

## **Wilma Sanford, 92, Owned Darien Pet Shop, Deaconess at Evangelical Community Church**

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Wilma Mary Sanford, age 91, of Darien passed away peacefully on Oct. 12 with her loving family by her side.

Wilma was born on Nov. 28, 1926 in Aberdeen, Scotland.

After marrying her husband, Lloyd, in 1945, she came to America. Wilma was the proud owner of the Darien Pet Shop for over 40 years and was fondly known as the “the Pet Shop lady.”

She was a devout Christian having served as Deaconess at Evangelical Community Church for many years. Wilma had a giving heart and lived by her faith in Christ.

She is survived by her daughter, Catherine Bendkowski, and husband Dan of Ansonia; and her grandchildren, Jeremy and Rachel, whom she cherished greatly.

She was predeceased by her husband, Lloyd, and daughter, Elizabeth Sanford.

— *an obituary from* [Edward Lawrence Funeral Home](#)

A memorial service in celebration of Wilma’s life will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 27, at Evangelical Community Church, 1155 Newfield Ave., Stamford.

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In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to P.A.W.S. [[Pet Animal Welfare Society](#)], 504 Main Ave., Norwalk, CT 06851.