

## Obituaries

### Erminio N. Martinelli, came to America from Italy at 16

Erminio N. Martinelli, 94, of Plainville, died on July 7. He was born on Dec. 21, 1915 in Mello, Italy to Domenico and Maria (Martinelli) Martinelli.

He came to America at the age of 16 and later became an apprentice in the home construction and Connecticut roads/new highways fields. He then learned the toolmaker/machinist trade and worked as head foreman at Bristol Machine and Tool Co. during World War II. In 1960, he began Electro Machine and Tool, Inc. (Plant 1 and 2) in Bristol, CT. where he was instrumental in making parts for NASA and the aeronautical industry. He was a life-long member of BPOE (Benevolent

Protective Order of Elks) in Bristol and a founding member of The Italian Social Club in Forestville.

He is survived by his daughters, Melanie Martinelli Gajarsa of Washington, DC and Marie Martinelli of Plainville; seven grandchildren: James Gajarsa, Karen Guinea Tomczyk, Brian Martinelli Guinea, Jessica Gajarsa, Melissa Gajarsa, Jason Gajarsa and Robert Gajarsa; five great-grandchildren: Elyssa and Sarah Tomczyk, Zachary and Zoe Abbott and Francesca Gajarsa; a brother, Marino Martinelli; a sister, Ida Martinelli; and sev-



Martinelli

eral nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his wife of 62 years, Lena (Tarca) Martinelli; his infant daughter, Marjorie Martinelli; his sister, Mary Roberts; his brother, Martin Martinelli; his niece, Valerie (Guarino) Calavolpe, and his nephew, David E. Martinelli.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, July 13 from the O'Brien Funeral Home, 24 Lincoln Ave., Forestville, to Our Lady of Mercy Church, Plainville, for a Mass of Christian Burial.

Burial followed in St. Joseph Cemetery, Plainville.

Memorial donations may be made to The Plainville Community Food Pantry, Inc. 54 South Canal Street, Plainville, CT. 06062.

### Mrs. Dorothy Quinto, worked in A&P meat department

Mrs. Dorothy (Williams) Quinto, widow of Armand Quinto, died Saturday, July 10 at Ingraham Manor Nursing Home, Bristol, at the age of 96.

She was born in Bristol on June 25, 1914, to Henry and Josephine (Swain) Williams. She grew up in Newfoundland, Canada, and lived there for several years before returning to Bristol. In 1943, she met Armand Quinto and they were married in 1944. They remained married for 54 years until her husband passed away in 1998. She was employed at the A&P Supermarket in their meat department from 1952 until

they closed the store and continued to work for the IGA store until she retired. She

was a member of St. Anthony's Church and an active member in the Rosary Society, and she also enjoyed her many years volunteering at St. Anthony's Italian Festival.

She is survived by her three sons: Rev. Armand R. Quinto, SDB, of Orange, NJ; Ron Quinto from Palm Springs, CA; Robert Quinto of Bristol; five grandchildren: Dean, Sonny, Justin, Michael and Andrew; and



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several nieces, nephews, grand nieces and grand nephews.

Besides her husband, she was predeceased by her brother Harold Williams.

The funeral was held on Wednesday, July 14 from the Dunn Funeral Home 191 West St. to St. Anthony Church for A Mass of Christian Burial. Burial followed follow in St. Joseph Cemetery, Bristol.

Memorial donations may be made to The Don Bosco Formation Community, 518 - B Valley St. Orange, NJ 07050.

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### Julio Parenti, served in Marines during World War II

Julio Parenti, 88, widower of Lillian (Rindfleisch) Parenti died Tuesday, July 13 in Farmington.

He was born in Bristol on July 12, 1922 and was a son of the late Domenico and Filomena (Corsetti) Parenti.

He was a tool and die maker at Associated Spring Co., Division of Barnes Group, retiring in 1987. He was a United States Marine Corps veteran of World War II, serving in the Asiatic/Pacific Area during the war. He was a parishioner of St. Anthony Church and an usher there for many

years. He was a lifetime member of the VFW.

He leaves a daughter, Rhonda Parenti of Bristol; a son, Mark Parenti of Upland, CA; a brother, Olindo Parenti of Bristol; a sister, Elda Grabowski of Bristol; two grandsons, William Lozito and Anthony Parenti, both of Bristol; three grandchildren, Christian, Connor and Jakub Campbell, all of Upland, CA; three great grandchildren Caleigh and Connor Lozito and Spencer Parenti, and many nieces and nephews.

Besides his wife, he was

predeceased by a son, Enrico "Rick" Parenti and a sister, Carmina Gryczkiewicz.

The funeral was held Monday, July 19 from DuPont Funeral Home, 25 Bellevue Ave., Bristol, followed by a mass in St. Anthony Church, Bristol. Burial with full military honors followed in St. Joseph Cemetery, Bristol.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Anthony Church, 111 School St., Bristol, CT 06010.

www.dupontfuneral-home.com.

### Kenneth F. Aylett, worked in spring manufacturing for 50 years

Kenneth F. Aylett, 85, of Bristol, widower of Martha (Beyer) Aylett, died on Friday, July 9 at Amberwoods of Farmington.

He was born in England on Oct. 30, 1924 and was a son of the late Frank and Elsie (Booth) Aylett. A long time Bristol resident, he worked in spring manufacturing for 50 years with 40 of those years with Dayon Manufacturing of Farmington before retiring at the age of 82. He was a member and at one time very active at St. John Episcopal Church, Bristol. He was a United States Army veteran of World War II.

He is survived by a son, Bradford Aylett of New Britain; two daughters, Donna

Douyard of Bristol and Holly Rozman of New Britain; two brothers, Richard Aylett of Texas and Edward Aylett of Bristol; two sisters, Kathleen Damuck of Wallingford and Irene Anderson of Ohio; four grandchildren, Stacey, Eric, and Kyle Douyard and Justin Aylett; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was prede-



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ceased by a sister, Gloria Catucci.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, July 13 from Funk Funeral Home, 35 Bellevue Ave., Bristol, to St. John Episcopal Church, Bristol for a Requiem Mass.

Burial, with military honors, followed in Peacedale Cemetery, Bristol.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 825 Brook St., I-91 Tech Ctr., Rocky Hill, CT 06067-3045.

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### Robert R. Galway, retired from Bristol Instrument Gears

Robert R. Galway, 86, of Bristol, husband of the late Claire (Sheldon) Galway died on Wednesday, July 14 at Bay State Medical Center in Springfield, MA.

He was born in Thomaston on Feb. 11, 1924 and was the son of the late Harry and Clara (Haderer) Galway. A Bristol resident for more than 70 years, he attended local schools, and had a long career as a machinist with Bristol Instrument Gears, retiring in 2005 at the age of 81. He had served in the Army, 75 TH Infantry Division during World War II, attaining the rank of staff sergeant and receiving the Bronze Star Medal, Victory Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. He was an avid basketball player; he played for the Bristol Tramps and the New Britain Industrial League. He continued playing basketball at The Bristol Boys Club with the Oilers, well into his mid-40s.

He is survived a son, Shaun Galway of W. Springfield, MA; a daughter,

Laurie Judd of Coto De Caza, CA; four grandchildren, Butch Marquis Michelle, Nicole Roth, Katharine Galway, and Brian Judd; five great grandchildren, Ariel, Bridgette, and Veronica Marquis, Kaila and Corryn Roth; and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by two brothers and three sisters, James and Henry Galway, Agnes Galway, Anne Eckstrom, and Claire

Brophy.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, July 17 at Funk Funeral Home, 35 Bellevue Ave., Bristol. Burial with military honors followed at Peacedale Cemetery.

Memorial donations in his memory may be made to: Parkinson's Disease Foundation, 640 West 168th Street, New York, NY 10032.

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### Celebrating 225 years of city history

To commemorate a landmark year in the city's history, the Bristol 225th Anniversary Committee will be sharing every other week in The Bristol Observer post cards depicting Bristol's historic past. This image shows the first St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church built in 1855. St. Joseph's was the first Catholic parish in Bristol. From the left, the rectory, convent and school, all built in the early 20th century. These buildings faced Queen Street across from the Federal Hill Green. A new church was built in 1925. The school was replaced by its present structure in the early 1960s.

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