he was the son of Manuel and Amelia Medeiros Sylvia.

He had lived in Stonington for the last 64 years and was a weaver with the American Velvet Co. for many years before retiring in 1965.

He was a member of St. Mary's Church.

Survivors include two sons, Robert of Stonington and Rich Sylvia of Pawcatuck; a daughter, Mrs. William Clay Jr. of Stonington; two brothers, Virgino of Montreal, Canada and Joseph Sylvia of St. Miguel; three sisters, Mrs. Fernanda Medeiros of St. Miguel, Mrs. Frank Montz of Stonington and Mrs. Clotilde Gonsales of Brazil; seven grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday from the Shea-Williams Funeral Home, Pawcatuck, to a Mass of Christian Burial at 9 a.m. at St. Mary's Church. Interment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Calling hours are from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.
MRS. GEORGE W. SYLVA

Mystic — Helen Mary (Mendonsa) Sylvia, 58, of Chapman Road, was dead on arrival Friday at Westerly Hospital after being stricken in the Stonington Tax Collector’s Office.

She was born in Stonington, April 16, 1919, the daughter of Joseph and Mae (Vargas) Mendonsa.

She leaves her husband, George W. Sylvia, two daughters, Helene Martin of Groton, and Mary Ellen Sylvia of Berwyn, Pa.; a foster daughter, Barbara Lange of Neshatuck, Wis.; and six grandchildren.

SYLVIA — In Westerly, R.I., March 17, 1978, Helen Mary (Mendonsa) Sylvia, 58, of Chapman Road, Quimbaug, Mystic, wife of George W. Sylvia. Funeral will be held from Shea-Williams Funeral Home, 110 West Broad St., Pawcatuck, Monday, March 20 at 11:30 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial at St. Mary Church, Stonington at 9 a.m. Interment in St. Mary Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home today from 7 to 9 p.m.
Robert Sylvia

Robert A. Sylvia, 55, of 58 Elm St., Stonington, one of the original members of the Stonington Borough Planning and Zoning Commission, died Wednesday evening at Hospice in Branford, Conn., following a lengthy illness.

He was the husband of Doris (Heineil) Sylvia, whom he married in Stonington Nov. 8, 1952.

Mr. Sylvia had been employed for over 35 years at the American Velvet in Stonington, most recently as supervisor of the weaving department.

He was a lifelong resident of Stonington and attended the Stonington High School.

An Army veteran of the Korean Conflict, Mr. Sylvia was a member of Harley P. Chase VFW Post in Pawcatuck, and a former member of the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society. He was a communicant of St. Mary's Church in Stonington.

Born Aug. 24, 1921 in Westerly, he was a son of the late Arthur and Mary (Travers) Sylvia. Surviving besides his wife are three sons, Steven Sylvia, David Sylvia and Paul Sylvia of Stonington, a daughter, Roberta Bridgman of Norwich; a brother, Rick Sylvia of Pawcatuck; a sister, Clementine McNulty of Safety Harbor, Fla.; and several nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Mary's Church, Stonington, Saturday at 10 a.m. Interment will be in Stonington Cemetery. There are no calling hours.

Helene Sylvia

Helene Mary (Mendonsa) Sylvia, 59, of Chapman Road, Quambough, wife of George W. Sylvia, was dead on arrival at the Westerly Hospital Friday after being stricken while in the Town Hall in Stonington.

Born in Stonington April 16, 1919, Mrs. Sylvia was the daughter of Joseph and Mae (Vargas) Mendonsa. In addition to her husband, Mrs. Sylvia leaves two daughters, Helene Martin of Groton, and Mary Ellen Sylvia of Berwyn, Pa.; a foster daughter, Barbara Lange of Nashotuck, Wis., and six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 8:30 a.m. from the Shea-Williams Funeral Home in Pawcatuck, to a mass of Christian burial at St. Mary's Church in Stonington at 9 o'clock. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery in Stonington. Calling hours are tomorrow from 7 to 9 o'clock.

MRS. MARY SYLVIA

STONINGTON — Mrs. Mary Tavares Sylvia, 61, of 58 Elm St., wife of Arthur M. Sylvia, died last night at Westerly Hospital after a long illness.

A lifelong resident, Mrs. Sylvia was born in Stonington Sept. 14, 1914, daughter of Manual and Maria Tavares. At one time she was employed at the American Velvet Co.

She was a member of Ninas Circle, Daughters of Isabella, and a communicant of St. Mary's Church.

Besides her husband, she leaves two sons, Robert Arthur of Stonington and Ricardo Sylvia of Fairfield; a daughter, Mrs. William Clay of Stonington, and two grandchildren.

The funeral will be from the Shea-Williams Funeral Home, Pawcatuck, at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday to a Requiem Mass at St. Mary's Church at 10 a.m. Interment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home from 7 to 9 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. tomorrow.
John M. Sylvia

John M. Sylvia, 70, died on July 5, 2000, at his home in Orlando, Fla. He was the beloved husband of Arlene (Moosey) Sylvia.

Born on July 17, 1929, in Stonington, he was the son of the late Manuel R. and Lucy (Pent) Sylvia.

Mr. Sylvia resided in Pawcatuck and was employed by Electric Boat General Dynamics. After retiring, he moved to Orlando and was employed by Orange County Public Works.

He served as a sergeant in the United States Army during the Korean War.

He was a dedicated husband, father and grandfather. He was also an avid woodworker specializing in doll houses.

In addition to his wife of 47 years, he leaves three daughters, Susan Wilson of Winter Park, Fla., Arlene Sylvia of Melbourne, Fla., and Lori Duermeyer of Fort Worth, Texas; two grandsons and two granddaughters; four brothers, Joseph F. Sylvia of North Stonington, Edward F. Sylvia and Franklin D. Sylvia, both of Pawcatuck, and Raymond R. Sylvia of Hope Valley; five sisters, Dorothy S. Moosey of Westerly, Georgina Sylvia of Westport, Mass., Lucy Sylvia and Patricia Sylvia, both of Pawcatuck, and Mary E. Moosey of Colchester, Conn.

He was predeceased by a brother, Manuel R. Sylvia who was killed in action during World War II on Okinawa; and a sister, Rose Marie S. Record of Westerly.

A graveside service was celebrated on Saturday, July 8, at Glenhaven Memorial Park in Orlando. Funeral arrangements were made by Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Orlando. A memorial service will be held at a later date.
June S. (Chafee) Sylvia

PAWCATUCK - June S. (Chafee) Sylvia, 77, beloved wife of Franklin D. Sylvia for 62 years, passed away at her home in Pawcatuck, Conn. on Monday, April 4, 2016.

Born in Wakefield, she was the daughter of the late George and Susan Chafee. June was a L.P.N. at The Westerly Hospital for 33 years until her retirement. She loved to travel and enjoyed flea markets and playing bingo. She was an avid walker who was often accompanied by her husband and dog, Abby.

In addition to her husband, she leaves four daughters, Pamela Abbruzzese and husband, Ron, Karen Cullen and husband, Jeff, Amy Sisk and husband, Mike, all of Pawcatuck, and Peggy Dolan, of Westerly; and two sisters, Georgeanne Redfear, of Harrisonburg, Va., and Deborah Lennon, of N. Kingstown. June is also survived by eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a brother, Dale Chafee.

Visiting hours will be held on Thursday, April 7, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Gaffney-Dolen Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly. A funeral service will take place in the funeral home on Friday, April 8, at 11 a.m. immediately followed by burial at River Band Cemetery, Westerly. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Vitas Healthcare, 828 Hebron Ave., Bldg. 2, Suite 300, Glastonbury, CT 06033 in June's memory. For online condolences, please visit www.gaffneydolenufuneralhome.com
Louise Sylvia

Groton — Louise Dotolo Sylvia, 83, of 1039 Poquonnock Road, formerly of Westerly, died Sunday at Mystic Manor Convalescent Center, where she had been a patient since 1993.

Mrs. Sylvia was born on April 19, 1908, in New London, the daughter of Angelo and Michelina Dotolo.

She married Anthony P. Silvia in 1935, in Westerly. He died on May 17, 1980.

She worked at the George C. Moore Co. in Westerly for many years.

Mrs. Sylvia is survived by a son, Anthony P. Silvia Jr. of Pawcatuck; a daughter, Stella Little of Oklahoma City, Okla.; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

She was predeceased by three brothers, Wesley, Nick and Louis Dotolo; and three sisters, Lillian Font, Jennie Victoria, and Ida Priore.

The funeral will assemble at 8:45 a.m. Thursday at Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 9:30 a.m. at St. Michael's Church, Pawcatuck. Burial will be in St. Michael's Cemetery. Calling hours are 7-9 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.
Mary Sylvia

Pawcatuck — Mary Costa Sylvia, 96, formerly of Pawcatuck, died Monday at Kimberly Hall, Windsor.

She was born on June 11, 1904, in St. Michael, Azores, Portugal, the daughter of the late Frank and Charlotte Costa.

She was the widow of August Sylvia.

Mrs. Sylvia was a homemaker all her life.

She was a communicant of St. Mary’s Church in Stonington, and was a member of the Ladies of Fatima, the Daughters of Isabella, and an auxiliary member of the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society.

She is survived by two daughters, Theresa Bell of Poway, Calif., and Elizabeth Hurtado of Windsor; a sister, Virginia Ponte of Stonington; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday at St. Mary’s Church. Burial will be in St. Mary Cemetery.

There is no procession from the funeral home.

Calling hours are 6-8 p.m. Thursday at the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 58 Spruce St., Westerly.
Robert Sylvia

Robert A. Sylvia, 55, of 53 Elm St., Stonington, one of the original members of the Stonington Borough Planning and Zoning Commission, died Wednesday evening at Hospice in Branford, Conn., following a lengthy illness. He was the husband of Doris (Heidorn) Sylvia whom he married in Stonington Nov. 8, 1952. Mr. Sylvia had been employed for over 35 years at the American Velvet in Stonington, most recently as supervisor of the weaving department. He was a lifelong resident of Stonington and attended the Stonington High School. An Army veteran of the Korean Conflict, Mr. Sylvia was a member of Harley P. Chase VFW Post in Pawcatuck, and a former member of the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society. He was a communicant of St. Mary's Church in Stonington. Born Aug. 24, 1931 in Westerly, he was a son of the late Arthur and Mary (Travers) Sylvia. Surviving besides his wife are three sons, Steven Sylvia, David Sylvia and Paul Sylvia of Stonington, a daughter, Roberta Bridgman of Norwich; a brother, Rick Sylvia of Pawcatuck; a sister, Clementine McNulty of Safety Harbor, Fla.; and several nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Mary's Church, Stonington, Saturday at 10 a.m. Interment will be in Stonington Cemetery. There are no calling hours. Contributions may be made in his memory to the Connecticut Hospice Inc., 61 Burnam Drive, Branford, Conn., 06405. Thomas L. Nellis & Sons

MRS. MARY SYLVA
Succumbs at 61

STONINGTON — Mrs. Mary Tavares Sylvia, 61, of 56 Elm St., wife of Arthur M. Sylvia, died last night at Weerly Hospital after a long illness.

A lifelong resident, Mrs. Sylvia was born in Stonington Sept. 10, 1919, daughter of Manuel and Maria Tavares At one time she was employed at the American Velvet Co. She was a member of Nina Circle, Daughters of Isabella, and a communicant of St. Mary's Church.

Besides her husband, she leaves two sons, Robert Arthur of Stonington and Ricardo Sylvia of Fairfield; a daughter, Mrs. William Clay of Stonington, and two grandchildren.

The funeral will be from the Shea-Williams Funeral Home, Pawcatuck, at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday to a Requiem High Mass at St. Mary's Church at 9. Interment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home from 7 to 9 tonight and 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. tomorrow.

Helene Sylvia

Helene Mary (Mendonsa) Sylvia, 58, of Chapman Road, Quanabau, wife of George W. Sylvia, was dead on arrival at The Westerly Hospital Friday after being stricken while in the Town Hall in Stonington.

Born in Stonington April 16, 1919, Mrs. Sylvia was the daughter of Joseph and Mae (Vargas) Mendonsa. In addition to her husband, Mrs. Sylvia leaves two daughters, Helene Martin of Groton, and Mary Ellen Sylvia of Berwyn, Ill.; a foster daughter, Barbara Lange of Nashua, N.H.; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 8:30 a.m. from the Shea-Williams Funeral Home in Pawcatuck, to a Mass of Christian burial at St. Mary's Church in Stonington at 9 o'clock. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery in Stonington. Calling hours are tonight from 7-9 o'clock.

Sylvia — In Westerly, R.I., March 17, 1978, Helene Mary (Mendonsa) Sylvia, age 58, of Chapman Road, Quanabau, wife of George W. Sylvia. Funeral will be held from the Shea-Williams Funeral Home, 110 West Broad St., Pawcatuck, Monday, March 20 at 8:30 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial at St. Mary's Church, Stonington at 9 a.m. Interment in St. Mary's Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home Sunday 7-9 p.m.
Ricardo Sylvia

Wednesday — Ricardo W.
"Rick" Sylvia passed away Wednesday, June 11, 2014, at his home surrounded by his loving family.

Born in Westerly, on Dec. 9, 1927, he was the son of the late Arthur and Mary (Tavares) Sylvia.

Mr. Sylvia was educated in the Stonington schools and Bryant College. He served in the U.S. Army from 1959 to 1962 as an electronics operator at the Nike missile sites located in Portland and Swedesboro, N.J. Mr. Sylvia worked in the accounting field for different industries in the local area, retiring in 1996.

He spent many years as an usher at St. Mary Church of Stonington and served on its finance committee.

He will be sadly missed by his wife of 47 years, Ger- ele (Higginbotham) Sylvia; and his daughters and their husbands, Heidi and Andrew Schilke, Holly and Christopher Miller; along with his pride and joy, his grandchildren, Nicholas, Sam and Alison Schilke, Emma and Nathan Miller. He also leaves several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Sylvia was predeceased by his brother, Robert Sylvia and sister, Clementine Clay.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 14, 2014, at St. Mary Church, 95 Main St., Stonington. Burial will follow in Stonington Cemetery. Calling hours are respectfully omitted.

The family would like to thank Dr. James Scoville for his compassionate care shown to Rick during his illness.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Mr. Sylvia's memory to the American Lung Association, 200 West Exchange St., Suite 102-B, Providence, RI, 02903.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Backler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly.
Robert Sylvia

Robert A. Sylvia, 55, of 58 Elm St., Stonington, one of the original members of the Stonington Borough Planning and Zoning Commission, died Wednesday evening at Hospice in Branford, Conn., following a lengthy illness.

He was the husband of Doris (Heinold) Sylvia whom he married in Stonington Nov. 8, 1952.

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He was a lifelong resident of Stonington and attended the Stonington High School.

An Army veteran of the Korean Conflict, Mr. Sylvia was a member of Harley P. Chase VFW Post in Pawcatuck, and a former member of the Portuguese Holy Ghost Society. He was a communicant of St. Mary’s Church in Stonington.

Born Aug. 24, 1913 in Westerly, he was a son of the late Arthur and Mary (Travers) Sylvia. Surviving besides his wife are three sons, Steven Sylvia, David Sylvia and Paul Sylvia of Stonington, a daughter, Roberta Bridgman of Norwich; a brother, Rick Sylvia of Pawcatuck; a sister, Clementine McNullity of Safety Harbor, Fla., and several nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Mary’s Church, Stonington, Saturday at 10 a.m. Interment will be in Stonington Cemetery. There are no calling hours. Contributions may be made in his memory to the Connecticut Hospice Inc., 61 Burban Drive, Branford, Conn., 06405. Thomas L. Neill & Sons Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, is in charge of arrangements.

Helene Sylvia

Helene Mary (Mendosa) Sylvia, 69, of Chapman Road, Quimbaugh, wife of George W. Sylvia, was dead on arrival at the Western Hospital Friday after being stricken while in the town hall in Stonington.

Born in Stonington April 16, 1913, Mrs. Sylvia was the daughter of Joseph and Mae (Vargas) Mendosa. In addition to her husband, Mrs. Sylvia leaves two daughters, Helene Martin of Groton, and Mary Ellen Sylvia of Berwyn, Pa.; a brother, George Leong of Nashua, N.H.; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 8:30 a.m. from the Shea-Williams Funeral Home in Pawcatuck, to a mass of Christian burial at St. Mary’s Church in Stonington at 9 o’clock. Burial will be in St. Mary’s Cemetery in Stonington. Calling hours are tonight from 7-9 o’clock.

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Ronald Sylvia

Ledyard — Ronald "Pearlie" Sylvia, 77, of Ledyard, husband of the late Judy (Mather) Sylvia, passed away Tuesday, June 21, 2011, at home.

Born in Stonington, he was the son of the late Richard and Agnes (Sylvia) Longo-lucco.

Ron served his country for four years in the U.S. Air Force and was honorably discharged in 1955.

He was a TV repairman for 30 years with the former Kent's TV on Flanders Road in Stonington and was employed at Paul Care for 25 years in Pawcatuck.

He is survived by his daughter, Diane Douville and her husband, Woody, of Pawcatuck; granddaughter Aimee Douville of Pawcatuck; three sisters, Santa MacDougall, Mary Hattfield and her husband, Marion, and Patricia Brewer, all of Westerly; and his special niece and nephew, Kim Gingerella of Westerly and Jamie Longolucco and his wife, Amber, of Griswold.

Ron loved his family and had a great sense of humor. He will be remembered as a hard worker, having a heart of gold, and being generous to all.

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, June 24, at the Stonington Cemetery. There are no calling hours.

Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online expression of sympathy.
Victoria Sylvia
New London
Victoria L. Sylvia, 88, of 231 Crystal Ave., died Wednesday evening at the Bayview Health Care Center.

She was born Nov. 11, 1907, in Norwich, the daughter of Alexander and Blanche Mikolajski Zalewski.


Mrs. Sylvia had been employed at the former Mylboro's, Selmers and Randy's bakeries.

She was a communicant of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Quaker Hill, a member of the church ladies guild, the Father Brennan Circle Daughters of Isabella, New London Holy Ghost Society, New London Senior Citizens Association, where she served as program director and chorus member; and the former Kenomee Grange.


She was predeceased by a brother, Peter Zalewski, three sisters, Helen Soboy, Joan Bearden, and Alice Tomaski, and a granddaughter, Deborah Schmidt.

The funeral procession will assemble at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at the Thomas L. Nolin & Sons Funeral Home, 12 Ocean Ave., and proceed to a Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church. Burial will be in St. Mary Cemetery.

Calling hours are 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. today at the funeral home.
William Sylvia Sr.

Groton — William "Bill" Thomas Sylvia Sr., 84, husband of the late
Frances M. Devine Sylvia, died
Monday May 9, 2006, at Lawrence
Memorial Hospital in New Lon-
don.

Mr. Sylvia was born on Oct. 7,
1921, in Stonington, the son of the
late John and
Leah Sylvia.
He graduated
from Stoning-
ton High
School, where
he was a
member of
the football
team in 1934,
and he attend-
ed the Univer-
sity of Rhode Island.

He is survived by a daughter and
son-in-law, Susan S. and Rodney E.
Wells of East Lyme; a son and
daughter-in-law, William T. Sylvia
Jr., D.M.D., and Carol A. Blanchard.
D.D.S., of Lawrence, Mass., a grand-
daughter and her husband, Loretta
and Benjamin Walker; and two
great-grandchildren, Jared William
and Justin David Walker. He is also
survived by two sisters-in-law,
Loretta D. Buckley of Westerly, R.I.,
and Antia D. Behnean of Virginia
Beach, Va.

Mr. Sylvia was also preceded
by a brother, John Sylvia; as well as
two sisters, Helen Sylvia Peiffer and
Marion Sylvia Pardoe.

He had retired from Pfizer Inc. in
1983 as a welder and pipefitter after
32 years of service. Bill was an avid
golfer and a member of the
Shanecossett Golf Club in Groton
for more than 45 years. In 1996, he
won the annual Pfizer Golf Tourna-
ment.

He was also a member of the Sa-
cred Heart Church in Groton as well
as the Groton Senior Center. In addi-
tion, he was a dedicated sports fan
of the Boston Red Sox, New
England Patriots and the UConn
Huskies.

A Mass of Christian Burial will
be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at the
Sacred Heart Church in Groton
with a private burial for family
members to follow in the Colonel
Ledyard Cemetery.

Donations in Mr. Sylvia's memo-
rty may be made to the Visiting
Nurses Assoc. of S.E. Ct, 403 N.
Frontage Road, Waterford, or the Sa-
cred Heart Church, Sacred Heart
Drive, Groton.
Joan (Grills) Szczepanik

PAWCATUCK — Joan (Grills) Szczepanik, 78, of Pinehurst, NC passed away Thursday, March 1, 2018. Born in Pawcatuck, CT, on March 21, 1939, Joan was the daughter of the late John and Gertrude (Cotnon) Grills. She was predeceased by her brother John Grills Jr. Besides her husband of 23 years, Hank Szczepanik, she is survived by her granddaughter Candice Szczepanik of Providence, R.I., her brother Alfred Grills and his wife Nancy of Pawcatuck CT, two stepsons, Thomas Szczepanik of West End, NC, and Michael Szczepanik of South Carolina, along with uncles, aunts, nieces and nephews. A member of the Pinehurst Country Club for 23 years, Joan was an avid and accomplished golfer. She won 7 Puttersboy trophies and shot 7 hole-in-ones. Her warmth, humor, and beauty will be sadly missed. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to First Health Hospice.