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Betty Torpey, 87, Active in National Secretaries Association, Former Longtime Darien Resident

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Betty B. Torpey, a resident of Stamford since 1976 and of Darien for 40 years prior, passed away on Nov. 10. She was 87.

She was born Sept. 24, 1934 in Amsterdam, New York to Robert Harold Barrigar and Mary Elizabeth Weigand.

Betty graduated from Darien High School and started her lifelong career in various capacities from administrative assistant, bookkeeper, and executive secretary to office manager for several companies in Stamford, Norwalk and New York City and then joined a small family business to set up and manage its

office operation.

She was actively involved in what was the National Secretaries Association, now known as the International Association of Administrative Professionals. She served as president of both the Norwalk Chapter and the Connecticut Division and addressed many local business, civic and educational organizations and traveled nationwide representing the Connecticut Division.

She was instrumental in bringing the organizations national convention to Connecticut and was its conference coordinator. After retirement she joined The Stamford Women's Club in 2013 and served as their president for a short time due to medical issues.

Betty was pre-deceased by her former husband, Donald Huntsman Scofield; her husband, Donald Joseph Torpey, and later life companion of 17 years, Henry Mazza. She was also pre-deceased by sisters Mary Avery, Dorothy Scofield and Edna Helt, and brothers Robert Barrigar, James Barrigar.

She is survived by her son, Donald Scofield; his wife, Cindy; and son, Ronald Scofield,; her grandchildren: Christopher Scofield, Stephanie Scofield Taliercio, Lyndsey Scofield Witkowski and David Scofield; her great-grandchildren: Anthony and Luca Taliercio and former daughter-in-law Maryann Avery Scofield; and several nieces and nephews.

Calling hours will be from 3 to 5 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 20, 2021 at Edward Lawrence Funeral Home, 2119 Post Road, Darien. Internment will take place at 11 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 23, at Spring Grove Cemetery.

— [an obituary](#) from *Lawrence Funeral Home*, where online condolences may be left