



## Mary B. Henchar

November 30, 1924 - November 9, 2023

Mary Veronica Bednarik Henchar died peacefully on November 9, 2023. Mary was born on November 30, 1924 in Czechoslovakia to John and Anna Bednarik.

She immigrated to the United States on the S.S. Veendam in 1939. Once in America, Mary lived in Brooklyn, learned English, and became a U.S. citizen. She worked in residences, factories, sewing uniforms and welding military jeeps for the war effort, and worked in a private school where she met Bobby Kennedy searching for his sister's suitcase in a closet.

In 1947, she married John Henchar and moved to Stamford, CT. She and her husband raised a family of five children. They traveled and had homes in Florida and Vermont. Mary loved the beach, going to Disney World, watching movies, crocheting, and participating in Church activities where she was an active parishioner at St. Benedict's Church for many years.

Mary is predeceased by her parents, husband, sister Anna Bernal, and brothers-in-law Leo Caputo and Fred Bernal.

She is survived by her brother, Julius Bednarik, sister-in-law Marie Bednarik, five children John (Vera) Henchar, Gregory (Jennie) Henchar, Mary (William) Richards, Joan Flannery, and Anne (Wayne) Heller, her grandchildren, Teresa,

Paul, Joel (Mercy), Peter, Jeffrey, Paul (Suzanne), Alison, and Christine (Michael). She is also survived by her great-grandchildren, Kielle, Kaleia, Keira, Andrew, and Trey, cousin Erasmo Iovino, many nieces and nephews, and by her devoted caretakers Lorna Manning and Teisha Nichols.

Family will receive relatives and friends from 4pm to 8pm on Tuesday, November 14, at Bosak Funeral Home, 453 Shippan Avenue, Stamford, CT. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 11am on Wednesday, November 15, at St. Benedict-Our Lady of Montserrat Church, Interment to follow at St. John Cemetery, 25 Camp Avenue, Darien, CT.

If you wish to make a remembrance for the family online, please sign the family guestbook at [www.bosakfuneralhome.com](http://www.bosakfuneralhome.com) or [www.facebook.com/bosakfuneralhome](http://www.facebook.com/bosakfuneralhome)

# Cemetery Details

## St. John Cemetery (Darien)

25 Camp Avenue  
Darien, CT 06820

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **14**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bosak Funeral Home & Cremation  
453 Shippan Avenue  
Stamford, CT 06902

## Funeral Mass

NOV **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Benedict/Our Lady of Montserrat Church  
1 St. Benedict Circle  
Stamford, CT 06902

# Tribute Wall

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“ I'm so sorry to see this. I didn't know. My condolences to the family. I would have been at the service had I known. Mary was the matriarch of Willowbrook. Of course I remember being at the house as a child. Mary and John were always good to us kids. She will be missed. Sharon Weaver

Sharon weaver - December 09, 2023 at 07:08 PM



A Great and very kind lady...neighbors for almost 30 years! Willowbrook Place would have not been the same without her!

Dan Eckman - July 26, 2024 at 11:30 AM

JD

“ I will always remember how nice Mary was to me everytime I went to visit my best friend's house, Joan, while I was in High School. So long ago. She will truly be missed.

Joyce Davis - November 14, 2023 at 03:46 PM

LO

Lorna I will always remember Mary she was a loving mother Grandmother She is a people Person Friendly May her soul rest in peace .

Lorna - November 17, 2023 at 11:46 AM