



## Helen L. Halsema

March 9, 1918 - July 25, 2010

Helen L. Halsema, age 92 of Rensselaer, passed away Sunday July 25, 2010 at the Rensselaer Care Center. Helen was born on March 9, 1918 in Winamac, Indiana, the daughter of Carl & Freda (Everett) Dickensheets, both deceased.

Helen graduated from Winamac High School and on April 14, 1940 in Lafayette, Ind., she married Lambert "Curly" Halsema, who died December 26, 2005.

After her marriage to Lambert, Helen worked as a secretary in a law office in Winamac and Rensselaer. In 1941, they moved to their family farm where she enjoyed raising chickens, growing vegetables and flowers of every kind. Helen & Lambert enjoyed fishing and spending time in the outdoors. Some of their fondest memories were spent in the great state of Alaska.

Helen is survived by several nieces & nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Lambert and 1 - brother and 1 - sister.

# Previous Events

## Service

JUL **28**. 10:30 AM.

Graveside

# Tribute Wall



“ It has been my blessing, pleasure, and inspiration to have spent so much time with Helen these past four years. We spent many hours together before she became so ill, we had trips to "Marty's" for frog legs, or her favorite walleye. We just drove around farms looking at crops, flowers and nature.

*Trips to the Dr., beauty shop, drugstore, grocery, shopping at Lafayette, or DeMotte. (She loved the steaks from "Yester Year").*

*This past two years has been more as a care giver for me (with love) she came to be so much like a Mother to me. I heard her tell many people I was like the Daughter she never had. I am so glad I had this time with Helen. she will and is so sadly missed.*

*To her family, what a beautiful Aunt you had, I am glad I got to meet and talk to each of you. Carol Stroud, my dear friend, you held such a special place in Helen's heart. Your devotion to her waws a blessing. We miss your Sunday calls. Dave, so glad you were there so many evenings, (she knew you were there).*

*Bill, bless you for your daily dedication, love and devotion to Helen. You're like a brother to her.*

*Glen and Duard, she looked forward to your nightly visits at the Care Center, she would just sit or lay and listen to you and Bill, talk of farming, world events, or just enjoying a ball game.*

*Donnie, Becky, Norma, what wonderful friends and (extended family) you all are. She so looked forward to your visits.*

*Jim, you were the Son they never had. She loved you so much. We will miss her so very much.*

*My life has been blessed just in knowing Helen, Love you, miss you...##imported-begin##Jean A. Belcher##imported-end##*

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July 30, 2010 at 09:27 AM



“ Jim, Jennie, Babbi and Mera  
Thinking of you. I'm glad I got to meet your Aunt Helen. Such a  
sweet Lady.  
love you, Theresa###imported-begin##Theresa Fischer##imported-  
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“ Helen will be missed by everyone who knew and loved her. Her  
father and my father were brothers. As my cousin, she has been my  
only living relative for many years. My husband and I travel from  
South Carolina to Indiana every September and always enjoyed  
visiting with Helen and Lambert over the years. She was a  
wonderful cook and the best "pie" baker ever. We will miss her  
presence.##imported-begin##Carolyn (Dickensheets)  
Craig##imported-end##

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July 26, 2010 at 10:39 AM



“ Helen was such a special person. She and Curly were wonderful  
giving people. They both made the best Christmas cake. She would  
put all ingredients in a bowl and he would mix it for her. God Bless  
them

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July 26, 2010 at 10:36 AM