



## Elizabeth Gravino

July 25, 1921 - April 10, 2011

Elizabeth A. (Jester) Gravino, 89, of Hamden died April 10, 2011 at home in Hamden. Elizabeth Ann Jester was born on July 25, 1921 in Southington, CT. the daughter of Mae Ellen (Mahan) Jester and Harold Jester. The oldest of nine children, Betty graduated from Saint John's School in New Haven, CT. and worked as a bookkeeper at Berger Brothers Co. and at J. Johnson & Sons in New Haven prior to her marriage in 1944 to Armand C. Gravino of New Haven. He predeceased her in 1981. They lived in West Haven, CT; in Guilford, CT where they raised their children; and Northford, CT. before moving to Hamden, CT. in 1979. Betty was a homemaker who enjoyed gardening, cooking, knitting, quilting, travel and her family. Betty is survived by her son and daughter-in-law Bob and Kathy Gravino of Ipswich, MA; her daughter and son-in-law BettiAnne and John Cristini of Wallingford, CT; grandchildren Tim Gravino and his wife Tara of Lithia, FL, and Kelly Russell and her husband Scott of Ipswich, MA; great grandsons Dominic and Joseph Gravino, and Liam and Finn Russell; her sister Virginia Costello of Cheshire, CT; and three generations of nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband, she was predeceased by sisters Gerry Wilson, Jeanne Nicolas, Joan Hampton, Shirley Jane Jester, and Mary Jane Jester; by brothers Harold Jester and Fred Jester; by a half sister Margaret Davis; and by a half brother Carl Melin. Her funeral will leave Sisk Brothers Funeral Home 3105 Whitney Ave. Hamden Wednesday at 9:30 am Mass of Christian Burial at IOam in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Hamden. Burial in All Saints Cemetery 700

Middletown Ave. North Haven. Friends may call Tuesday from 4 - 8 pm.  
Contributions in her memory may be made to CT. Hospice 100 Double Beach  
Rd. Branford, CT. 06405.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Elizabeth's family. I was fortunate to meet Elizabeth a couple of times at Bettina and Gianni's home; a most lovely lady! I hope the memories you all hold dearest about her will give you comfort in the days to come.*

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**Deb Sala** - April 12, 2011 at 06:01 PM

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“ *Kathy and Bob,  
I wish I could be with you at this time but know that my prayers are with your mother and my hope is that the gathering of family and grandchildren will support you both. I'll write at length this week.  
Love,  
Marianne*

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**Marianne Gupman** - April 12, 2011 at 03:39 PM

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“ *We will always carry with us the wonderful memories of our time with Betty; Governor's Island, Silver Spring, Burke, Baltimore and especially when she opened her CT home and graciously shared her limited holiday time with her children and grandchildren with us. Betty was a special lady and will be missed. Our deepest sympathy to all the Gravinos. Love, Anne and Ben*

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**Anne and Ben Stoppe** - April 12, 2011 at 03:11 PM

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“ *Aunt Betty knows how much fun we had on our many "field trips"; lots of laughs and good memories. Thanks for those Memories-we will miss you. Hi to all our relatives in Heaven. Love, Bruce and Joan*

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**Bruce and Joan Reynolds** - April 12, 2011 at 10:56 AM