



Helen J Ostaszewski

May 26, 1926 - June 9, 2026

ST AUGUSTINE, FL: Helen J. Ostaszewski entered eternal rest on Tuesday June 9, 2026 at her home. She was 100 years old. Helen was born on May 26, 1926 in Stamford, CT and was the daughter of the late Stephen and Josephine Skorlutowska Cackowski.

She was predeceased by her husband of 44 years, John Stanley Ostaszewski, as well as her second husband of 10 years Joy Bud Christoffel, six brothers (George, Walter, Joseph, Stephen, Frank and Stanley Cackowski), five sisters (Stephenie Lindsey, Florence Sedlmayer, Loretta Mogelnicki, Mary Roxburgh, and Josephine Detmer), her son-in-law Dennis Geronimo and her grandson James Geronimo.

Helen is survived by her daughter Joan M. Geronimo of St. Augustine, FL, her son John S. Ostaszewski and wife Renee of Monroe, CT, two grandchildren Lauren Philbrick (George) and Stephen Ostaszewski (Rebecca) as well as five great-grandchildren James Geronimo (Emily),

Michael Geronimo (Alexandra), Charlotte, Elise and Miles Philbrick, and three great-great granddaughters Addison, Olivia and Isla Geronimo.

A private prayer service will be held in St. Augustine. A mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at St. Matthew Church in Norwalk, CT on July 10th at 10 am followed by burial at St. John's Cemetery in Norwalk.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Concierge Care of St. Augustine (www.conciergecarefl.com) who provided loving caregivers for Helen for the last eight years of her life, or SAFE Pet Rescue in St. Augustine (www.safe-pet-rescue-fl.com) where she adopted her last companion pet, Princess. Helen's family would also like to thank the staff of VITAS for the professional and compassionate care they provided.

Cemetery Details

St. John Cemetery

Norwalk, CT 06850