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FUNERAL HOME

Newkirk & Whitney Funeral Home
318 Burnside Ave
East Hartford, Connecticut

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Loretta Francis Obituary

Loretta "La" Francis, 94 years of age, passed away peacefully on Wednesday Dec. 27th, 2023, at the UCONN Health Center in Farmington, CT. Loretta was born in [Hartford, CT](#) March 31, 1929, to the late Raymond and Catherine Penning. She graduated from Weaver High School in 1947 and went on to work at the Travelers Insurance Company. She was a survivor of the Hartford Circus Fire. La enjoyed gardening, feeding the birds, watching "Soaps" and spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Everyone called her "La" and she was the best Stay at Home Mom there ever was. She was married for 63 years to the love of her life, John, and cherished being a mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. Loretta was predeceased by her husband John Francis Jr, sister Marion Deskus and two brothers.

Loretta leaves her son Robert and his wife Kim, her son Thomas and his wife Cindy, her son John Raymond and his partner Marsha and her closest friend Maeve Brasa and her husband Ken. She also leaves her grandchildren Cory, Nikki, Brett, Cassidy, Samantha, Emily, Ajay and great grandchildren Wyatt, Julian, Dean, Lillian, and Rhys. Calling Hours for Loretta will be held Saturday, December 30, 2023 from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM at Newkirk & Whitney Funeral Home, 318 Burnside Ave, East [Hartford, Connecticut](#) 06108. Funeral Home Service will occur Saturday, December 30, 2023 at 11:00 AM, at Newkirk and Whitney Funeral Home 318 Burnside Ave, East [Hartford, Connecticut](#) 06108. Committal Service will occur Saturday, December 30, 2023 at 11:45 AM at Silver Lane Cemetery, 1280 Silver Lane, East [Hartford, CT](#). to sign the online guestbook go to www.newkirkandwhitney.com In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to [St. Jude Children's Research Hospital](#) or The Shriners Hospital.

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