



## Lillian Tanguay Read

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Avon, Connecticut

Lillian Tanguay Read passed away on April 19, 2023, at the age of 96 after a short illness. Lillian was born in New Britain, Connecticut on February 9, 1927, to Omar Joseph “OJ” Tanguay and Elizabeth Bartus Tanguay. Lillian was predeceased by her brother, George Tanguay and her sister, Shirley Gibeau.

Lillian grew up in New Britain. While in middle school, she developed perfect script penmanship, a skill not achieved by most. Lillian graduated from New Britain High School in 1945. After graduating from Moody’s Secretarial School, Lillian worked for Raymond Engineering where she met her future loving and devoted husband Robert Wright Read. Lillian and Robert were married on April 17, 1948, and enjoyed nearly 60 years together until Robert’s death in 2007. Lillian initially worked part time for the telephone company and ultimately focused on raising their five children in Farmington. Later in life, she enjoyed working at Comstock, Ferre & Company in their crafts and gardening departments.

Lillian had a love of the seashore and spent many years enjoying the Connecticut shoreline. She also enjoyed gardening, seafood, UCONN

Basketball, creating greeting cards, and spending time with her grandchildren. Lillian lived most of her life in Connecticut but moved to Texas in 2005 to enjoy retirement with her husband. She lived in the retirement community until 2019 when she returned to Connecticut and lived in Farmington and Avon.

Lillian's five children are Susan Ann Moskal (Jerry John Moskal), Robert W Read, Jr (Debra E Read), Jim Read (Laura Read), Marjorie Read Rowlett (and the late James Dennis Rowlett), and David Wright Read (Carrieann Read).

Lillian's ten grandchildren called her "Gram". They are Jessica Blaise Lipham (Russell Arthur Finger), Kelly Read Hayes (John Alden Hayes), Jennifer Read Litchford (Brandon T Litchford), Matt Read (Tatiana Read), Ashley Duncan (Bryce Duncan), Stephanie Amanda Rowlett, Melissa Anne Rowlett, DavidRobert Read (Meghan Read), AustinJoseph Read (Cara Read), and CarmelaAnn Read.

Gram's eleven great grandchildren are Max Wright Finger, Jade Elea-riel Finger, Daniel Read Hayes, Lily Alden Hayes, Harrison Wright Read, Anabella Lillian Read, Ikora Rey Litchford, Halli Read, BayLeigh Read, Lillian Lou Read, and Guinevere Jones.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Saint Peter Claver Church located at 47 Pleasant Street, West Hartford, Connecticut on Friday, April 28, 2023, at 10 a.m.

Lillian will be laid to rest next to her husband at Fairview Cemetery, 200 Whitman Avenue, West Hartford following the Mass.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association at [heart.org](http://heart.org).

Online expressions of sympathy at [www.molloyfuneralhome.com](http://www.molloyfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery

200 Whitman Ave.  
West Hartford, CT

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

APR 28. 10:00 AM (ET)

Church of St. Peter Claver  
47 Pleasant St.  
West Hartford, CT

# Tribute Wall

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“ One of my favorite memories took place many years ago. Bob and I were living out-of -state at that time and drove to CT to visit with his parents. When we pulled into the driveway, their house looked dark. As we entered the door to the porch, his mom had a big smile on her face and was laughing. Come to find out, their power had just gone out so they had candles everywhere. Bob’s mom had made a huge homemade pot of clam chowder along with steamers to be dipped in butter. Eating by candlelight turned out to be really special, and the four of us had lots of laughs!

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**Debra Read** - April 24, 2023 at 04:36 PM

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“ I remember last summer going to the shore for a lobster dinner with Lillian, Jim , Laura and myself. She had her lobster, which she loved, and we had a lot of laughs. Rest in peace, Lillian 🙏 Annette Riccio

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**Annette Riccio** - April 23, 2023 at 07:21 PM