



Helene Ellis Wilson

February 1, 1946 - September 10, 2024

Helene Ellis Wilson of Saline, MI, passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on September 10, 2024, at the age of 78. Helene was born on February 1, 1946, in Providence, RI to the late William & Mary Ellis. She grew up in Edgewood, RI and lived a life full of warmth, generosity, and unwavering loyalty to those she loved.

Helene is survived by her devoted husband of 55 years, Frank Wilson, who stood by her side through every season of life. Together, they built a beautiful family, raising four wonderful children, Brian (Jaymi) Wilson, Cathy (Frank) Toth, Kevin (Jennifer) Wilson and Michael (Melanie) Wilson. Helene was also a proud grandmother to her ten cherished grandchildren, Veronica, William, Korinne, Monica, Bianca, Molly, Kevin, Bella, Molly, Mae & Zander, each of whom brought her immense joy.

Helene is also survived by her three loving sisters, Pauline (Carl) Capobianco, Jeanne (James)

O'Leary and Kathleen (David Pearson) Ellis with whom she shared a lifelong bond of friendship, laughter, and memories.

Helene cherished her time at her summer home in Narragansett, RI, where she spent countless summer days sunning on the beach with family and friends. She often reminisced about her childhood spent racing sailboats in the bay, a pastime that brought her great joy that she continued with her family. Helene and Frank raised their children in Saline, creating a loving home filled with memories. Helene was known for hosting big holiday gatherings, where her famous desserts and Hallmark gifts were the highlight of every celebration. Her love for creating special moments will live on through her family.

Helene was immensely proud of her career as a physical therapist, spending many years early in her career caring for patients at Saline Community Hospital. She later found great joy and fulfillment working with children with physical disabilities in the Wayne-Westland School District, where she made a lasting impact until her retirement. Her dedication to helping others live fuller lives was a testament to her character.

The family invites all who knew and loved her to a visitation at Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home on Tuesday, September 17th from 4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. On

Wednesday, September 18th, at 11:00 A.M., a Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church in Saline. Father John Linden will preside as Celebrant. In accordance with Helene's wishes, cremation will follow, and her ashes will be placed in the St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church Columbarium.

The Mass will be live streamed and can be viewed by visiting <https://youtube.com/live/uyld7fn6bNo?feature=share>

In lieu of flowers, please make contributions to the Wheelchairs 4 Kids (<https://www.wheelchairs4kids.org>) in Helene's memory.

To share a favorite memory of Helene, to sign her guestbook, or for directions, please visit www.rbfhsaline.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church Columbarium

910 Austin Road
Saline, MI 48176

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 17. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home & Cremation Services
301 E Michigan Ave
Saline, MI 48176
(734) 429-9760
rbfhsaline@hotmail.com
<https://www.rbfhsaline.com>

Mass of Christian Burial

SEP 18. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall



“ Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a
The livestream of the service will start at apx. 10:45 A.M. in memory
of Helene Ellis Wilson



Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home & Cremation Services - September 16, 2024
at 02:16 PM

SO

“ Live would only have been half-lived without Westmoreland
sleepovers! Where else could we have learned how to play Hi-Lo
Jack and Poker, have Stratego and boogie board tournaments and
eat shark. We all are extremely fortunate to have all the
Wilsons...with Frank and Helene spearheading the fun!

Sean O'Leary - September 18, 2024 at 11:00 AM

CT

Thank you for your memories! It was great fun spending our summers
in Narragansett!

Cathy Toth - September 21, 2024 at 07:02 PM

JM

“ Helene was a lovely and gentle person, one who will be missed.
Condolences to her family and friends.

John Austin Murphy - September 17, 2024 at 09:33 PM

CT

Thank you so much for your kind words.

Cathy Toth - September 21, 2024 at 07:03 PM

LF

“ *Helene was a delightful, lady and a consummate professional. It was a privilege to have her as a PT colleague at WWCSO. I know she will be sorely missed. Please know of my thoughts and prayers for your family during this difficult time of loss. Lucy French.*

Lucy Niemann French - September 14, 2024 at 12:40 PM

CT

Thank you for your kind words!

Cathy Toth - September 21, 2024 at 07:04 PM

BT

“ *I loved spending summers at the beach in RI, but what made them even more special and fun was the day Aunt Helene, Uncle Frank and my 4 crazy cousins from Michigan came to Narragansett after their very long drive. I always wondered how my Aunt drove that long without stopping. I enjoyed and looked forward to spending time with and talking with Aunt Helene who showed a genuine interest in my life and always had good advice to share. She made me laugh and made sure to take the time to spend with me. I watched Helene and my mother spend time with each other during the summer months. I could see despite the hundreds of miles that separated them for 10 months of the year they had a special relationship of love, respect and admiration. Their strong relationship and sister bond taught me the value of family and sibling love. Helene was a wonderful mother; she tried to be tough, but would look at me and laugh when reprimanding the boys. Helene and Frank brought the fun, love and laughs to Narragansett, RI!*

Beth Tally - September 13, 2024 at 05:31 PM

CT

Thank you for your wonderful story about my mom and our family! We all have amazing memories of being with our cousins. So much so that we take our children there to relive our as children and share it with our children.

cathy toth - September 14, 2024 at 08:08 AM

IT

My grandma Helene Wilson was the best grandma a kid could ever ask for she was loving caring and funny. Always tried to be in control and it was funny to watch her argue with Papa about random things. I will miss her so much but when I think of her I will remember all the hilarious things that she did from the stories my family told me and the stories I got to witness.

Isabella Toth - September 19, 2024 at 11:38 AM

LF

“ Lots of love from your Schweitzer family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Helene Ellis Wilson.



Lots of love from your Schweitzer family - September 13, 2024 at 07:35 AM