



## Helen Rydland

March 5, 2009

Rydland, Helen Marie Joined her beloved husband of 49 years, (Arne) on March 1, 2009 at 87 years of age. She will be lovingly remembered by her nine children, Robert & Roxanne Rydland, Jayne & Gary Radel, Kathryn & David Gilbertson, A. Daniel & Nancy Rydland, David Rydland & Pam Bray, Karen & Roger Olson, Richard & Valerie Rydland, Judy and Bob Fleming, & Nancy Rydland. Helen will be greatly missed by her 20 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. Helen was born in Crookston, MN, on December 16, 1921 to Emma and Arno Foker. She was a caring sister to Dorothy Montague and Bud Foker. She attended St. Olaf College and then graduated from the Univ. of Minn with a degree in Elementary Education. Helen was married to Arne in 1945. In addition to being a devoted wife, mother and grandmother, Helen loved spending time at Cass Lake, MN, enjoying sunsets, evening boat rides and morning walks along Strawberry Point Road. She was an active member of Mount Olivet Lutheran Church and Esther Circle. Helen loved to travel and especially looked forward to her time spent in Gulf Shores, AL. Most of all, she loved surrounding herself with her family. Memorial service Friday, March 6, 2009, at 12:00 pm., Mount Olivet Lutheran Church, 50th & Knox Ave. S. Minneapolis. Private Interment Lakewood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred to Cathedral Of the Pines or Mount Olivet Careview Home. You were the most wonderful Mom. We were all so lucky to have you near us. Together we say, "I Love you Mom." And we know you will respond, "I Love You Too." Washburn-McReavy 952-920-3996



# Tribute Wall

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“ To all my Rydland cousins, I am so sorry on the loss of your mother. Aunt Helen and Uncle Arne were my god parents and I still think of all of you often. I remember times spent at your house and having fun with all the Aunts and Uncles and Grandma Rydland. Our prayers and thoughts stay with you and my family wish you peace, blessing and happy memories of your parents. Love, Patty Eastman Duncan

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*Patty and Al Duncan (Eastman),*

*Lititz, Pennsylvania*

*Contact Me*

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**Patty and Al Duncan (Eastman)** - January 16, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ *Karen, Dave and family, My thoughts and prayers are with you on the loss of your mother.*

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*Susan Pihl-Niederman,*

*Medina, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Susan Pihl-Niederman** - March 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Dear Rydland family, I extend my deepest sympathy on the loss of your dear mother. I will always remember Helen as a kind, loving, truly joyful woman. As a child, she made me feel so welcome in your home. Helen was a person who knew what was important in life - family. Her children are a testimony to what a wonderful mother she was. My mother always said that regardless of how many years separated Helen and her, a warm friendship was instantly rekindled when they reunited. I can't help but smile when I think that they are again rekindling an eternal friendship. You are lovingly in my thoughts and prayers.

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*Mary Gieselman Ritchie,*

*Tulsa, Oklahoma*

*Contact Me*

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**Mary Gieselman Ritchie** - March 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Nancy & family, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your mom. My prayers and thoughts are with you all. I have fond memories of your mom and hanging out at your house back in high school. I hope your memories will aid in comforting you during this difficult time. Love, Carolyn Peterson*

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March 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Dear Helen, I want to thank you for the wonderful times we spent together with Judy, Nancy and the Gustie roommates. I can still remember the warmth and love I felt each time I stepped into your home in Golden Valley. You and Arne are now wrapped in that love that you created here on earth and are watching hand in hand over the wonderful legacy you have left us in your children and their families. You both must be so proud. Thank you for touching my life. I will miss you.

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Cathy Conto,

Charlotte, North Carolina

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**Cathy Conto** - March 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *Rydland Family, Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.*

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*Jeanne Gieselman Fox,*

*Dallas, Texas*

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**Jeanne Gieselman Fox** - March 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ To all the Rydlands, Please accept my deepest sympathy on the loss of your beloved mother. Throughout my childhood and teen years, Helen was like a second mother to me. I greatly loved and admired her. Though we moved away when I was just 18, my happiest memories are of the wonderful family that lived next door and the beautiful mother that was always kind, caring, compassionate and fun! She raised nine fantastic children and has now gone to her heavenly reward to be with her beloved husband. She will never be forgotten. God bless you all. With deepest sympathy,

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*Catherine Gieselman Bowers,*

*Belleville, Illinois*

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**Catherine Gieselman Bowers** - March 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ To all of Helen’s children, I am thinking of you at this sad time and remembering your Mom as a loving parent who attended parent conferences at Neill School where several of you were in my fifth grade class. To me she was an ideal parent who understood her children and wanted the best for them always. With sympathy and warm regards,

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*Marion Helland,*

*Golden Valley, Minnesota*

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**Marion Helland** - March 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ *Nancy and Family, Nina and I were so sad to hear about your Mom. We know how much you all loved her and that you all will miss her greatly. Please accept our sincerest condolences and know that we are thinking of you all. We are so sorry that we will not be able to join you at the memorial. Love, Paul Hess & Nina Kopach*

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*Paul Hess,*

*Woodbury, Minnesota*

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**Paul Hess** - March 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KO

“ Judy and family, So sorry to hear about your Mom, she was an incredible women and I know how much you will miss her.

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*Kathy Coad O'Brien,*

*Bismarck, North Dakota*

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**Kathy Coad O'Brien** - March 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ To all of Helen's children, Helen was an angel on Earth. I loved her very much and my heart aches for all of you. Arne and Helen are together again. what a comforting thought. I wish I could be there to help celebrate her life. I recently had surgery and am not fully recoved yet. My children will represent me. Love you to all from,Aunt Val

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March 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM