



## Barbara B. Downie

December 4, 1918 - August 16, 2003

Barbara B. Downie, 84, of New Britain, died Saturday August 16, 2003 at Southington Care Center. Born in Hamden, she was the daughter of the late Andrew and Barbara Bruce Downie. A graduate of New Britain High School, Class of 1936, she was employed at W.L. Hatch Company in New Britain for 37 years, retiring in 1982. Barbara was a member of South Congregational-First Baptist Church in New Britain; served as National Regional Vice President of the National Association of Insurance Women; she served 2 terms as President of the Hartford Association of Insurance Women; volunteered at Little Flock preschool in New Britain from 1989-1999; and was Tenant Representative to the Board of Directors of the Erwin Home. Surviving is a brother, Andrew A. Downie Jr. and his wife Paula of New Britain; a niece and three nephews, Chuck Downie and his wife Sharon of Plantsville; Roger Downie and his wife Elaine of Winsted; Margaret Yeterian and her husband Edward of Sidney, Maine; and Douglas Wellock and his wife Jean of Cheyenne, Wyoming; 6 grandnieces and grandnephews, Thomas Downie and his wife Rebecca of Southington; Timothy Downie of Plantsville; Robert and Julie Yeterian of Sidney, Maine; Alex and Victoria Wellock of Cheyenne, Wyoming. She was predeceased by a sister, Jean Wellock. Funeral services are Wednesday 1 PM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery. Calling hours are Tuesday evening from 5 to 7 PM at Carlson Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Erwin Home Memorial Fund, 140 Bassett

Street, New Britain, CT 06051. Please share a memory of Barbara with her family on our online guestbook by clicking on "sign memorial guestbook" at the top or bottom of the page.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Andrew and Family,  
We were sorry to read of Barbara's passing in the Courant. I have lots of memories of the Downie family going way back to when I was a kid and visited your mother Barbara with my mother Jessie as a kid. I don't recall what they talked about, but I was content with a glass of milk and a cookie! Barbara, your sister, was always a very special presence and when I visited her at the W.L. Hatch Co. to either pay a bill or get information about new insurance for cars or our home, Barbara would always have time to say hello and to talk about the old days and our visits to Maple Street from our house on Vega Street. My mother always would say regarding Barbara - "She's such a nice lassie and so good to her mother!" The last time we saw Barbara was at a Strawberry Supper at South Church in New Britian when I had brought my choir from our church in Windsor down for a treat and the following concert. Boy, did we have fun remembering family and friends - it was such a pleasure to see her looking almost as I remembered her. My folks, Duncan and Jessie have been gone since the 60's, but there's not a moment that I don't miss their presence in our lives. We have two grown sons and a wonderful grandson from our son Christopher and his wife, Kathleen. Ashton is the apple of our eyes and then some. We are sorry that we will be unable to join you for the funeral, but will be thinking of you as you say goodbye to Barbara. With our sympathy and prayers for peace in your hearts-----  
John and Joanne Coghill  
P.S. My brother, Henry, celebrated his 75th. birthday last month and is hale and hearty - he drags me along 13 years behind!

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**John/Joanne Coghill** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM