



Helen L. Gilliatt Atwood

February 16, 1931 - February 26, 2019

Helen L. Gilliatt Atwood, 88, passed away February 26, 2019. She was born February 16, 1931 in Taswell, IN, to the late Fred and Ocie Gilliatt. The 4th of what would be 7 children, Helen learned about God, Jesus, hard work, family and love growing up on her family's farm.

After high school, Helen moved to the big city of Indianapolis, both for work and fun. One of her first jobs was a service staff position with Central State Hospital. She soon left for a more lucrative position at Western Electric. Helen was also employed with Kroger Supermarkets for 20 years, retiring in 1993. But her most valuable work came in the role of loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend. Fretful to almost a fault over her cherished children, she spent many hours, both in hospitals and at home, supporting and loving her kids.

Helen's biggest heartache in life came when her daughter, Dae Neane, died in an auto accident shortly after her 30th birthday. It is notable that Helen gave birth to Dae Neane right at home! They had a special bond.

She loved gardening and cooking, bowling and pinochle, pickling and puzzles. But she especially loved spending time with family and friends.

Visitation will be Monday, March 4, 2019, from 12 noon until the time of service at 2:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel, 9900 Allisonville Rd.

Helen is survived by her sons, Michael T. (Terry) and Damon G. (Melinda)

Atwood; grandchildren, Thea P. Atwood-Curtis (James), Dylan M. Atwood, D. Hunter Atwood, Emma Dae Atwood, Amanda Donahue (Brien) and Zachary Cloud; great-granddaughters, Claire Dae Donahue and Calliope Jane Atwood-Curtis; and sister, Lillie Mae Newton (Nova). A daughter, Dae Neane Cloud, preceded her in death. She was also preceded in death by three brothers (Nova, Orel and Gene), a sister (Claris Bowles), two husbands (Gib, Talmadge) and an infant brother (Carroll). Memorial contributions are suggested to Compassionate Friends Indianapolis Chapter.

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Memorial Gardens

9700 Allisonville Rd.
Indianapolis, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 4. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel
9900 N. Allisonville Road
Fishers, IN 46038
(317) 841-7878
info@shirleybrothers.com
<https://www.shirleybrothers.com>

Funeral Service

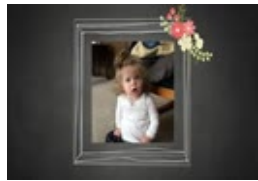
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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Shirley Brothers Mortuaries & Crematory - March 05, 2019 at 07:40 AM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of *Helen L. Gilliatt Atwood*.



March 04, 2019 at 08:32 AM



“ *Bernard W.* purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of *Helen L. Gilliatt Atwood*.



Bernard W. - March 03, 2019 at 12:06 PM

EB

“Helen was my cousin and one of my best friends. Our grandfathers were brothers and our parents were very close. We grew up in a community where everybody was related in some way. Fairview Church was the core of the area. We enjoyed lots of sleep-overs, playing softball or watching the men and boys play. We used to curl our hair using a curling iron heated over an oil burning lamp. Such pleasant memories of our younger years. She was a remarkable, resilient woman. I am so sorry I won't be able to attend her services. God's blessing on all of you. Rest peacefully, Dear Helen.
Erelene Gilliatt Brown

Erelene Brown - March 03, 2019 at 09:39 AM

SW

“Helen has been a neighbor for many years could always see her cutting her grass on her riding lawn mower and working in her flowers on sunny days. We lost a nice lady not to mention a good neighbor. Thoughts and prayers out to the entire family.



Shirley J Williams - March 02, 2019 at 06:20 PM

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“DiAnn & Jim Doanhue, Shannon & Ben Cox and family purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Helen L. Gilliatt Atwood.



DiAnn & Jim Doanhue, Shannon & Ben Cox and family -
March 01, 2019 at 05:13 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Helen L. Gilliatt Atwood.*



February 28, 2019 at 08:26 PM



“ *Our thoughts and Prayers are with you all in your time of loss.*

Jennifer Goodwin - February 28, 2019 at 06:43 PM



“ *Our sincerest condolences. Helen was an amazing lady and will be missed. We will keep the family in our thoughts and prayers.*

Tim and Susan Williams



Susan Williams - February 28, 2019 at 08:33 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen L. Gilliatt Atwood.*



February 27, 2019 at 06:21 PM