



## Betty Jane (Holmberg) Nygren

September 18, 1926 - November 24, 2016

Betty Jane (Holmberg) Nygren, 90, of Kensington, widow of William A. Nygren, passed away Thursday (November 24, 2016) at the Jerome Home. Born in New Britain, Betty Jane is a graduate of New Britain High School, Class of 1943, and has been a Kensington resident since 1951. She was formerly employed at New Britain Machine and was a lifelong member of First Lutheran Church in New Britain, where she sang as a soloist earlier in her life. She spent most her time raising her children and caring for her extended family.

A devoted wife and mother, Betty Jane leaves two sons, William A. Nygren, Jr. and his wife Theresa of West Hartford; Robert Nygren and his wife Kellie of Berlin; a daughter, Barbara Nygren McDonald and her husband Joseph of Boxborough, MA; six grandchildren, Brett McDonald and his wife Jaclyn; Shane and Ryan McDonald; Katrina, Valerie and Hallie Nygren; a great granddaughter, Chloe McDonald; and a sister-in-law, Mabel Holmberg of New Britain. Besides her beloved husband William Nygren, she was predeceased by a brother, Norman Holmberg.

Funeral services are Monday 11 AM at First Lutheran Church, 77 Franklin Square, New Britain, CT 06051. Burial will follow in Maple Cemetery, Berlin. Calling hours are Sunday 4 to 6 PM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. Donations may be made to the First Lutheran Church.

Betty Jane's family wishes to express their heartfelt thanks to the entire staff at the Jerome Home for their years of loving care. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at [www.carlsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Maple Cemetery

Worthington Ridge  
Berlin, CT 06037

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

NOV 27. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Carlson Funeral Home  
45 Franklin Square  
New Britain, CT 06051  
(860) 225-6361  
carlsonfh@aol.com  
<https://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

NOV 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Lutheran Church  
77 Franklin Square  
New Britain, CT 06051

# Tribute Wall

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“ To the Nygren Family - I was sorry to read Betty Jane's obituary in the Hartford Courant and wanted to express my sympathy. Betty Jane was my first (and only) beloved babysitter when I was growing up on Vega Street in New Britain in the 1940s and 1950s. My parents, Duncan and Jessie Coghill chose wisely when they had Betty Jane serve as my occasional babysitter. My mother often said that she thought that I loved Betty Jane and I think I really did when I was a young lad. It wasn't often that my parents left me in Betty Jane's care, but all sorts of memories flooded my mind when I read of her passing in the paper. I also was very fond of Linnea and Carl Holmberg, your grandparents, and remember hearing that Linnea played the piano in my in-laws' home in Kensington after attending our wedding in 1964 when people gathered there after our wedding reception at First Church on Corbin Avenue. Vega Street/Ash Street were what my mother used to call "The League of Nations" as there were all sorts of nationalities represented on those two streets and it was a safe place to grow up and I have fond memories of my early years. My brother, Henry, is now 88 and I turned 75 this past September - much time has passed, but good memories endure. Please know that I will keep your families in my thoughts and prayers as you mourn the loss of Betty Jane. John D. Coghill, Windsor, CT

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**John D. Coghill** - November 27, 2016 at 09:34 PM