



## Helen M. Schenk

December 21, 1922 - November 4, 2020

Helen M. Schenk, 97, of Evansville, passed away due to Covid-19 on Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at the Good Samaritan Home.

Helen was born December 21, 1922 in Evansville to the late Frank and Verona (Lamey) Bayer. Helen was a homemaker; helped her husband on the family farm and was a talented seamstress, making clothing to wear for the holidays. Having been born into a farming family, Helen was willing and able to help in repairing machinery and household items. She was a member of St. Philip Catholic Church; an avid gardener, who canned and froze much of her produce and clabber player. For over 20 years, on his wedding anniversary, Helen would give her son, Harold and his wife Claudia, twelve jars of homemade jelly. Each year, she planned a family vacation to sight see the country and visit family or friends. Having grown up in a family with 14 children, she knew how to stretch a Sunday dinner of roast beef and make it last all week. Helen made sure her family had all of the necessities of life, as well as most of their wants, by shopping smart and not being wasteful. She enjoyed hosting family gatherings at the farm and she always did all of the cooking. When her children were young, Helen made clothes for both her daughter and son. When the time came for her daughter, Jeanne to get married, Helen helped sew her wedding dress. Helen and her husband Victor enjoyed circle dancing and spent many Saturday nights dancing at the Owls and Haymakers. Helen also enjoyed her trips to town every Thursday when she would do her grocery shopping and visit with her sisters.

Surviving Helen are a daughter, Jeanne Schenk and son, Harold (Claudia) Schenk, both of Evansville; sisters, Dorothy Marshall, Katie Hirsch, Dolores Tucker, Anna Ritzert and Rose Ann (Bill) Barrow.

In addition to her parents, Helen was preceded in death by her husband of 64 years, Victor Schenk in 2012; by sisters, Bernice Huff, Mary Widick, Betty Jo Dossett and Rita Like and by brothers, Vincent, Edward, Raymond "Bud" and Robert Bayer.

Due to the pandemic, there will be no public visitation or funeral services. Entombment will take place in St. Joseph Mausoleum.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Vanderburgh County Humane Society, 400 Milner Industrial Drive, Evansville, IN 47710.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the entire staff of the Good Samaritan Home, especially Kelly, for their kind and compassionate care.

Condolences may be made online at [www.pierrefuneralhome.com](http://www.pierrefuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery

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## **St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery**

2500 Mesker Park Drive

Evansville, IN,

# Comments

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“ She was always happy. I knew all her sisters and brothers. Her sister Dolorse was married to my half brother. She loved her family and dancing. Helen and her husband followed my late husband around where ever they played. Jack Dills. He loved to see them have so much fun. I'm sorry for the loss but she is where no pain and suffering is now. God let her rest in peace. Susie Dills

**Sue Dills** - November 17, 2020 at 12:05 PM

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“ Sorry for your loss Harold and Jeannie. We have great memories going to the farm and spending time with you and your Mom and Dad. Once they were at Good Samaritan Home we spent a lot of quality time with them. Your mom was a hoot to visit, we always had a good laugh. I told her she was the healthiest person in here. She could take care of herself, put herself to bed and go anywhere with that walker. I always told her she would make 100 years old, but this Co-vid thing is so hard to control. She was happy at Good Samaritan they gave her everything she needed. I would visit her in the evening after supper and she always had the Big Bang Theory on the TV. She enjoyed watching Sheldon. She would always get tickled with him. She is now with Uncle Dick in heaven.

**Tom Schenk Sr.** - November 08, 2020 at 10:03 AM

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“ Sorry for your loss. I remember when your family came to visit our family (Aunt Katherine and Uncle Leo Petitjean). Always enjoyed being around your mom, she was such a happy person. My prayers and thoughts are with you at this difficult time. Mary Adams

**Mary Adams** - November 07, 2020 at 10:55 AM