



## Helen E. Kosiak

May 14, 2017

Kosiak, Helen E. (Rantala) age 92, of St. Anthony Village, passed away peacefully amongst family on May 14, 2017. Preceded in death by husband Dr. Michael Kosiak, parents Anton and Esther Rantala, sister Mayme Dobrovolc, and great-grandson, Amos Bennett. She will be deeply missed by son, Michael (Lisa); son, Dr. John (Rhonda); daughter, Connie (John) Rymarchick; son, Jim (Renee); Grandchildren, Kristine (Paul) Larson, Julie (Sam) Arneson, Josh (Jessica) Bennett, Megan Braun, Michael, Cortney, James, Elly, Carlye and Tommy; and 8 great-grandchildren.

Born and raised in Stevenson Location, Minnesota, Helen was a 1942 graduate of Hibbing High School. Helen graduated from Duluth State Teachers College in 1944. After graduation Helen taught elementary education in Coleraine, Minnesota, and at Lee Avenue School in Robbinsdale, Minnesota. Helen met the love of her life Dr. Michael Kosiak on VJ day, upon his return from the service, at a dance in Chisholm, Minnesota. They were married on July 24th 1948, and were married for over 64 years.

Helen lived in St. Anthony Village for over 50 years and was an active member within the community, and at Nativity Lutheran Church. Devoted wife, mother, grandma, and great-grandma. She loved to travel the world with her husband, children, and friends. She never lost her love for the Range, and traveled to Stevenson, Hibbing, and Chisholm, on a regular basis for most of

her life. Helen was fluent in Finnish, and acted as an interpreter on many occasions. Holidays were everything to Helen. Her attention to detail will always be remembered.

Funeral service Friday, May 26, 12:00 noon at Nativity Lutheran Church, 3312 Silver Lake Rd., St. Anthony, with visitation one hour before service. Interment Sunset Memorial Park. Memorials preferred to Nativity Lutheran Church.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery

2250 St Anthony Boulevard NE  
Minneapolis, MN 55418

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 26. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Nativity Lutheran Church  
3312 Silver Lake Road Northeast  
Minneapolis, MN 55418

## Funeral Service

MAY 26. 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Helen (Miss Rantala) was my 1st & 2nd grade teacher in the small two room school in the community of LaPrairie (Coleraine Dist.) She was a wonderful teacher who made a major impression on all of us. She was beautiful, kind, and motherly to everyone. One of a kind! I am sure the small community of La Prairie will never forget her. Prayers to you all.*

*Sincerely, Janet Sisler Eckmann*

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**Janet Sisler Eckmann** - May 23, 2017 at 09:38 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Helen E. Kosiak.*



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May 22, 2017 at 12:28 PM



“ *Beautiful Whisper was purchased for the family of Helen E. Kosiak.*



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May 19, 2017 at 05:24 PM