



## Patricia C. Bardsley

October 7, 1924 - September 2, 2025

Patricia C. Bardsley of West Hartford, CT passed away peacefully at home from old age with her lifelong friend Janice C. Beauregard by her side on September 2, 2025.

Born on October 7, 1924 in Fall River, Mass to James and Gertrude (Quinn) Bardsley, Pat was 100 years and 11 months old.

Deceased before her are two siblings, brother Paul (died 1988) and sister Virginia M. (Bardsley) Meehan (died 2000). It was Patricia's beautiful smile that attracted the many friends that attest to her loving personality. She was an exceptional friend to all those who knew her, culturing lifelong friendships. She was kind and thoughtful in her serene way.

For 47 years, Pat worked at Aetna Insurance Company, Hartford, CT. Her distinguished service record discloses many accolades. She was a Loss Prevention Underwriter before retiring. After which a list of volunteer posts detail her various interests, between cultural exchange travels that seemingly embraced the globe. Pat would glow when she visited landmarks on different continents, in different countries and in our own nation. When speaking and sharing memories on her travels one realized that traveling meant everything to Pat. She had a thirst for knowledge and learning the customs, arts, social institutions, and achievements of a particular nation, people, or other social

group. One cannot forget, however, Pat's best and dearest friend Janice also providing Pat with many memorable vacations hopping from Caribbean island to island on cruises, touring dozens of our United States while representing the Pilot Club International especially enjoying eating lobsters and New England seafood in Maine or on Cape Cod. And who can forget the years of Pat pulling the "arm" or lever on the right side of the penny slot machines and attending the glitz, glamour, enchantment, and magic of casino shows in Las Vegas, Atlantic City, and Connecticut.

West Hartford's Town Hall Department of Social Services as well as West Hartford's Senior Center Bishop's Corner adored Pat for her consistent and loyal volunteerism. Always kind and flexible in assignments, Pat made sure to follow up on the wellness of those who needed help and care.

As President of the Pilot Club of Hartford (an international organization), Pat greeted Hartford mayor Ann Uccello and other dignitaries. Membership to the Pilot Club of Hartford was by personal invitation.

By the way, Pat traveled extensively up until the age of 95.

Her love for theater found her supporting all the art organizations, including Albano Ballet Company in Connecticut.

On January 15, 2020, when Pat suffered a stroke, leaving her with global aphasia, her lifelong friend Janice moved in with Pat to give her twenty-four hour seven days a week care enabling Pat to live out her days loved and honored by not only Janice but her many friends and caregivers, Carolyn and Jeanette.

At 99 years and 11 months, Pat amazingly was able to vacation one week in East Falmouth, Cape Cod, as she had done for the past 20 years. Many

memorable lobster bakes on her surfside patio with Liz and Glenn and especially this final one. One special highlight was her trip to Martha's Vineyard aboard the Island Queen, Falmouth. She sat at the open stern watching the seagulls fly above her head and smiled and waved to the passengers on the many boats that sailed by.

This past October 7, 2024 Pat celebrated her 100th birthday with over 40 friends in attendance at a dinner held at the Far East Buffet, Wethersfield.

All that knew her will remember her for her elegant attire for all occasions. She was a proud true American Renaissance lady all the way.

In God's mercy, Pat's passing was peaceful. While we mourn her loss, we who profess to be Christians should also rejoice in the certain knowledge that this dear woman of generous love has returned to the Father who sends us all into this world. Patricia has earned her seat at His Family Table and is saving our places for the day we are called and reunited with her.

All are welcome to join for a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Thomas the Apostle on October 4th at 10:00AM. The interment will take place at a later date in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Norwich, CT. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations are welcome to the Alzheimer's Association CT chapter or a charity of your choice.

Patricia's family of dear friends are grateful for your presence in her life.

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

OCT 4. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas the Apostle  
872 Farmington Ave.  
West Hartford, CT  
(860) 233-8269

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ Pat will be missed. She was a very important part of the Beauregard family. I recall when "the girls" all sat by my mother's bedside on one of the last days of her life. My mother shared a loving comment about each of us and commented that she had a wonderful son and wonderful sons-in-law. All the Beauregard girls have names that begin with the letter J. The inlaws also have names that begin with the letter J - Jim, Jim, Joe and Jamie.

When my mother turned to Pat she told her she loved her like a daughter! It was then that I told Pat she needed to select a name that started with the letter J. I pegged her as "Jat."

Pat, Jat, was one of the kindest, most patient people you would ever meet.

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**Joan Beauregard** - September 26, 2025 at 08:01 PM

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“ On behalf of the entire Surfside family we send our deepest condolences. It was a joy having Pat at the resort year after year with Janice by her side. What a beautiful life she lived and we are grateful to have been apart of her fondest memories.



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**Natalie** - September 23, 2025 at 06:07 PM

JR

“ My dear Pat, I love you very much as a member of the Beauregard family. Your many, many decades being in our lives was so bright and we will forever hold fond memories of you close to our heart. Your sweet, soft spoken voice and kind nature always made being in your company delightful. You listened so intently when others shared stories; your cackle-like chuckle (called that with endearment) will always have a place in our mind.

We all loved the many, many hundreds of hours - perhaps even more - we all sat together as a family “sharing bread” laughing, and loving each other. Mother and Dad loved you and appreciated your thoughtfulness when you assisted in anything we were all doing and enjoying as a family.

I will never forget your homemade cinnamon walnut coffee cake and cranberry walnut cake. Whenever you walked through the Broad Street double front glass doors with your gold colored, handled, plastic, Tupperware cake carrier, we all knew we were in for a magnificent treat after we enjoyed a scrumptious meal made by Dad. After “supper,” during the clean-up stage, the large clear glass Pyrex coffee pot would be placed on the range burner for the coffee to brew, as the table was reset for dessert, so we could all enjoy Pat’s cake with a cup of coffee (you naturally always took your cup black). After everyone was served a helping, I was always quick to remove the cake platter from the center of the table to go hide the cake so we’d have more for our morning coffee. I could go on and on ...

Pat, God blessed us with you for 100 years and 11 months, we will forever be grateful to Him. You have now gone before us to set the table, and we will reunite with you when we are called. Give Mother, Dad and Jim a kiss for us and continue to smile down on us. Remember to also give us signs...

Signed, Jolene, for your Family

**JOLENE RUFFO** - September 20, 2025 at 01:22 AM