



Margaret Cofrancesco

May 5, 1931 - January 13, 2026

Mrs. Margaret Cofrancesco, age 94, of Hamden, passed away Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at her most recent home at Masonicare. She was born on May 5, 1931, in New Haven, the daughter of the late Pasquale Cicarelli and Jennie Cicarelli.

Margaret was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years, Albert Cofrancesco. She is survived by her daughter Rita Smith (husband Kevin); her son Ernie Cofrancesco (wife Monica); her daughter Brenda Barth; her daughter Joan Ranniger (husband Brian); her 6 cherished grandchildren: Shawn Smith, Lauren Glidden, Ellen Barth, Jaimie Barth, Alex Ranniger, and Nick Ranniger; and her 4 great grandchildren: Kennedy, Lyla, Aiden and Madison.

Margaret was a devout catholic who always made family her highest priority. Calls to babysit, requests to assist with household tasks, or accompany grandkids on trips would be accepted without hesitation. Margaret was a graduate of Commercial High School in New Haven. She worked as a bookkeeper, then a homemaker, and later as a craft associate for Mrs. Hollander's Bookcraft business. Margaret instilled the values of making family your highest priority. She enjoyed the music of Frank Sinatra and Neil Diamond. She loved visits to New York City with her sister Jeanette and Monica, travel to Italy, and time with family. Regular exercise classes were a social opportunity and healthy habit for Margaret that she enjoyed until her late 80's.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be Celebrated Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church. Burial in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Donations can be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital at <https://www.stjude.org/donate/test-forms/donate-to-st-jude.html>.

Thank you to everyone for your thoughts and prayers for Margaret and her family. A special thanks to the staff at Masonicare Ramage 3, especially Sarah, who gave Margaret special attention with unrivaled expertise and fantastic bedside manner for the last several years of her life.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary Cemetery

3102 Whitney Ave.
Hamden, CT

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JAN 20. 9:30 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church
2819 Whitney Ave.
Hamden, CT