



## Ann Callahan

September 15, 1919 - December 24, 2010

Ann Theresa (Nancy) Callahan of North Haven passed away on Friday, December 24, 2010 at the Grimes Health Center in New Haven with her loving family at her side. She was born in Fair Haven on September 15, 1919, the fifth daughter of the late Daniel Callahan and Annie Reynolds Callahan who had both emigrated from County Clare Ireland.

Nancy attended St. Francis Grammar School in Fair Haven, and remained a lifelong parishioner of St. Francis Church. She graduated from Hillhouse High School Class of 1937 and she was also a graduate of Felton & Tarant Comptometer School in New Haven, She attended Fairfield University. Nancy began her career as an Office Attendant with Hostess Cakes in New Haven and then worked for the Southern New England Telephone Company where she was promoted throughout her career to positions of increasing responsibility. She retired in 1982 from SNET after 36 years of dedicated service. She served in several capacities as a volunteer for St. Francis Church including serving two terms on the parish council. teaching catechism for 17 years. and volunteering for the annual bazaar.. Nancy was a member of the Irish History Roundtable in New Haven and the Telephone Pioneers of America. Her hobbies included sewing, baking and doll collecting. Most important to her was her faith, family and heritage. She was a beloved and devoted daughter, sister, aunt and cousin to a large family. Her Irish heritage was one of which she was most proud, and she had traveled to Ireland six times during her lifetime Her most notable role was one of Aunt and Matriarch

of a family that today numbers 104 individuals - not including in-laws - who stay connected and get together annually largely because of the example she set and values she lived by on the importance of family. Nancy is survived by her loving sister, Eileen Callahan Durkin of North Branford, her devoted brother John F Callahan and his wife Nancy of North Haven and her sister in law Anne Bowen Callahan of West Haven, eight nephews, eleven nieces, 45 great nieces and nephews and 40 great great nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by five brothers: James Callahan, Joseph Callahan, Dennis Callahan, Daniel Callahan and Edward Callahan; four sisters: Catherine Callahan Twohill; Margaret Callahan Gunning; Agnes Callahan Hackett and Mary Callahan. She was also predeceased by three nephews and one niece. Calling hours will be held on Wednesday, December 29, 2010 from 3 pm to 7 pm at Sisk Brothers Funeral Home, 3105 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, CT. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, December 30, 2010 at 10:00 am at St. Francis Church, 397 Ferry St. New Haven. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to: St. Francis Grammar School 423 Ferry Street, New Haven, CT

# Tribute Wall



“ *Oh what a beautiful set of teeth when you smiled Nancy!!!*

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**Cyrus Vance** - December 30, 2010 at 08:26 AM