



Helen Esther Arnold

May 8, 1921 - January 2, 2018

Helen Esther Arnold, age 96, of Rensselaer passed away on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 at the Rensselaer Care Center. Helen was born on May 8, 1921, in Remington, Indiana, the daughter of Frank and Anna (Ferrel) Shide. She was a lifetime area resident and attended school in Rensselaer.

On October 22, 1939, in Morocco, Indiana Helen and Eugene O. Arnold were married. Eugene passed away on September 25, 2002.

Helen retired from the optometrist office Dr. Mackey after being his office assistant for 19 years. She formerly had worked at the Lashbrook Dress Shop in Rensselaer and the North Newton School.

Helen was a member of the St. Augustine Catholic Church in Rensselaer. She enjoyed traveling, gardening, bird watching and being a 50-year member of Card Club. Helen cherished her time spent with her family, most of all time spent with her grandchildren.

Surviving are her loving children, Karen Molter of Montmorenci, Indiana, David (Pat) Arnold of Morocco, Indiana and Ruth Ann (Dave) Anderson of Burnettsville, Indiana along with eleven grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren, 16 great-great grandchildren and two great-great-great grandchildren, her sister Louise Shide of Rensselaer and sisters-in-law Helen Shide and Nellie Shide both of Rensselaer and Ema Shide of Goodland, Indiana. Helen was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Eugene, three sisters, Margaret Goad, Francis Bufkin and Mary Goad, and three brothers, George, Fred and John Shide.

Friends will be received at the Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer on Saturday, January 6, 2018 from 9:00-10:30 a.m. Funeral Mass will be held at the St. Augustine Catholic Church in Rensselaer on Saturday, January 6, 2018, at 11:00 a.m. with Father Dennis Faker officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Rensselaer. Memorials may be made to the St. Augustine Catholic School in Rensselaer.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Calvary Cemetery - Rensselaer

Mt. Calvary Cemetery
Rensselaer, IN 47978

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 6. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer
250 N. McKinley Avenue
P.O. Box 70
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5123
info@jacksonfuneral.com
<https://www.jacksonfuneral.com>

Funeral Mass

JAN 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Augustine Catholic Church
318 North McKinley Avenue
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5351
<https://stmichaelpastorate.org/>

Tribute Wall

CS

“ Sorry to hear of Helens passing. She was a great lady and we enjoyed talking with her. I know Mom and Dad loved her too!

Carol Gerline Studer

Carol Studer - January 09, 2018 at 09:41 AM

JL

“ Jim & Dorothy Lefler lit a candle in memory of Helen Esther Arnold



Jim & Dorothy Lefler - January 08, 2018 at 02:57 PM

DC

“ Helen was a very dear friend whom we loved so much. She is now with her beloved husband, Gene. May God grant peace to her soul and to all those she loved and left behind. Don & Jackie Corning

Don & Jackie Corning - January 05, 2018 at 07:28 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen Esther Arnold.



January 05, 2018 at 04:39 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Helen Esther Arnold.*



January 05, 2018 at 09:51 AM



“ *Judy Burvan lit a candle in memory of Helen Esther Arnold*



Judy Burvan - January 05, 2018 at 09:19 AM



“ *Our sincere sympathy to all of you.*



Don and Gloria Waymouth - January 04, 2018 at 05:05 PM



“ *deepest sympathy for your loss from paul bilyeu*

paul bilyeu - January 04, 2018 at 03:52 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen Esther Arnold.*



January 04, 2018 at 02:57 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of the loss of Helen! Loss of a mother, grandmother, aunt & sister. She was a dear person. Keeping all of you in my prayers!!! Gloria "Jeanie" Shuster*

Gloria Jean Shuster - January 04, 2018 at 12:55 PM



“ *Dave, sorry to hear of your mom's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you, Pat and the entire family at this time of sorrow.*

Sheryl Casey - January 04, 2018 at 12:09 PM



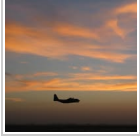
“ *Beautiful lady, always with a smile. So sorry for your loss.*

Gayla Warran - January 04, 2018 at 09:23 AM



“ *Aunt Helen was always good to me. When I was in college and dirt poor, she would always have a bag of vegetables from their garden and beef from their freezer for me to take back to school so I would have more than peanut butter and mac n cheese to eat.*

georgi shide - January 04, 2018 at 08:31 AM



“ I remember that Grandma always seemed to have snacks available for in grandkids, even when her and Grandpa were on vacation. My Brother and I would cut there grass when they were gone, but we always knew they would have something for us. I'll miss you Grandma.



Brian Arnold - January 04, 2018 at 06:56 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Helen Esther Arnold.



January 03, 2018 at 07:56 PM



“ Thinking of you and sending our sympathy. We will always remember the many family reunions of years past. What a good time we had. Howard and Jean Whaley

Howard and Jean Whaley - January 03, 2018 at 07:48 PM