



Helen R. Grant

November 27, 1921 - November 27, 2020

Helen R. Grant, age 99 years, a former resident of Buncombe, Illinois, passed away Friday afternoon, November 27, 2020, at 5:27 PM at the Hillview Health Care Center in Vienna. She departed this life on her 99th birthday.

Helen was born November 27, 1921 in Massac County Illinois. She was the sixth of eleven children born to Charles and Lillian (Laird) Burnett.

Helen was united in marriage to Ogal Walker. He preceded her in death. She was later united in marriage to Irvin E. Grant on July 8, 1952 in Buncombe, Illinois. He preceded her in death on March 24, 2005.

Helen is survived by: her children – Vernon (Lee) Grant of Alabaster, Alabama, Ronald (Brenda) Walker of Pekin, Irvin Leon Grant of Buncombe, Marilyn (David) Walls of Carterville, James Grant of Buncombe, David (Paula) Grant of Buncombe; a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren; 3 sisters – Juanita Smithson of Fenton, Missouri, Rose Duncan of Tilden, and Lucille Doblebower of Bethalto; a daughter-in-law – Betty Walker of Bourbonnais; as well as nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and many dear friends.

In addition to her parents and husbands, Helen was preceded in death by: 3 sons – Paul Walker, Robert Walker, and Gerald W. “Jerry” Walker; 3 brothers

– Cletus, James, and David Burnett; and 4 sisters – Reba Warwick, Agnes Girtman, Evelyn Dillman and Hazel Melcher.

Helen had worked for a time as a cook at the Buncombe Grade School. She was also a devoted homemaker. Helen enjoyed cooking, sewing, reading, flower and vegetable gardening, and canning fresh produce raised in her garden. Helen especially cherished time spent with her family.

Helen was a longtime member of the Cedar Grove Church near Buncombe. In later years, she worshipped at the Pulley's Mill Pentecostal Church.

A graveside service honoring the life of Helen Grant will be held Thursday afternoon, December 3, 2020, at 2 PM at Busby Chapel Cemetery, 7715 State Route 37 North, Goreville, Illinois. Pastor Jerry Huckleberry will officiate. Interment will follow.

There will be no public visitation. Those attending the service are invited to gather at the cemetery at 1:45 PM Thursday.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1905.

Cemetery Details

Busby Chapel Cemetery

IL Route 37 South
Goreville, IL

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC 3. 2:00 PM (CT)

Busby Chapel Cemetery
IL Route 37 South
Goreville, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Helen R. Grant*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Helen R. Grant.*



December 02, 2020 at 02:13 AM



“ *Bobby Rentfro lit a candle in memory of Helen R. Grant*



Bobby Rentfro - December 01, 2020 at 06:06 AM



“ *John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of Helen R. Grant*



John Slack - November 30, 2020 at 06:40 PM



“ Jeannie McCall lit a candle in memory of Helen R. Grant



Jeannie McCall - November 30, 2020 at 01:34 PM

AK

“ Helen was like a second mom to me growing up. I have so many fond memories of visits on her front porch growing up. She loved Jesus and it showed so much in the love she showed for others. Helen was such a joyful person which caused people to want to be around her. Her laughter was infectious and she had an amazing sense of humor. In my life, I have never met a sweeter soul. I can only hope that I can give a few people a portion of the joy that she gave to others. I know that the Lord is saying "Well done my good and faithful servant."



My thoughts, prayers, and love are with you all!

She will be greatly missed!

Until we meet again my dear friend

Anita Kerley - November 30, 2020 at 12:59 PM

CK

“ RIP great grandma! Gone but never forgotten! Enjoy the streets of gold!!

caitlyn keith - November 30, 2020 at 12:57 PM

BW

“ *Bill And Barb Warmack lit a candle in memory of Helen R. Grant*



Bill and Barb Warmack - November 29, 2020 at 06:22 PM

PS

“ *Paula Sullivan lit a candle in memory of Helen R. Grant*



Paula Sullivan - November 28, 2020 at 11:47 PM

JK

“ *Grew up attending Cedar Grove Church with my grandma and Helen. She was Grandma Violets best friend and I know they are singing in glory today.*

Jamie Kerley - November 28, 2020 at 11:22 PM

RM

“ *Rich And Jeanne McKenzie lit a candle in memory of Helen R. Grant*



Rich and Jeanne McKenzie - November 28, 2020 at 08:18 PM

CT

“ *Carla Tapley lit a candle in memory of Helen R. Grant*



Carla Tapley - November 28, 2020 at 07:49 PM

SJ

“ *Steve And Darla Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of Helen R. Grant*



Steve and Darla Jones - November 28, 2020 at 06:48 PM

NB

“ *Nancy Breeden lit a candle in memory of Helen R. Grant*



Nancy Breeden - November 28, 2020 at 06:08 PM