



Josepha H. Story

September 17, 1932 - March 13, 2026

Josepha H. Story, 93, of North Haven passed away on Friday, March 13, 2026, at Yale New Haven Hospital, Saint Raphael Campus. Josepha was born in New Haven on September 17, 1932, and was the daughter of the late Wilbur A. Story and Cecilia Hogan Story. She was the beloved wife of the late Police Captain (retired) Hayes Gibson. She was predeceased by her three sisters: Barbara Everett, Margaret Benoit and Suzanne Gelati. She is survived by her daughter, Martha S. Corazzini, nieces, Maud S. Gelati (Charles Gravino), Aline Benoit (Marshall Burlingame), Sara James Everett Symington, (Fred Symington) and Niki Everett Venter (Peter Venter) and nephews, Gene Benoit (Robin) and Tony Everett. Josepha began her career in retail at the Edward Malley Company in New Haven while still in high school. She worked for many years in various roles, most notably as manager of the Bridal Salon. She also managed several other businesses and ultimately went on to open her own women's boutique, Josepha Mayo, in Hamden. Thanks to her many years of practical experience, she was asked to serve as an adjunct professor at the University of New Haven. Josepha's hobbies included needlework and watching sports; her favorite team was the Yankees. She was a champion for wildlife, even serving on the Conservation Commission in North Haven; however, her passion was animal rescue. Throughout her life she adopted many cats, dogs, even a rooster. Her latest dogs were Harry, Barbara and Sabrina. A private service was held according to Josepha's wishes. In lieu of flowers, those wishing may make a contribution in Josepha's memory to an

animal rescue of your choice.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Josepha loved to save her animals and the wildlife from cats dog's roosters raccoons coyotes and seagulls she always made sure they would have a place to stay and food for them she a very strong willed person that always took charge of the hardest problems and made sure that be solved she always would make us feel that we could take on any task at hand yet she still had the time to observe the beauty of nature we love you auntie Jo Maud & Charlie*

Mauds & Charlie - March 22 at 09:48 AM

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“ *Martha,
My sincere condolences on the passing of your mother.*

Jim DiCarlo - March 20 at 08:02 PM