NATIVE OF PRESTON
DIES AT AGE OF 88

(Special to The Bulletin)

Westerly, R. L., Jan. 4—Saturday
evening, Mrs. Happy Lawton Yer-
rington, 88, of Westerly, died at the
home of her niece, Mrs. George F.
Barbour, of Avondale, R. L., with
whom she had made her home since
last March.

She was born in Preston, Conn., on
Aug. 23, 1836, the daughter of Mas-
son Wilcox and Louisa Brown Wil-
cox. While a child she came with her
parents to Quilumba, where she
lived for a number of years.

Sept. 13, 1857, she was united in
marriage with John Yerrington of
North Stonington. They came to
Westerly about 52 years ago and for
a number of years lived on Dixon
street and later on Moss street. Mr.
Yerrington died April 1, 1913. In
March, 1934, Mrs. Yerrington went to
make her home with her niece at
Avondale.

Throughout her life Mrs. Yerrin-
ton had always been interested in
church work. When a young girl she
united with the Second Baptist
church in Mystic. Later she joined
the Preston City church, and on July
1, 1908, she took her letter from the
Preston City church to the First
Baptist church of Westerly. She led
a quiet life and made many friends
during her 60 years' residence here.
She leaves several nieces and neph-
ews, also grandnieces and grand-
nephews.

YERRINGTON—In Avondale, R. I.,
Jan. 3, 1935, Mrs. Happy Lawton
Wilcox Yerrington, widow of John
Yerrington, aged 88 years, 4 months.
Funeral Tuesday, Jan. 9, at 2 p. m., at
the home of her niece, Mrs. George F.
Barbour, Avondale, R. I. Interment
in River Bend cemetery. Relatives
and friends invited to attend with-
out further notice.
Millicent Yinkey

Millicent (Barham) Yinkey, 91, of Tipping Rock Road, Stonington, died peacefully on Sunday, June 11, 2006, at her home. She was the wife of the late Arden Yinkey, Jr.

Mrs. Yinkey was born in Los Angeles, Calif., on April 6, 1915. She was the daughter of the late Guy and Mary (Baby) Barham.

Millicent was a member of the Wadawanuck Club in Stonington and the Garden Club of Stonington.

Mrs. Yinkey is survived by her children, Charles B. Yinkey and wife Edith Yinkey of Maryland, Anne Y. Helm and husband Harold Helm of Kentucky, Elizabeth W.Y. Moore and husband Clement Moore of Maryland and Watch Hill, and Susan G. Yinkey of New York City. She also leaves four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

A celebration of her life will be held at a time and place to be announced.

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

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the: Stonington Free Library, P.O. Box 232, Stonington, CT 06378 or to Hospice of Southeastern CT, 179 Gallivan Lane, Uncasville, CT 06382.
Edward Palmer York Jr.


Born on Dec. 12, 1912, he was the son of Edward Palmer York and Muriel (Gould) York. He grew up in New York City and spent summers in Stonington at his parents' house in the Borough. His father was a New York City architect who worked with McKim, Mead and White and later established the firm of York and Sawyer that designed the Washington Trust bank in downtown Westerly.

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He later worked at Colonial Radio in Buffalo, N.Y.

During World War II he was recruited by Johns Hopkins University's Applied Physics Lab in Silver Spring, Md., to work on a secret weapons project to develop a proximity fuse, which significantly increased the effectiveness of anti-aircraft shells.

After the war, he worked at American Cyanamid in Stamford on spectrum analysis, and at Sperry Gyroscope Co. on Long Island on the development of the Gyrosyn compass used in aviation. He also had a strong interest in steam power, developing an experimental engine for his steam launch "Hero," which was written up in Yachting magazine.

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In 1963, he moved to San Juan, Puerto Rico, where he re-established his business as York Communications, and was a leading electronics service center for commercial vessels, cruise ships, and yachts. In 1976, he moved to Christiansted, St. Croix, where he remained active in business until he was nearly 80.

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He is survived by his wife, Nina; his three children by Rose York, Gillian (York) Willard and her husband, Thompson, of Baltimore, Edward Palmer York III and his wife, Elizabeth Hager, of San Francisco, and Eugene Van Wyck York and his wife, Georgia, of Stonington; his stepson, Michael Crompton and his wife, Marjeta Geering, of Miami Beach; two grandchildren, Gillian Willard Shafer of Baltimore, and Le Baron Sands Willard of New York City; and two great-grandchildren, Hadley Sands Shafer and McLean Willard Shafer. He was predeceased by his sisters, June York Bartram and Clarinda York Lincoln.

A memorial service will be held in Stonington, where he will be buried at a later date.
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Obituary


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Pendleton Hill Road died Thursday at his home after a long illness. Born in Stonington, Aug. 21, 1904, he was the son of Clayton P. and Sarah J. Frink York. Mr. York was a farmer for most of his life. He had worked as a crane operator in the foundry at The Cottrell Co., Pawcatuck, for 11 years, leaving there 19 years ago.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Eloise Dupont York; a son, Frank W. York of Hope Valley, R. I.; three daughters, Mrs. Shirley Burdick of Quonochontaug, R.I., Mrs. Anita Drake of Quaker Hill and Mrs. Nancy Kipp of Hope Valley; a brother, Fred P. York of Stonington; four sisters, Mrs. Lydia Brown of Westerly, Mrs. Sadie Y. Palmer and Mrs. Mildred Watrous, both of Stonington and Mrs. Bessie Gardiner of Pawcatuck and 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Shea-Williams Funeral Home, Pawcatuck. Burial will be in Union Cemetery.

Calling hours are 7 to 9 tonight.
Fred York

Pawcatuck 3/28/75

Fred Palmer York, 78, of 307 Stonington Road, died Friday at Westerly Hospital.

Born in Stonington, Aug. 5, 1896, he was the son of Clayton and Sarah (Frank) York.

He was a dairy farmer most of his life and had served in the Army during World War I.

Mr. York was a member of the Veterans of World War I.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Edna (Richard) York, and four sisters, Mrs. Sadie Palmer, Mrs. Mildred Watrous, both of Stonington, Mrs. Bessie Gardner of Pawcatuck and Mrs. Lyida Brown of Westerly.

M. Pollard - Cousin
Fred York

PAWCATUCK — Fred Palmer York, 78, of 307 Stonington Road, died today at Westerly Hospital where he was a patient for the last three days.

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Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at the Shea-Williams' Funeral Home, Pawcatuck. Burial will be in Union Cemetery, Stonington.

Calling hours are 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday.
Gerald York
North Stonington — Gerald "Geh" Juan York passed away Wednesday morning, Nov. 10, 2010, at home surrounded by his loving family.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Linda (White) York; son, Brian York and his wife, Nancy, of Griswold; daughter, Robin Sasko and husband, Doug, of North Stonington; grandchildren Katy and Hannah York, Meredith and Lizzy Sasko, and Lana Arro. He is also survived by his mother, Ollie York of Groton; sisters Bonnie Deveau and her husband, Donald, and Sherry April and her husband, Martin; and brother Tim York and his wife, Janet. He leaves behind many nephews, nieces, cousins, and countless friends.

Born in Damariscotta, Maine, on Nov. 25, 1942, to Gerald and Ollie (Hoffman) York, he moved with his family to Mystic in 1951 where he attended Stonington High School. There he met Linda White whom he married on July 6, 1963, in Naank. In 1965, he and Linda moved to North Stonington where they raised two children, Brian and Robin.

Working as a welder at Electric Boat for five years, he was then offered a job at United Nuclear Corp., eventually becoming supervisor of nuclear core assembly. He stayed with UNC for 26 years until the plant was closed in 1992. He then worked for Analysis and Technology Inc. (Anteon Corp.) for 13 years as production manager, until he retired in 2006.

An avid motorcyclist, Jerry was a charter member of the New London County Harley-Davidson Club and the Harley Owners Group. When not riding his motorcycle, he spent much of his time in his garden or tinkering in the garage. Some of his other many interests included hiking and camping with friends, skiing, boating, bicycling, and almost anything outdoors. Also a NASCAR fan, he often attended races, combining them with a weekend of camping or motorcycling with family and friends. He was a steadfast ATV racing fan, following family friend Josh Creamer, #9, on the pro ATV circuit; often called "his biggest fan." Although an avid outdoorsman, his main focus was always family, never missing his children's or grandchildren's games or school activities. Family always came first.

His family would like to express their gratitude to the hospice team of Southeastern Connecticut.

His family will greet relatives and friends from 5 to 8 p.m. on Monday at Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., historic downtown Mystic. A service will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Tuesday at the funeral home with burial in Elm Grove Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice Southeastern Connecticut, 327 Dunham St., Norwich CT 06360.

For information, directions, or to share a message of remembrance/condolence with his family, please visit www.dinotofuneral.com.
YORK — In Westerly, R.I., December 7, 1969, Muriel (Gould) York, aged 88, wife of the late Edward Palmer York, The Hill, Stonington. Private graveside service will be held on Wednesday at the Stonington Cemetery. There will be no calling hours. Shea-Williams Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Private Funeral

For Mrs. York

Muriel Gould York, 88, of The Hill, Stonington, died Sunday evening at Westerly Nursing Home. She was the widow of Edward Palmer York.

Born in Tarrytown, N.Y., March 9, 1881, Mrs. York was a daughter of the late Charles J. and Annie (Westbrook) Gould.

She had been a Stonington resident since 1910. She was a member of Calvary Episcopal Church, Stonington; the Colony Club and the Colonial Dames of America. She was a graduate of Brearley School in New York, N.Y., and The Master's School in Dobbs Ferry, N.Y.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. John Ware, Lincoln of Providence and Mrs. Rensselaer W. Bartram Jr. of Stonington; a son, Edward Palmer York Jr. of San Juan, Puerto Rico; a brother, Aubrey Gould of Hancock, N.H.; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A private graveside service will be held tomorrow in Stonington Cemetery.

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elementary boys’ school. Two years later she returned to Stonington to complete a master’s degree in library science at the University of Rhode Island. In 1969 she became an assistant librarian at the University of Connecticut at Avery Point, where she remained until her retirement in 1979.

Her love of Stonington led her to volunteer for many community organizations. She was president of the Stonington Village Improvement Association in the 1960s and chairperson of the Stonington Borough Planning and Zoning Commission in the 1970s. She also served on the Board of Trustees of the Stonington Free Library between 1980 and 1996, was president for nine years and was instrumental in raising funds for the construction of the library’s Wimpheimer Wing. During the early 1990s she also helped form a citizens group that fought to save the former Atwood Machine Company in Stonington from demolition. Her other interests included traveling, music, and cooking, and she was an active reader.

She is survived by her three children, Gillian York Willard of Baltimore, Edward Palmer York III of San Francisco, and Eugene Van Wyck York of Stonington; two grandchildren, Gillian Willard Shafer of Portland, Maine, and Le Baron Sands Willard of Baltimore; and a great-grandson, McLean Willard Shafer.

She was predeceased by her brother, Joseph de Rosa, and sisters, Maria Cioffi and Cornelia Fanning. Her marriage to Edward York ended in divorce in 1964.

Her family wishes to give special thanks to the staff of the Village at Waterman Lake in Greenville, R.I., who cared for her with kindness and respect during the last three-and-a-half years of her life.

Donations in her memory may be sent to the Stonington Free Library, the Stonington Village Improvement Association, and to Home and Hospice Care of Rhode Island.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 30, 2004, at the United Church of Stonington, 67 Main Street. A reception at the Stonington Free Library follows.
Tim York

North Stonington — Tim "Bampie" York, 64, of North Stonington, died tragically on Monday, June 16, 2014.

He was born March 8, 1950, in Damariscotta, Maine, the beloved son of Ollie (Hoffman) York of Groton and the late Gerald W. York.

He attended local schools and graduated from Stonington High School, Class of 1969.

He was united in marriage to the former Janet Higginbotham on June 3, 1972 in Christ Church, Westerly. Mrs. York survives him.

Tim was most recently employed by the Town of Colchester as a building official for the past 20 years. He regularly taught building code classes for the State of Connecticut.

He was a huge Red Sox fan and an avid fisherman of salt and fresh water. He loved and treasured spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

In addition to his beloved wife of 42 years, he is survived by two daughters, Amy York of Pawcatuck and Jennifer VanLew and her fiancé, Schon Russell, both of Stonington; and his two sisters, Bonnie and Mookie Deveau of Ledyard and Sherry and Martin Aprill of Mystic. He is also survived by his sister-in-law, Linda York of North Stonington; and seven grandchildren, Avery, Tyler and Sawyer VanLew, Kaylee York, and Haley, Travis, and Deegan Russell; as well as several nieces and nephews.

A funeral home service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 21, from the Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic. Interment will follow in Elm Grove Cemetery, Mystic.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to The Jimmy Fund, 10 Brookline Place West, Brookline, MA 02445.

To share a message of condolence or remembrance with his family, please visit www.dinotofuneral.com.
Howard A. Young, 92
Founder of Quality Name Place Co.

STONINGTON — Howard A. Young, 92, died Sunday at the Pendleton Convalescent Home in Mystic. He was the husband of Eva Royce Young.

He was born in Savoy, Mass., the son of Alfred and Daisy Langille Young. He lived in Glastonbury for many years before moving to Stonington.

Mr. Young was a graduate of Morse Business College in Hartford. He worked at the former Clapp-Rosenborn Electrical Supply Co. in Waterbury.

In the early 1950s, he and his brother, Robert, along with Russell Preuss, formed the Quality Name Place Co. in East Glastonbury. He retired as treasurer of the company in 1972.

Besides his wife, Mr. Young is survived by his brother Robert P. Young of Bradenton, Fla.; two nieces, Pegge Blenco of Vancouver, Wash., and Janet Farrell of Glastonbury; and two nephews, Stephen D. Young of Glastonbury and Allan Young of New Mexico.

A memorial service will be held at a future time to be announced. The Glastonbury Funeral Home, 450 New London Turnpike, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions in Mr. Young’s name may be made to the Stonington Visiting Nurse Association, 20 S. Anguilla Road, Stonington, 06378.
Mary L. (Strawderman) Denham Young, 76, of Pawcatuck, went home to be with Jesus Monday, Feb. 16, 2009.

Born on Feb. 29, 1932, in Akron, Ohio, she was the daughter of the late Francis and Jessie (Antel) Strawderman.

Mary was a beautiful loving person who greeted everyone with a smile and a cookie. She loved reading, animals and poking through yard sales, gift shops, and flea markets. Mary was always looking for that special gift for those she loved. But, most of all, she loved her family, and held a special place in her heart for each one.

She will be deeply missed by all. She leaves her seven children, James H. Denham III and his wife, Jean, of North Las Vegas, Nev., David M. Denham and his wife, Kerry, of Westerly, Sheri Jones and her husband, Ray, of North Stonington, Debra Martell and her husband, Fred, of Stonington, Cynthia Theroux and her husband, Rick, of Charlestown, Theresa Denham and her husband, Ray Howard, of Westerly, and Mary Zeppieri and her husband, Jim, of Pawcatuck; 19 grandchildren, and 25¾ great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her first husband, James H. Denham Jr. and secondly Samuel Young along with her siblings, Opha, Wayne, Robert, and Francis Strawderman and Lena Bonner.

The family will receive friends Friday, Feb. 20, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1, Mystic, (61 Williams Ave.) followed by service at 7 p.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Ray G. Jones Jr. officiating. Burial will be held privately on Saturday.

The family invites you to visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com for the online guest book and directions.
Nancy Young
North Stonington — Nancy J. (Zabinski) Young, 50, of North Stonington, passed away Sunday, Dec. 10, at The William W. Backus Hospital after being surrounded by her family and friends during her short illness.

Nancy was born in Torrance, Calif., on June 15, 1956, to Leo and Betty Zabinski. She graduated from Dexter High School in 1974 as class valedictorian. She received her bachelor of science in business administration from Michigan Technological University in 1978.

In 1979, she was commissioned as a Naval Reserve Supply Corps Ensign and served on active duty until 1997. After completing the Supply Corps Basic Qualification Course, she reported to the destroyer tender USS SIERRA where she served as a supply division officer. She also served on the Naval Postgraduate School staff at Monterey, Calif., as the supply officer at Naval Air Station in Guam, and as a supply officer at the Naval Aviation Depot at Alameda, Calif., before her release from active duty in 1987. Nancy continued serving as a reservist until retiring as a naval reserve commander in 2001. Locally, Nancy served as supply officer on the Naval Reserve Commander, Submarine Development Squadron TWELVE Detachment 101 staff.

Nancy married Charles J. Young Jr. (Chuck) on Jan. 24, 1987, in Monterey, Calif. Later, upon their arrival in the Portsmouth, N.H., area, Nancy discovered and enrolled at the University of Rhode Island where she would eventually receive her master of library and information studies degree in 1996.

She then began her library career as the director at Preston Public Library and worked as a reference librarian at the Groton Public Library. In 1997, Nancy became the director at the Stonington Free Library, where she served until her passing.

Nancy enjoyed horseback riding, winning many blue ribbons. More recently, Nancy trained and practiced at Nicholas Villa Stables in North Stonington with her horse, VHF Tiffany. Nancy was active in many professional organizations, including the American Library Assn., the Public Library Assoc. of Connecticut, and the CT Library Consortium. She was a member of the MIT Technological University and University of Rhode Island Alumni Associations, the Supply Corps Assoc., and the Naval Reserve Assoc.

She was a member of the Mystic Woman’s Club, where she served as the club’s vice president, member of the Executive Board, former treasurer, volunteering at the club’s thrift shop. Nancy was also a member of the Rotary Club of the Stoningtons, served as club secretary, and was the club’s president for 2005-2006. Nancy continued to serve on the club’s Executive Board, and participated in many club activities. She was a Paul Harris Fellow in Rotary.

Nancy is survived by her husband Chuck, her father Leo, her sister Carol, aunts, uncles, and cousins, two nephews, a niece, three cats, and her horse, Tiffany. She was predeceased by her mother Betty, her nephew Andrew, and her favorite cat, Bandit.

A memorial service will be conducted at the United Church of Stonington, 67 Main St., Stonington, on Saturday at 11 a.m. There are no visiting hours.

The family requests donations in lieu of flowers to Stonington Free Library Assn., PO Box 232, Stonington, CT 06378; Rotary Club of the Stoningtons, PO Box 304, Stonington, or a charity of the donor’s choice.

The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl Street, historic downtown Mystic, is assisting the family. For additional obituary information or to send her family a note of remembrance/condolence, please visit www.dinotofuneral.com.
After traveling the world, she found a home at Stonington Free Library

BY JOE WOJTAS
Day Staff Writer

Stonington — Nancy Young grew up in California and Michigan, served in the Navy as far away as Guam and most recently lived in North Stonington. But it was the Stonington Free Library in the borough, where she never lived, that meant so much to her.

Young, the library's director for the past eight years, died Sunday at The William W. Backus Hospital in Norwich, after being stricken at home on Noyes Street while sleeping.

On Monday, library supporters and employees struggled to put into words just how much the 56-year-old Young had meant to the library and its tremendous growth.

"She took the library from a sleepy organization in 1998 to a point today where it is a major educational and intellectual resource in the town," said Wendy Eck, the president of the library's Board of Trustees.

Some of Young's accomplishments included leading a $750,000 fund-raising campaign that exceeded its goal by $40,000, building the endowment and collections and getting the roof fixed. She expanded the children's programs and the outreach activities with local schools and assembled a talented and caring staff that Eck said will continue to run the library smoothly.

But more than that, those who knew Young said it was her warm personality they will miss, how she always made time for someone with a question.

"She was absolutely loved by every person who walked in that door," Eck said. "I don't think I ever met a kinder woman. We can all learn from the way she conducted her life."

Young's closest friend was Heather Gillies, the children's librarian and assistant director, who she always called "Kid," despite being just five years older. Gillies had spent the past 11 days visiting Young in the intensive care unit at Backus.

"I've lost a sister and a very dear friend," Gillies said.

She said Young made the library a warm and inviting space for anyone who visited, whether they were a big donor or just someone passing through town.

"That was one of her most precious gifts. She treated everyone with respect. She wanted to share knowledge with them," she said.

Gillies said Young blazed the way for the library to grow.

Young's husband Chuck, who is retired from the Navy, said Monday that his wife served eight years as an active duty reservist in the Navy as a supply officer. It was through Navy friends that she began writing to him from Guam, where she was stationed. They finally met when she was transferred back to California in 1996 and they were married three months later. They eventually moved to the area and she received her master's degree in library science in 1996.

Asked about his wife's commitment to the library, he said, "I think it was the community. She just loved the people down there. And she always told her staff that the patrons were number one."

He said she liked the job because she got to oversee all aspects of the library's operation. She was also involved in organizations such as the Rotary Club and Mystic Woman's Club.

He said the outpouring of support for his wife while she was in the hospital was incredible.

"I was absolutely amazed at how big her circle of friends are," he said.

He said Monday he was still planning his wife's arrangements. Eck said the library's board would also be discussing ways to remember Young.

Tom Rezendes, who owns Tom's News, worked with Young on silent auctions to raise money for the library when budget cuts were forcing it to cut back its hours of operation.

"She was just a sweetheart. She was so dedicated to the library and this community," Rezendes said.

"You couldn't ask for anyone better. She'll be hard to replace."

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Nancy Jean (Zabinski) Young, age 50 of North Stonington, CT, passed away Sunday afternoon at Backus Hospital in Norwich after being surrounded by family and friends during her short illness.

Nancy was born in Torrance, CA on 6 June 1956 to Leo and Betty Zabinsky. In 1966, the family, including her older sister Carol, moved to the Zabinsky family farm in Dexter, MI. In the ensuing years, together, they launched and operated the Zabinsky Blueberry Farm, growing various types of blueberries and offering them for sale on a pick-your-own basis.

Nancy graduated from Dexter High School in 1974 as her class valedictorian. She received her Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Michigan Technological University in May 1978.

Nancy worked for a short period in a local book binding company before beginning her United States Navy career. Nancy was commissioned as a Naval Reserve Supply Corps Ensign in July 1979, and served on active duty until 1987. After completing the Supply Corps Basic Qualification Course, she reported to the destroyer tender USS SIERRA (AD 18) where she served as a Supply Division Officer, and was one of the first women aboard. Nancy also served on the Naval Postgraduate School staff at Monterey CA, as the Supply Officer at Naval Air Station Agana, Guam, and as a Supply Officer at the Naval Aviation Depot, Alameda CA before her release from active duty in September 1987. Nancy continued serving as a reservist until retiring as a Naval Reserve Commander in 2001. Of local interest, Nancy served as the Supply Officer on the Naval Reserve Commander, Submarine Development Squadron TWELVE Detachment 101 staff, a unique position for a female officer.

Nancy married Charles J. Young Jr. (Chuck) on 24 January 1987 in the chapel at the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA before a small number of friends and acquaintances. Chuck was also an active duty Naval Officer serving in the submarine force. After a short period on opposite coasts, Nancy was released from active duty and made a home with Chuck in Gales Ferry, CT. Throughout much of Chuck's remaining military career, Nancy put her own career on hold while holding down many temporary jobs, including one as a bookseller at a small Carmel CA children's book and educational toy store. Upon their arrival in the Portsmouth, NH area, Nancy discovered and enrolled in a regional program offered by the University of Rhode Island which would eventually lead to her receiving her Master of Library and Information Studies degree in December 1996.

After completing her MLIS degree program, Nancy began her library career as the Director at Preston Public Library and worked as a reference librarian on Sundays at the Groton Public Library. In November 1997, Nancy became the Director at the Stonington Free Library, where she served library patrons in the town of Stonington until her passing.

Nancy enjoyed her many hobbies and participation in professional and service organizations. She loved to read and sew, two activities she started very early in life. As an adult, Nancy resumed horseback riding, winning blue ribbons as a novice in dressage and hunter/jumper competitions. More recently, Nancy spent many hours training and practicing with her friends at Nicholas Villa Stables in North Stonington and her horse, VHF Tiffany, a registered Morgan. Nancy was active in many professional organizations including the American Library Association, the Public Library Association, the Connecticut Library Association, and the Connecticut Library Consortium. She was a member of the Michigan Technological University and University of Rhode Island Alumni Associations, the Supply Corps Association, and the Naval Reserve Association.

Service to her community was important in Nancy's life. As a library director in two towns, Nancy emphasized patron service over all other aspects of library operations. Nancy was a member of the Mystic Woman's Club, serving as club Vice President, as a volunteer at the club's Pawcatuck thrift shop, and on the club's Executive Board at the time of her passing. In prior years, Nancy served as the club's treasurer. She was a top poinsettia salesperson for the club's major annual fund raising drive. Nancy became a member of the Rotary Club of the Stoningtons, served as club secretary, and was the club's president for 2005-2006. Nancy continued to serve on the club's Executive Board, and participated in many club activities including the club's annual Fisher's Island Golf Tournament and the

club's many Amber Alert registration sessions. Nancy was a Paul Harris Fellow in Rotary.

Nancy is survived by her husband Chuck, her father Leo, her sister Carol, many aunts, uncles, and cousins, two nephews, a niece, three cats, and her horse, Tiffany. She was predeceased by her mother Betty, her nephew Andrew, and her favorite cat, Bandit.

A Memorial Service will be conducted at the United Church of Stonington, 67 Main Street, Stonington on Saturday at 11am. The Rev. Doretta M. Colburn, a close friend, will officiate. There will be no visiting hours.

The family requests donations in lieu of flowers to Stonington Free Library Association, P.O. Box 232, Stonington, CT 06378; Rotary Club of the Stoningtons, P.O. Box 304, Stonington, CT 06378; or a charity of donor's choice.

To send Chuck and the family a message of remembrance and/or condolence, please click the link below.

Dinoto Funeral Home
17 Pearl Street
Mystic, CT USA 06355
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Order of Service

Prelude

Words of Greeting

Rev. Doretta M. Colburn

Invocation (unison)
Gracious God, grant to us your peace as we gather in this sacred place and moment. May your Spirit intercede for us with sighs too deep for human words. Heal our wounded hearts made heavy by our sorrow. Through the veil of our tears and the silence of our emptiness assure us once again that ear has not heard, nor eye seen, nor human imagination envisioned what you prepared for those who live in your love. In our gathering may we feel the comfort of your embrace and know more fully the promise of your everlasting love. Amen.

HYMN

Morning Has Broken

No. 469

Scripture Readings

Psalm 23 (unison)
The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures. He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8; 11-13
Romans 8:35; 37-39

Remembrances

Stephanie Thorp  President, Mystic Women's Club
Wendy Eck  Board President, Stonington Free Library

Music for Reflection

Remembrances

Sharon Ellingwood  Owner, Nicholas Villa Stables
John DeCiantis  President, Rotary Club of the Stoningtons

Words of Assurance

Rev. Doretta M. Colburn

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (unison)
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

No. 464

Benediction

Postlude

*please stand if able

You are invited to a reception immediately following this service at the Stonington Free Library on the green.

Organist  Scot Huntington
Deacons  Heidi Cannon
Ushers  Bob Gillis
Friends & Members: Rotary of the Stoningtons
Officiating Pastor  Rev. Doretta M. Colburn
Peter Young  9-18-14

Mystic — Peter J. Young, 79, beloved husband for 54 years of Andrea (Pearce) Young, of 2590 Gold Star Hwy., #320, Mystic, and formerly of William St., Pawcatuck, passed away at his home on Sept. 13, 2014.

Born in Whitinsville, Mass., he was a son of the late Peter and Margaret Young. After graduating from Northbridge High School, Pete entered the military, where he served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. Upon return, he graduated from American International College and Eastern Connecticut State College, where he received his master's degree. Pete then earned a sixth year degree from Southern Connecticut State College.

Mr. Young, affectionately known as "Pistol," taught at Stonington High School for more than 35 years until his retirement in 1995. He was also a lifeguard and swim instructor at Stonington Point and enjoyed spending time with family and friends at Elmridge Golf Course. Pete was a founding member and chairman of the Stonington Recreation Commission and was heavily involved as a volunteer for a number of community organizations. He coached football, girls' basketball and golf at SHS and was a hall of fame athlete and coach.

In addition to his wife, he will be dearly missed by his four children, Lori Skelton of East Lyme, Michael Young and wife, Kathy, of Southington, James Young of Norwich and Debra Srdoc and husband, Dana, of Highlands Ranch, Colo. Pete also leaves behind a sister, Elizabeth Feen of Whitinsville; and was a loving grandfather of seven grandchildren, Rachel and Zachary Skelton, Caitlin and Sean Young, and Andie, Desmond and Danielle Srdoc. He also had many cherished nieces and nephews.

Pete was predeceased by a sister, Dorothy Kosciak; and three brothers, Raymond, Paul and John Young.

He will always be remembered as a loving husband, father, grandfather and uncle, as well as a coach and friend to many.

Visiting hours are omitted. Relatives and friends are invited to attend a funeral liturgy at 11 a.m. on Saturday in St. Mary's Church, 95 Main St., Stonington. There will be a gathering of family and friends following the liturgy. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Pete's memory to Martin House, P.O. Box 857, Norwich, CT 06360 or via their website. Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly, is in charge of the arrangements. For online condolences, please visit www.gaffneydolanfuneralhome.com.
Mystic — Larry Zabel, 95, of 186 Jerry Browne Road, Mystic, beloved father, grandfather, uncle, and friend, died Sunday, Sept. 9, 2018, at Avalon convalescent center in Mystic. He was predeceased by his wife Lillian. Larry was born June 15, 1923, in Fessenden, N.D., to Lydia and August Zabel. He is survived by his daughter Debbie (Zabel) Hughes, and his grandchildren Jeffrey and Kristen. Larry was predeceased by his daughter Susan Zabel.

He was the president and owner of S.M.S. Textile Mills in Allentown, Pa., and Norwich Textiles in Norwich. After graduating from Lane Tech High School in Chicago, Ill., Larry became a U.S. Navy fighter pilot. He was a member of the U.S. Naval Institute, the Tailhook Association, and the USS Philippine Sea Association, and a life member of the New York Athletic Club, Westerly Yacht Club and American Legion Post 0016.

Sincere gratitude is extended to the dedicated staff of Avalon convalescent center. Funeral and burial services will be private. Friends and family are welcome to attend a celebration of Larry’s life from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 15, at StoneRidge retirement community, 186 Jerry Browne Road, Mystic. Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly, is assisting the family with arrangements.

For online condolences, please visit www.buckler-johnston.com.
Lisa Zacharski

Stonington — Lisa M. Zacharski, 37, passed away Oct. 6, 2015, at Hartford Hospital.

Born on June 9, 1978, in Norwich, she was a graduate of Norwich Free Academy, Class of 1996.

Lisa enjoyed spending time with her two boys, whom she adored, and loved to cook, travel and collect antiques. Through the years, she had many close friends who brought her great joy, and she enjoyed going to concerts, shopping and traveling with her mom. She will be missed.

She is survived by her mother, Colleen Little of Stonington; her father, Bogumil Zacharski of Canton; her two sons, Michael Devona of Stonington and David Shultis of Stratford; a brother, Michael Zacharski, of Louisville, Ky.; two uncles, Carter Dingivan of Cranby and Bill Dingivan of Norwich; her aunt, Janifer Zacharski of Danielson; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

All are welcome to attend a celebration of life gathering at 11 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 11, at the home of her mother, 9 Circle Drive, Stonington.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Michael J. Devona Education Fund, c/o Liberty Bank, 27 Coogan Blvd., Bldg. 21, Mystic, CT 06355.

For online messages to the family, please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com.
Mary Zagora

Stonington — Mary Carolynn Zagora, 73, of Stonington, died Sunday, Nov. 27, 2016, surrounded by family and friends.

Born Dec. 17, 1942, in Staten Island, N.Y., she was the daughter of the late Rachelle Lukas and was the eldest of three siblings. Her brothers, Patrick and Danny Murray, predeceased her.

She married Michael J. Zagora on Jan. 4, 1985; he survives her and they were both retired electricians with Electric Boat.

Mary and Michael were married 32 years; they loved traveling together. She will be missed and will be remembered for being a devoted and loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, friend and neighbor. She also enjoyed tending to her home, her beautiful flowers, painting, drawing and sketching.

In addition to her husband, she leaves her son and daughter-in-law, James and Ursula Gauley of Michigan; three daughters, Sandra Vances and her husband, Steve, of Dayville; Samantha Hale and Rachelle Robertson, both of Stonington; granddaughters, Talisha Mitchell, Noelle Hale and Tina Gauley; grandsons, Scott, Anthony and Jonathan Hale, James Gauley and Jacques Perreault; seventeen great-grandchildren; her nephew, Thomas Sforza of Michigan; and her two pet Chihuahuas.

Services will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to the ASPCA or any local animal shelter of your choice.

Please visit www.mysticfuneralhome.com to leave an online note of condolence.
Obituaries

Deaths

Pawcatuck
Zaharie, David G. Sr.
Buckingham Street

Higgins, Mary
formerly of Pawcatuck

The Westerly Sun publishes this list free of charge as a reader service. Additional information in the obituaries and death notices provided by funeral homes allows families to include, in paid space, the material they deem appropriate.

David George Zaharie Sr., 74, beloved husband of Elizabeth A. (Caswell) Zaharie of Buckingham Street, Pawcatuck, died June 30, 2009, in The Westerly Hospital.

Born in East Chicago, Indiana, he was the son of the late George and Julia (Bockus) Zaharie.

Mr. Zaharie had been employed as a machinist for 30 years at the Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics in Groton, retiring in the late 1990s.

A U.S. Navy veteran, he was a communicant of the Immaculate Conception Church in Westerly, a member of the International Association of Machinists Union, and he enjoyed woodworking.

Surviving in addition to his wife, are four sons, David Zaharie Jr. of Pawcatuck, Anthony Zaharie of Exeter, Michael Zaharie of Groton and Dominic Zaharie of Pawcatuck; three daughters, Theresa Plantz of Bonners Ferry, Idaho, Kathleen Cidale and Marie Muller, both of Pawcatuck; two sisters, Margaret Kushnack and Mary Drang, both of Indiana; 23 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Calling hours will be held Thursday from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Gaffney-Dolan Funeral Home, 59 Spruce St., Westerly.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Mass of Christian Burial, to be celebrated Friday at 10 a.m. in the Immaculate Conception Church, 111 High St., Westerly. There is no procession from the funeral home to the church.

Burial will be in St. Michael Cemetery, Pawcatuck.
Elizabeth A. (Caswell) Zaharie

PAWCATUCK — Elizabeth A. (Caswell) Zaharie, 84, of Buckingham Street, Pawcatuck, passed away on Saturday, April 20, 2019. She was the wife of the late David G. Zaharie, Sr.

Elizabeth was a daily communicant of Immaculate Conception Church where she was an active member of the Legion of Mary. She also volunteered her time at several local nursing homes. She enjoyed Line Dancing and loved spending time with her children and grandchildren.

She is survived by four sons, David Zaharie of Pawcatuck, Anthony Zaharie of Exeter, Michael Zaharie of Groton and Domonic Zaharie also of Pawcatuck; three daughters, Theresa Plantz of Bonners Ferry, ID, and Kathleen Cidale and Marie Muller, both of Pawcatuck; a brother Alfred Caswell of Groton; 23 grandchildren; 23 great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will be held on Tuesday, April 23 from 5-7pm. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday at 10am at Immaculate Conception Church, 111 High St., Westerly. There is no procession from the funeral home to church. Burial will follow at St. Michael Cemetery, Pawcatuck. For online condolences please visit www.gaffneydolanfuneralhome.com.
Angelina Zander


She was a lifelong resident of Mystic, attending local schools and was a graduate of Stonington High School in 1949. At the age of 18, Angelina took a job in New London as a bookkeeper for the Maurice Wine Agency. Upon his passing, she purchased his business. Passing the required CPA exams, she obtained her license to practice and started the A.M. Zander Agency where she prepared taxes and provided tax service to many until her retirement at age 55. Ahead of her time, in the early days, she was a force to be reckoned with. At the time of her retirement, Angelina was the last licensed/practicing CPA without a college diploma in the state.

She was predeceased in 2006 by her longtime companion, Harold Lunge, with whom she traveled extensively throughout North America in their RV. This was the adventure of her life and Harold was the love of her life.

She is survived by her daughter, Vali M. Troxell and her husband, Vernon, of Gales Ferry; her son, Charles R. Zander Jr. of Groton and his companion, Dwayne Campbell; her sister, Irene T. Connolly of Groton, and her grandchildren, Dillon L. Troxell of Gales Ferry, Christina M. Troxell of Virginia Beach, Va. and Christopher N. Troxell of Hartford.

She was predeceased by her brothers, Joseph Janeiro, Frank Janeiro and Everett Janeiro.

Burial will be private. There are no calling hours. The Mystic Funeral Home has charge of arrangements.
Stonington — Jon F. Zeppieri Sr., 65, of Pawcatuck, beloved husband of Mary (Denham) Zeppieri, passed away on Tuesday, April 21, 2015. Born in New London, he was the son of the late Anthony and Matilda (Buckley) Zeppieri and lived in Pawcatuck for the past 23 years, previously residing in Groton.

Jon was a graduate of Fitch High School, Class of 1968, where he excelled in football, eventually playing at an All-State level. He enjoyed gardening, quahogging and especially spending time with his family and his grandchildren. Jon will be remembered for his kindness, generosity and willingness to always help others. He will be deeply missed by his family.

Jon was a steamfitter for over 30 years with Local 305/777.

In addition to his wife, he leaves a son, Jon F. Zeppieri Jr. and his wife, Nancy, of Westerly; two sisters, Linda Boyle and her husband, Walter, of Michigan and Ellen McMicken and her husband, John, of Groton; three brothers, Robert Zeppieri, Richard Zeppieri and his wife, Marion, and William Zeppieri, all of Groton; four beloved grandchildren, Marissa, Jayson, Joshua and Jamey Zeppieri; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

He was predeceased by a sister, Barbara Shepherd; and two brothers, James and Anthony Zeppieri Jr.

His family will receive friends from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 24, at the Mystic Funeral Home, Route 1 (G1 Williams Ave.), Mystic. A funeral service will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 25, at the funeral home.

Burial will follow at Elm Grove Cemetery, Route 27, Mystic.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Lighthouse Community Baptist Church, P.O. Box 1864, Pawcatuck, CT 06379, where Jon was not only a longtime member but a founding member as well, or to the American Diabetes Association (www.diabetes.org).
Blanche Zimmerman

Mystic — Blanche Louise Zimmerman, 99, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2017, All Saints Day, at Academy Point in Mystic, surrounded by the love and prayers of her entire family.

Blanche was born on June 10, 1918, in Mount Carmel, Pa., the daughter of the late Charles and Bessie Wagner and graduated from Mount Carmel High School in 1936. In 1944 she married Walter John Zimmerman in Boca Raton, Fla., where he was stationed at the time. He passed away on June 3, 1998.

After the war, Blanche and Walt moved to Philadelphia and eventually settled in New Castle, Del., where they resided for 48 years. After Walt's death, Blanche moved to Pawcatuck to be close to her daughter, Sandi, and lived quite independently until just a few months ago when she moved to Academy Point in Mystic.

Blanche led an incredibly full life. She enjoyed her jobs counting money in the treasury of John Wanamaker and selling Avon door-to-door. Her favorite job was working for Harry L. Adams Inc. in New Castle, Del., for 40 years where she developed lifelong friendships. Blanche and Walt loved to travel the east coast and especially enjoyed returning to Myrtle Beach. Blanche's passions also included cooking fabulous meals, baking anything that could go in an oven and knitting cozy sweaters and mittens for her family.

And, she loved to talk!

Blanche will be most remembered as a selfless and devoted mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Her daughter, Sandi, was the center of her universe, which she lovingly expanded to include her son-in-law and grandchildren and their families. She expressed her love for her family and friends by providing us with an endless parade of delicious culinary creations.

Blanche was very proud to be a charter member of Hope Lutheran Church in New Castle, Del., but it was the adored nanny to seven great-grandchildren, Kali, Robert, Emma, and Maddison Woodhall, Sarah and William Benoit, and Bailey Davis. She is also survived by a dear niece, Linda Kreibick.

In addition to her parents and husband, Blanche was predeceased by her brother, Charles Wagner; and her sister, Mary Kreibick.

Blanche's family would like to express their deep appreciation to the entire staff of Academy Point in Mystic for the loving and joyful care they provided her in these last few months. In addition, we are so grateful to the countless people who prayed for her in her times of need. She always felt surrounded by God's love.

We all cherish the blessed time that we had Blanche in our lives and will miss her care and love tremendously. She was our rock star and hero.

A visitation hour will be held from 6 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 9, at Buckler-Johnston Funeral Home, 121 Main St., Westerly. The memorial service follow at 7 p.m. An interment service will take place at 11 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 11, in Gracelawn Memorial Park, New Castle, Del.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations to the either the American Cancer Society to honor the fact that she was a cancer survivor or the United Congregational Church of Westerly, UCC, 9 Castle Hill Road, Pawcatuck, CT 06379 to support their pollinator garden project and the flowers, hummingbirds and butterflies that she loved so much.

For online condolences, please visit www.buck-
Robert Zvirner

Stonington — Robert Zvirner, 78, of 26 Pearl St., died Wednesday night at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

He was born Feb. 16, 1916, in Camden, N.J., son of William and Edith Cline Zvirner.

He lived in Windsor for many years. He owned and operated the Windsor Engineering Co. there before his retirement in the mid-1970s. Following his retirement, he moved to Stonington and served as a board member of Stonington Visiting Nurses Association. He was recently presented with a plaque in recognition of his dedication and service.

He was a member of the Windsor Public Safety Department and the Hartford Symphony.

His wife, Eleanor Earle Zvirner, died in 1984.

He is survived by three daughters, Elizabeth Ruggiero of Hingham, Mass., Bronwen Zvirner of New Bedford, Mass., and Carolyn Muench of Port Angeles, Wash.; and five grandchildren.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at the United Congregational Church of Stonington.

Burial will be private.

There are no visiting hours. The Dinoto Funeral Home, 17 Pearl St., Mystic, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Stonington Visiting Nurses Association, 20 Anguilla Road, Pawcatuck, 06379.