

# Obituary: Jeanne Marie Taylor (Sylvestro), 95

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Born in Worcester, Mass. in 1924, Jeanne Marie Taylor (Sylvestro) grew into a woman who gave to those she met the love she was denied in childhood. She graduated from Commerce High School and married Staff Sargent Anthony Paul Sylvestro in 1947 when he returned from service in Italy during WW II.

They raised two sons, Stephen A. Sylvestro, and David P. Sylvestro (of Easton, Conn.) in Worcester where Jeanne was president of the Thorndyke Road School PTA and active in St. Joan of Arc Church.

Of keen intelligence herself, Jeanne valued education and went to work as a bookkeeper for J. P. Brown in order to send her sons to Assumption Prep and Trinity College in Hartford, Conn. In 1991, she moved to Connecticut and became a nanny.

“Ma” to her kids’ friends, she was kind, welcoming, and generous with hugs. She loved animals and cherished her succession of dog and cat companions. In her later years, she was a prized member of the Sullivan McKinney Eldercare community in Fairfield, Conn.

Predeceased by her former husband, she slipped from this world a week before her son Stephen, ready to greet rather than grieve him. She will be sorely missed by her son David, daughters-in-law Debby and Lea, grandchildren Tucker, Casey, Trevor, and Christopher, grand-daughters-in-law Lisa Meckley and Lisa Sylvestro, grandson-in-law PJ West, and great-grandchildren, Ava, Taylor, Paul, Lexi, and Eleanor.