



Helen Mae White

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Helen Mae Hartzell White was born in Allentown, Pennsylvania, in 1919 to Eugene and Alma Hartzell. She grew up in Roebing, New Jersey, where her father worked as a millwright for Roebing Steel. Although money was tight during the Depression, her father was fortunate to always have a few days of work each week. Many happy days were spent with her maternal grandparents, Peter and Clara Giehl, who had immigrated from Germany and operated a tourist lodging business in a nearby town.

After high school graduation Helen returned to Allentown to seek employment and met her husband, Thomas “Whitey” White, to whom she was married for thirty-three years. Their two children, Janet and Dennis, were raised in a firm and loving household, where achievements were fostered, and where laughter was a part of every day.

Helen worked outside the home while raising her children. After working for the McCrory company for a number of years she obtained an office position at Muhlenberg College, where she became the secretary to the Associate Dean of Students. At Muhlenberg she developed many friendships which continued even after she retired.

In retirement she enjoyed her card club and her handicrafts, but her greatest enjoyment came from time with her family and vacations they took together. She was also a lifetime member of Zion Reformed Church in Allentown and participated each year in the holiday bazaar. She was a devoted Nana to her grandson, Brendan. After more than fifty years in the family home in Allentown, Helen moved to Maryland where she made many friends, first as a resident of Victoria Park in Edgewater, and finally at Regency Park in Gambrills.

Helen was a loving and strong person. She tirelessly supported her family. She spoke her mind, and her advice was always worthwhile. Her spunky nature and sense of



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humor endeared her to those who knew her.
She is loved and missed.




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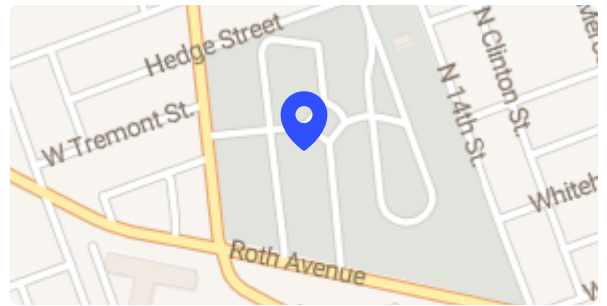
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Graveside Service

 **Monday**, February 5, 2018

 1:00 PM ET

 **Highland Park Cemetery**
1441 Roth Ave, Allentown PA 18102





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BR

Brandi posted:

I cared for Ms. Helen while she was at Regency! She had such a joyful soul! You will truly be missed Ms. Helen!!

March 5 at 11:40 AM

TR

Tracy Rivas posted:

I was a caregiver at Regency Park and I cared for Ms. Helen. When ever I would care for her or do something for her she would say "Danka" which means thank you in German. Ms. Helen, you will be truly missed. You were such a pleasant lady.

February 19 at 7:38 PM

GL

Geoffrey Lee posted:

Way to go Mrs. White, 98 years before you left us for a better home. You were one of the first few people I met when I arrived at Muhlenberg College in 1969 as a teenager foreign student. As a student, I always enjoyed working at the Dean of Students' office with you and Mrs. Snyder, learning and getting the advices from the both of you. After you left Allentown, I always looked forward to hear from you during the Christmas seasons. May you Rest In Peace till we meet again. Geoffrey Lee

February 7 at 9:23 AM

SB

Susan Beck lit a candle in honor of Helen .



February 4 at 12:06 PM

LB

Love, Don And Susan Beck sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the White family.



February 4 at 10:56 AM



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Anonymous sent a Pink Tribute Spray to the White family.



February 3 at 7:37 PM



Llibda Amshey posted:

Janet and Brendan, I am so sorry for your loss. I know that she was well loved and will be missed. All my love, Linda Amshey

February 2 at 7:44 PM



Tracy Kruk posted:

So sorry for your loss, Helen was such a lovely lady. She lived at Victoria Park at Edgewater for 9 years. She made lots of friendships and everyone she met adored her sunshine personality. She was always happy and seemed to enjoy every day! Please know my thoughts and prayers are with you, Sincerely, Tracy Kruk

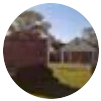
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Brendan Keith lit a candle in honor of Helen .



February 2 at 8:54 AM



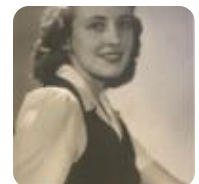
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February 1 at 2:19 AM



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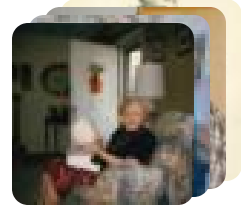
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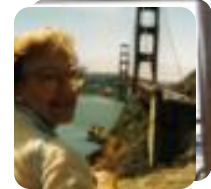
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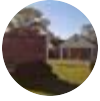
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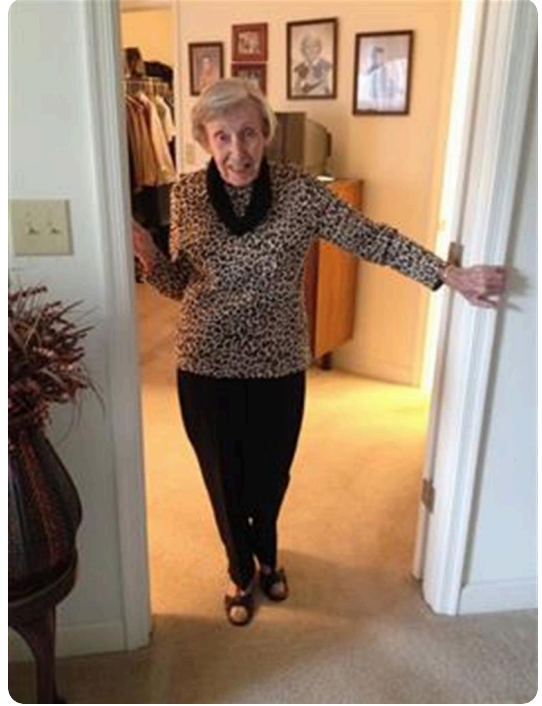
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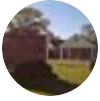
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January 29 at 10:27 AM



Dennis White January 31 at 11:40 AM

Helen with her husband "Whitey", daughter Janet and son Dennis. Around 1965





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DW Dennis White January 31 at 11:36 AM
Helen with her brother Bill, probably during WW II





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January 25 at 10:33 AM



Dennis White January 31 at 11:42 AM

Helen and daughter Janet (aka Thelma and Louise) on one of their many adventures



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Helen by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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