



Helen Marie Berger

January 17, 1933 - May 10, 2025

Helen (Weber) Berger (92) formally of North Minneapolis, MN, lived in Elk River, MN. Surrounded by her family she passed peacefully into Heaven to be with the Lord and Fred, on Saturday, May 10, 2025, at the Guardian Angles by the Lake, Assistant Living, in Elk River, MN.

Preceded in death by her Husband Fred Berger, Parents, Henry Weber Sr., Mother Margret Weber. Stepmother Margret Weber, Sister Margie Barkosky. Sister-in-Laws Helen Haerle, Eleanor Swanson and Brother-in Laws. Al Hearle and Jerry Swanson and her multiple furry dogs.

Survived by Son Mark (Evie) Berger and Daughter Linda (Kelly) Anderson. Granddaughters, Elizabeth Berger and Lydia Anderson. Brothers Allen Weber and Henry (Sheila) Weber. Brother-in Law Bruce Barkosky and her Nieces, Nephews, Cousins and many friends.

Helen was born in Minneapolis, MN on January 17, 1933. To Henry Weber and Margaret (Hasse) Weber. After her mom's passing when she was 2 ½, she and her father moved to Germany, until she was 5. To be raised by her mom's parents. They left, do the rise of Hitler. (while living in Germany she had to attend a parade that Hitler was in). By age 5 she had crossed the Atlantic Ocean twice by boat.

Once she arrived back in the United States they lived in Northeast Minneapolis, where her father married Marget Meyer. Then they moved to North Minneapolis, where Helen graduated from Patrick Henry High School, while in school she started working as a switchboard operator for AT&T and then with General Mills. During this time, she also attended Brown Institute to become a Flight Attendant. Yet, after she completed the schooling, found out she had to be 21 before she could work for the airline.

She married Fred Berger on June 4, 1955, and lived in a small apartment in northeast Minneapolis until they bought their first house in 1956, located in North Minneapolis. She quit working at General Mills when Mark was born in 1963 and was a stay home Mom until Linda was in 8th grade. She started working at the Camden Preschool, at Salem Lutheran Church and continued working after Fred passed in 2002. She retired after 30 years. After, she retired she volunteered reading books to the preschoolers at Earl Brown Elementary School. In 2018 she bought a townhouse, in Elk River and moved in 2021 to an Assisted living apartment at Guadian Angeles by the Lake, in Elk River.

Helen enjoyed 52 years at the lake place in Backus., MN. Many years going to Baraboo, Wi. with family for the Circus Museum opening. Fun trips with her son and daughter's families. A wonderful Alaskan cruise with good friends, Jack and Bev Berke. Numerous fantastic trips with her wonderful Sister-in-Law, Sheila Weber. To name a few, Florida, Hawaii and trip to Vegas where her sister-in-law Eleanor Swanson came along with them.

She also enjoyed spending time with her granddaughters. Taking them to Como Park Zoo and on the Jonathan Padde boat, ride on the Mississippi,

She loved eating radishes sandwiches, chocolate and blended strawberry margaritas. Like her none-acholic Bloody Mary's, because she loved the

goodies in them. She also liked to dip her pretzels in her grandpa's beer at Foresights bar, in Northeast Minneapolis, when she was a child and walked him home from the bar.

She is collecting many things. Hallmark houses, Dolls, Salt & Peper shakers and Circus memorabilia, to name just a few.

She enjoyed attending car shows, with her family, which included Back to the Fifties that she attended into her 80's. Member of the Chevy and GMC Truck Club of Minnesota.

Helen was adventurous, crossed the Atlantic Ocean twice, flew numerus times even over the ocean to Hawaii, even stood outside on her Alaska cruise during a storm, but would never get on Mark's motorcycles.

She was a kind and wonderful person. She was a beloved Wife, Mother, Grandmother, Sister, Aunt, Cousin and friend. Who will truly be missed.

Visitation

Sunday, May 18, 2025, Noon - 2:00pm

Washburn-McReavy

1827 Coon Rapids Blvd. NW

Coon Rapids, MN 55433

(763) 767-4361

www.washburn-mcreavy.com

Memorial Service

Monday, May 19, 2025

Faith Lutheran Church

11115 Hanson Blvd. NW
Coon Rapids, MN 55433
(763) 755-3530

Visitation from 10:00am - 11:00am
Service from 11:00am - 12:00pm
Luncheon from 12:00pm - 1:30pm

Graveside Service - at 2:15pm - leaving church at 1:30pm (no procession) -
for those who want to attend, please meet at:

Acacia Park Cemetery
2151 Pilot Knob Rd.
Mendota Heights, MN 55120
(651) 452-1555

Cemetery Details

Acacia Park Cemetery

2151 Pilot Knob Road
Mendota Heights, MN 55120

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 18. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Coon Rapids Chapel
1827 Coon Rapids Blvd.
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Visitation

MAY 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Faith Lutheran Church - Coon Rapids
11115 Hanson Blvd. NW
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Funeral Service

MAY 19. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Faith Lutheran Church - Coon Rapids
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Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Graveside Service

MAY 19. 2:15 PM - 2:45 PM (CT)

Acacia Park Cemetery
2151 Pilot Knob Road
Mendota Heights, MN 55120

Tribute Wall

DA

“ I was truly blessed to have been a friend of Helen's, as was my husband. We both loved her dearly! She will truly be missed!!

Dorothy Arness - May 17, 2025 at 02:01 PM

SC

“ Sharon Hughes & Jerry Conroy purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Helen Marie Berger.



Sharon Hughes & Jerry Conroy - May 15, 2025 at 01:36 PM

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“ Sharon Hughes & Jerry Conroy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Helen Marie Berger.

Sharon Hughes & Jerry Conroy - May 15, 2025 at 01:36 PM

BP

“ Every once in awhile, one is fortunate enough to meet exceptional people, Helen was that person. Helen was a fighter, someone that loved her family and was so grateful for all she had, Helen was able to see the good in others and to me was always cheerful. Thank You for the memories Helen and I will make a radish sandwich in your honor, you will be missed

Bruce Plowman - May 14, 2025 at 11:46 PM

CR

“ So very sorry for your loss. Thinking of you and your family as you celebrate the life of your Mom.
Dave and Cheryl Rosty

Cheryl M Rosty - May 13, 2025 at 03:26 PM

WS

“ With deepest Sympathy, United Bus Sales purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Helen Marie Berger.



With deepest Sympathy, United Bus Sales - May 13, 2025 at 12:15 PM