



Helen Rae (Elliott) Kraud

April 5, 1926 - December 23, 2018

Helen Rae Elliott Kraud passed away on December 23, 2018 in San Antonio, Texas. She was born and raised in Mount Ayr, Indiana, the daughter of Harvey (Red) and Lucy (Brunton) Elliott.

Helen Rae was a graduate of Mount Ayr High School, class of 1944. Following high school, she moved to Chicago to join the staff of Illinois Bell Telephone Company where she rapidly rose to becoming their first female manager and the first female to wear pants. She was a lifetime member of the Mount Ayr Methodist Church and former member of the Curtis Creek Country Club. She and her husband enjoyed many years of travel and spent most winters in the Keys in Florida and summers in her beloved home town with family and friends.

Helen Rae was sensitive, interested in the world around her, and responded to the needs of others. She lived a long and prayerful life with good health and loving family and friends.

Helen Rae is survived by her brother Donald Elliott and wife Nancy of San Antonio, Texas and her nephew Barry Elliott and wife Cecilia and family from Hamden, Connecticut.

A very generous philanthropist, Helen Rae will be remembered for her spirited

conversations, excellent listening skills and warm smile for family, friends and strangers alike.

Services will be held on Friday, May 31, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. at the Mount Ayr United Methodist Church with Rev. Wayne Williams and Pastor Dennis Morros, Retired, officiating. Burial will follow at Riverside Cemetery in Brook, Indiana.

Memorials in loving memory of Helen may be made to The Jasper-Newton Foundation with Helen R. Kraud Mount Ayr Water Project on the memo line. Online memorials may be made at www.jaspernewtonfoundation.org

Jackson Funeral Chapel in Rensselaer is assisting the family with arrangements

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

2280 E. State Rd. 16
Brook, IN 47922