



Helen Betty Witkowski

November 29, 1931 - January 26, 2025

Helen Betty Witkowski, age 93, of Saline, Michigan passed away peacefully on Sunday, January 26, 2025 surrounded by her family. Helen was born November 29, 1931 to the late Pasqua and Mattia Mucciante. On May 25th, 1957 she married the late Charles R. Witkowski.

Helen is survived by her four children, Mark Witkowski (Nancy), Linda Smigulec (Mike), David Witkowski (Khushboo), Mary Caye Spieth (John), and six grandchildren, Melissa, Michael, Lauren, Steven, Gianna and Milo. Helen was preceded in death by her daughter Marie Witkowski and her siblings Maria, Lawrence, Anthony, Albert and Elio. She is survived by her sister, Ida Mucciante.

Helen was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother, an accomplished violinist in the Detroit all girls orchestra, and a retired professional cook at The Henry Ford (Greenfield Village). She found much happiness in spending time with family, especially her grand children. She loved to crochet and was passionate about making quilts, which were award winners in the Saline Fair. Cooking and gathering with family was her greatest joy.

Helen, our beloved mother, sister, friend, embodied grace, strength, gratitude, acceptance and most of all love. She is our North Star, guiding us and shining brightly forever and always. Her presence on this earth and in our lives was a gift. She is at peace and resting in Gods hands.

Friends may join the family for a time of visitation on Monday, February 3, 2025, from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. at St. Andrew Catholic Church in Saline. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 A.M. with Fr. John Linden as Celebrant. Burial will immediately follow at St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights, MI. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Helen's name may be made to St. Andrew Catholic Church or The Humane Society of Huron Valley. Envelopes will be available at the Church. To share a favorite memory you have of Helen, to sign her guestbook, or for directions, please visit www.rbfhsaline.com.

The service will be livestreamed and can be viewed by visiting https://www.youtube.com/live/__CJvj23_GE

The following is a backup link, in case the one above fails <https://youtube.com/live/3rXCA SQCkO4?feature=share>

Cemetery Details

St. Hedwig Cemetery

23755 Military Road
Dearborn Heights, MI 48127
<http://www.sthedwigcemetery.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 3. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church
910 Austin Dr
Saline, MI 48176-1157
(734) 429-5210

Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 3. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Committal Service

FEB 3. 12:30 PM (ET)

St. Hedwig Cemetery
23755 Military Rd
Dearborn Heights, MI 48127

Tribute Wall



“ Robison-Bahn Miller Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a The livestream of the service will start at apx. 10:20 A.M. in memory of Helen Betty Witkowski



Robison-Bahn Miller Funeral Home & Cremation Services - January 31, 2025 at 10:59 AM

CB

Helen was a wonderful presence in our lives when my son Oscar and Milo were little and she would watch them play tennis, swim in the pool & play whatever it was. She was a wonderful mother and grandmother and friend to all. I am so grateful to have known Helen and have memories of her from those times!

Carrie Bake-Wong - February 20, 2025 at 09:05 AM

NS

“ Helen was my sweet neighbor and friend. I will treasure memories of time spent laughing with her at the Maple Village pool when Milo and my son Gavin were little, of her huge comforting trays of mac & cheese, and of her extra special bond with her kitties. She loved her family so very much and I know her sunlight will shine on through all of you. Always the best listener, always so kind, and always finding something to laugh about, after any conversation with Helen, she left me feeling better, lighter, and simply more joyful. What a special lady. Hugs and love to all her family and friends.
We love and miss you, Helen.
Your friends, Nicki & Gavin Sykes

Nicki Sykes - February 17, 2025 at 02:19 PM

NM

“ Visiting with your mom, especially when she was excited to go out on the pontoon, was such a joy. She always had a smile and was happy to visit for a bit.

Nikki Mencer-Klonaris - February 03, 2025 at 12:08 AM

SM

“ I met Helen at Woodland Meadows Elementary School when she came to help in the cafeteria. She was such a great help and the children loved her. The staff did too. She never shared anything about her life before retirement, but she always wanted to know about us and our families. It was such a pleasure to see her at St. Andrew's and catch up on life. She was such a beautiful, humble any loving women. I am so blessed to have known her. "Eternal rest grant unto Helen, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace."

Sue Mulka - February 02, 2025 at 09:19 PM

DR

“ I remember Auntie Helen as a role model growing up. She was always so happy and compassionate to her family and others. I won't forget all the family dinners and her homemade Angel wings and pierogi. Dwayne and Debra will miss her very much.

Debra M Rice - January 31, 2025 at 09:16 PM

WD

“ I will always remember and cherish the conversations and the cookies she shared with me. I will miss you my friend. Rest in peace.

William August Dechert - January 30, 2025 at 07:05 PM

RR

“ I have only happy memories of Aunt Helen and our time together. Her love, laughter and spirit will forever be a part of me.
Now walk with God on the path he has planned for us...Rosemary Rodak

Rosemary Rodak - January 30, 2025 at 04:23 PM

TM

“Helen, Sue, Sherri, and I worked and retired at The Henry Ford. I've known, Helen for 35 years. Sue and Sherri known , Helen for 40 years. The four of us were close. We engaged in lunch, monthly for years.

After lunch, we would return to, Helen's Condo. Helen would say goodbye with a touch on your hand, shoulder, or a hug. Sue made it a point to get out of the car to give, Helen a long embrace. Sherri and I would sit there wondering, will we be home before dark, lol ?

We would tease, Helen with love. We would ask her if she had any additional dents on her car. She would giggle and say, no. We knew she didn't. It was always the same dent. It was all good.

Helen spoke so highly of her children and grandchildren. Her family also kept close contact with her. Over the years, we heard her grandchildren growing up. That was her world, her family. There's so many wonderful stories to tell. So many memories.

There's friends and there's acquaintances. If you can meet a true freind, you struck gold, and we struck gold with, Helen. Helen was a wonderful person, a saint. We will greatly miss, Helen. We loved her.

Teri

Teri Mclellan - January 29, 2025 at 08:24 PM

ME

“I enjoyed Helen's company so very much. She was always smiling and always so positive. She talked so much about her family, her children and even more about her grandchildren. She would always say, "If I talk too much, you just tell me to be quiet." My reply every time was the same, "I will never tell you to be quiet, I love it!" She was a ray of light each time I got to spend with her. I had the pleasure of being her hairdresser since September of 2020. May she continue her sweet and caring life with God in Heaven. My prayers are for her family as they celebrate her life here on earth. She will be greatly missed. Much love from my family to yours, Maria Edwards

Maria Edwards - January 29, 2025 at 08:01 AM

LM

*I was Helen's neighbor living opposite in our little condos in Saline for about 12 years. She was the most 'giggly' and precious little lady I have ever known. She always had time for hugs and a chat plus I could tell if she was busy in her kitchen or still in bed by the lights that were on!
My daughter Nicki, who also lives nearby, would sometimes feed her beloved cats and was always in awe of how tidy & organized she was!
I can't believe what a history with stories to tell that she had. I shall sadly miss seeing her and her aura of cheerfulness.
My sincerest condolences to all her family - she leaves such a large hole for such a tiny person ♡
With love from
Lynn Marshall*

Lynn Marshall - February 03, 2025 at 09:02 AM

SK

“ *A very pleasant lady. I didn't know her personally but would see her every year when she entered her quilts in the Saline Fair. We will miss her.*

Shirley Kruger - January 28, 2025 at 12:47 PM

SS

Such a great lady. We will sure miss her at our Monday coffee's at Tim Hortons.

Suzie Stalker - January 28, 2025 at 03:24 PM

EH

Aunt Helen is an angel and we forever have her in our hearts! Such a beautiful kind person ! Eternal rest sweet Aunt Helen be granted by our Lord to you 🙏❤️

Emily Harrison - January 28, 2025 at 09:36 PM



I was blessed to have Helen live across from me for many years. We all adored her in the neighborhood. I admired how caring she was and how she loved to do things for her family. Working on quilts, making soup, or baking cookies, she was always doing for others. I had a habit of looking out my window to see if I could help her carry something in or out because she was always on the move. She was a shining star who spread love to everyone in the village. I always looked forward to our chats! Prayers go out to her wonderful family as they celebrate her and miss her.

Much love, Stacy Fletcher

Stacy Fletcher - January 29, 2025 at 12:12 PM

IM

My sister, Helen, was a ray of sunshine - always looking on the bright side. She was my confident - always willing to listen. She was fun to be around because of her positive state of mind.

She was so proud of her children and grandchildren and always made mention of them during our many conversations. Her talent for quilting and crocheting were outstanding and brought many hours of enjoyment to her and the many people who are recipients of her work.

She produced the very best Thanksgiving Days with excellent preparation - the very best! It was always a pleasure to be seated at her table.

She was good to me and brought many delicious dishes for my enjoyment. We talked once or twice a week to keep an eye on each other.

Helen, I miss you so very much.

*May you now enjoy the many blessings of heaven.
Rest in peace, my beloved sister*

Ida D. Mucciante - January 30, 2025 at 04:48 PM