



## Cleo Wendrowski Meligonis

July 18, 1917 - May 15, 2010

Cleo Wendrowski Meligonis, 92, of Enfield, widow of George Meligonis, former owner of Strand Lunch, passed away Saturday May 15, 2010 at the Hebrew Home & Hospital in West Hartford. Born in Waterbury, daughter of the late Vincent and Josephine Mihalek Wendrowski, Cleo is a former New Britain resident, lived in Kensington most of her life, moving to Enfield one year ago. She was employed at the former Strand Lunch with her husband George and later at Brunswick Company in New Britain for eight years, retiring in 1982. Cleo is a former member of the Women's Auxiliary of New Britain VFW Post; and a former member of St. Joseph's Church in New Britain.

Surviving are two daughters, Margaret "Peggy" Meligonis Meagher of Enfield; and Jennifer Meligonis DeJohn and her husband Richard of East Hartford; a grandson; a granddaughter; two great grandsons; and several nieces and nephews. Besides her husband George, she was predeceased by a son, George W. Meligonis; a brother and four sisters.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday 5 PM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. Burial will be at the convenience of the family in Fairview Cemetery. Calling hours are Wednesday from 3 to 5 PM at Carlson Funeral Home. Donations may be made to HARC, 900 Asylum Ave., MS # 1035, Hartford, CT 06105. Please share a memory or note of sympathy by clicking on "Memory Tributes" at the bottom of this page.



# Tribute Wall

RM

“ *sorry to hear about your mom and hope your doing great*

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**russell mcqueeney** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ *I first met Cleo when I went to the restaurant at the YWCA. She did not retire from working, she just moved locations. She helped a new woman-owned business succeed. Now there is a spirit to admire.*

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**Shane Rood** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ *While I had only met Cleo one time, when Jennifer was taking her out for a ride and stopped by HARC to pick something up, I was taken by her elfin face and twinkling eyes. I had the feeling this was a woman who lived life on her own terms! My heartfelt condolences go out to Jennifer and Peggy in the loss of their mother. My thoughts and prayers are with them.*

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**Diana Appleton** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Mom, thank you for giving me the strength and resilience to survive whatever came my way. Thank you for teaching me to appreciate and respect nature, and the wisdom to understand it is our responsibility to protect it. Thank you for sharing your love of music and dance. And most of all, in the latter part of your life - you shared with me your deep appreciation for the small things that we forget to look at and be in awe. While you had more than your fair share of faults and failings. I learned the love of reading from you, how to speak up and not be afraid to stand up for what was right and just, even when you found yourself to be the only one standing. Thank you. I love you. You will always be in my heart and thoughts. I wish you a safe journey to a place of peace and sunshine. Jennifer

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**Jennifer Meligonis DeJohn** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM