



## Mary Ann Desena

July 9, 1935 - October 23, 2019

Mary Ann (Benjamin) Desena, 84, of Hampstead, NH, widow of Leonard Desena, passed away Wednesday (October 23, 2019) in New Hampshire. Born in New Britain, Mary Ann was a former Newington resident moving to New Hampshire in 2013. Mary Ann and her family were also former Milford, MA residents. A graduate of New Britain High School, Class of 1953 and the New Britain General Hospital School of Nursing, she was a Registered Nurse and helped open the hospital in McAllen, Texas as well as serving at several other locations. Mary Ann was a member of St. Thomas Assyrian Church of the East in New Britain; and was Chairman of the Milford, MA Public Library Committee. She enjoyed growing up with her cousins, who were like siblings to her, and remained close to them her whole life.

Surviving are two sons, Dr. Matthew Desena and his wife Erika of Hampstead, NH; and Michael Desena of Aberdeen, MD; seven grandchildren, Christopher Desena, Elizabeth Desena, Ben Desena, Jayson Clohecy, Rachel Desena, Joshua Clohecy and Elise Clohecy; niece, Debbie Vitale, and nephews, Jonathan Vitale, and Robert Desena. Besides her husband Leonard, she was predeceased by a sister, Sarah Vitale.

Funeral Services will be held Monday 1 PM at St. Thomas Assyrian Church of the East, 120 Cabot Street, New Britain. Calling hours will be held Monday from 12 noon until of the time of the service at the church. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 825 Brook Street, I-91 Tech Center, Rocky Hill, CT 06067.

The Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain is assisting with arrangements.  
Please share a memory or note of sympathy at [www.carlsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## St. Thomas Assyrian Cemetery

Barbour Road  
New Britain, CT

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

OCT 28. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Thomas Assyrian Church of the East  
120 Cabot Street  
New Britain, CT 06053

## Funeral Service

OCT 28. 1:00 PM (ET)

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120 Cabot Street  
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# Tribute Wall

CP

“ *Michael & family,  
Blessings in the days ahead. Your parents were special to me and  
the Trinity Parish in Milford.  
Choir member.  
Cathy Poch*

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**Catherine Poch** - October 28, 2019 at 07:07 PM

PE

“ *I'm sorry I couldn't be there for Mary Ann, she  
was a loving person. She will be missed. My  
condolences to her family and loved ones. Paul  
Eshoo*



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**Paul Eshoo** - October 28, 2019 at 02:09 PM

GC

“ *Hi Matt, Mike and Family sorry for the loss of your mother. I will  
always remember her warm smile and the times we shared growing  
up in Milford.*

*Guy*

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**Guy Consoletti** - October 27, 2019 at 09:03 PM

SL

“ *Auntie Maryann was so special to me. I loved her so much. I always  
called her Other Mother. She was such a loving and good person. I  
will miss our long heartfelt conversations and knowing she is so  
close. ~ Susan*

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**Susan Lance** - October 25, 2019 at 03:25 PM

EB

“ *I will always miss you! Love Elaine*

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**Elaine Boland** - October 25, 2019 at 02:54 PM