



Helen Irene Hallar

December 19, 1914 - October 23, 2017

Obituary for Helen Hallar:

Helen Collier Hallar died on October 23, 2017, at Holden Manor Care. Helen was born on December 19, 1914, in Latour, Missouri and was the only daughter of William and Goldess Collier.

Helen served as a high school mathematics teacher in Holden, Missouri from 1952 to 1984. Prior to her

long tenure in Holden, she taught in Latour and Camdenton. Helen was a graduate of Central Missouri

State Teachers College, now known as the University of Central Missouri. On August 7, 1942, she

received her Bachelor of Science in Education with a major in Mathematics. In addition, Helen spent

several summers attending graduate courses at the University of Missouri and the University of Arkansas.

Helen married Wendell T. Hallar on June 2, 1942, at the First Presbyterian Church in Warrensburg,

Missouri. They spent many hours traveling to the family farm to tend their livestock and take care of

, their garden. Helen and Wendell spent time with friends as regulars on the duplicate bridge circuit. They

were the parents of two children, a daughter Martha Ann and a son James William. Helen was preceded in death by her husband, Wendell, and one grandson, Mark Nelson. Helen is survived by her daughter Martha Hallar Nelson (Roger) and son James William Hallar (Susie), one grandson, Barry Nelson (Kristie), two granddaughters Gannet Hallar (Ian McCubbin), Brittan Hallar (Justin Trezza), and six great-grandchildren, Helen, Reagan, Ocean, Snow, Rio, and Cade. Helen was very proud of her children and grandchildren and followed their activities closely. Helen enjoyed gardening, especially taking care of her flowers and yard. She enjoyed looking out her back window at her flowers and the birds eating at the feeder. She very much liked reading books, usually the latest best seller. Even as her eyesight worsened, she kept reading by using a magnifying glass and enlarged print. Every day she would work the crossword puzzle printed in the Kansas City Star. Helen was especially proud of all the students she taught during her many years teaching mathematics. She really enjoyed it when her former students visited her after she was retired. At her 100th birthday party, she thanked the many friends who attended for her teaching experience and life in Holden. Helen was always planning for the future including birthday parties for her grandchildren, family celebrations, visits with family and friends, and trips to art galleries and cultural events. In her long life, she saw and experienced many things from traveling in an open air car with her parents, only heated by bricks to

seeing a NASA launch at Cape Canaveral. She would want everyone who loved and cared about her to continue to look forward to their future.

Memorial Contributions can be made to the Rose Hill Cemetery.

Visitation will be Saturday December 2, 2017 at 12:00pm followed by a Memorial service at 1:00pm at Ben Cast & Son-Wood Funeral Home, 407 South Pine, Holden MO.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 2. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home Inc. DBA:Campbell-Cast Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall

GC

“*Martha Ann and Jim Bill, I am so sorry to hear of your mom's death. I remember how she and Mrs. Hale took a group of us to eat lunch at Sturgis' café. Made us feel so special. More recently, I visited her in the nursing home and we reminisced about those days in junior high. Although Martha Ann was probably the smartest student in our algebra class, Mrs. Hallar worked hard at not favoring her. I treasure those days. I wish I could have been at the Memorial Service to offer my condolences in person.*”

Glenda Currie Chiles - December 02, 2017 at 10:07 PM

JC

“*Mrs. Hallar was one of my first teachers when our family moved to Holden. Math was my least favorite subject, but her teaching abilities provided the structure I needed to learn more.*”

Judy Cunningham - November 09, 2017 at 09:51 AM

JB

“*Mrs. Hallar was such a wonderful influence in so many lives! She gave me a genuine appreciation for algebra and trig. Her teaching the fundamentals of math helped me with my college education and career. She made this world a better place. Jan Burden, Class of 1974*”

Jan Burden - November 05, 2017 at 11:11 AM

KA

“*Mrs. Haller was one of the best teachers I ever had. Her love of math and ability to explain it led me to aa appreciation and love of higher math as well. My condolences to her family and friends. Katrina Gaffney, class of 1982*”

Katrina - November 05, 2017 at 08:57 AM

KM

“ *Mrs. Hallar was the teacher that influenced me the most. Her high standards, her love for her subject matter all carried over to my teaching years. My sincere condolences to her family and friends.*
~Krisan Mitchell, Class of 1981

Krisan Mitchell - November 05, 2017 at 08:23 AM

MF

“ *Milford and Kelly Cunningham and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Helen Irene Hallar.*



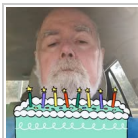
Milford and Kelly Cunningham and family - October 30, 2017 at 07:20 PM

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“ *RTeresa Anderson lit a candle in memory of Helen Irene Hallar*



rTeresa Anderson - October 24, 2017 at 11:16 AM



“ *Lynn Williams-Hufft lit a candle in memory of Helen Irene Hallar*



Lynn Williams-Hufft - October 23, 2017 at 02:48 PM