



Helen Mae Carter Kemp

June 19, 1946 - September 20, 2023

Helen Mae Carter Kemp, 77, of Shacklefords, VA passed away September 20, 2023. She was a longtime member of Poroporone Batist Church and a church organist for many years. Helen Mae dearly loved her family and was tickled to be “GaGa” to her three beloved grandchildren, of whom she was especially proud. She had been an animal lover her entire life, always having pets of some sort nearby to enjoy.

Helen Mae was preceded in death by her husband of 35 years, Robert “Bobby” Kemp; her parents, Alfred and Vernelle Carter; and her brother, Arthur Lewis Carter. She is survived by her beloved daughter, Bobbie Jo Jones; granddaughter, Carter Jones; and grandsons, Kemp and Baylor Jones; as well as a brother, Brent Carter.

Special thanks are extended to her caregivers, Caryn Gallihugh and Loreen Townsend, for the exceptional care they provided Helen Mae.

The family will receive friends 5 to 7 PM, Sunday, September 24th at Vincent Funeral Home, 417 11th St., West Point, VA. A graveside service will be held 2 PM, Monday at Olivet Baptist Church Cemetery, 25375 The Trail Mattaponi, VA 23110. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Indian Rivers Humane Society, PO Box 264, Aylett, VA 23009.

Cemetery Details

Olivet Baptist Church Cemetery

25338 The Trail
Mattaponi, VA 23110

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 24. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Vincent Funeral Home, West Point Chapel
417 11th St
West Point, VA 23181
(804) 843-2550

Graveside Service

SEP 25. 2:00 PM (ET)

Olivet Baptist Church Cemetery
25338 The Trail
Mattaponi, VA 23110

Tribute Wall

MB

“ Our deepest sympathy goes to the family of Helen Mae, she was a wonderful Mother, Grandmother, and Friend who will be missed forever. May the Lord Bless the family and may she rest in peace.

Ron Boxom and Mo Bloxom

Mo Bloxom - September 29, 2023 at 12:59 PM

JC

“ I am so saddened to hear of Helen Mae's passing. We both attended Pleasant Hill High School. She had such a good personality and enthusiasm for life. She was involved in many school activities; softball, basketball, Choral Club pianist, Dramatics Club, etc., etc. I got to know her when we were on the Cheerleaders Squad. These were just the activities that she was involved in when I graduated in '61, when she was just a rising Sophomore. We reconnected years later when we were planning the 50th Anniversary of PHHS. Years had gone by but I found her to be the same likable, outgoing person that she was so many years earlier. I know that she had suffered some heartaches in life but she pushed on with a quiet strength. She often spoke of her family and I know you brought her much joy. I wish she could have stayed longer but it is comforting to know that she was a woman of faith. Lean on the Lord for strength and comfort during the difficult days ahead. Celebrate her life, cherish the memories--and pass on the wonderful qualities that made her so special.

Jean Milby Carlton

Jean Milby Carlton - September 28, 2023 at 08:51 PM

LW

“ So sorry to hear about your Mother’s passing. Now she is with Bobby🙏. Every time I saw her she would tell me about her grands and how Grand they are. Know that her love for you and family was special. May her memory console you forever. Lewis Wilkins (Vet) in Tappahannock.

Lewis Wilkins - September 26, 2023 at 11:38 AM

SD

“ So sorry for your loss. I attended school and graduated with her many years ago. She was always outgoing with a wonderful smile. Whenever I ran into her she was always proud of her family and enjoyed sharing about them. My prayers are with each of you. Sue Dameron (Susan Smith)

Sue Dameron - September 26, 2023 at 08:02 AM

KB

“ Can't believe she's gone. Helen Mae has known me all my life. Always remembered my birthday, sending me a card. Always looked out for my family. I pray for her family and loved ones through this difficult time. Will Miss you darlin'

Kevin Michael Brown - September 25, 2023 at 12:56 PM

PK

“ Helen Mae was a wonderful friend, she was a great support to me when I moved to VA. In 1991, I will always remember her kindness and friendship. Blessings to the family.



Patsy Knight - September 25, 2023 at 12:46 PM



“ *Patricia Taylor sent a virtual gift in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp*



Patricia Taylor - September 24, 2023 at 05:37 PM



“ *Patricia Taylor lit a candle in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp*



Patricia Taylor - September 24, 2023 at 05:24 PM



thou we were not close for years i remember the football parties in her kitchen and she rooting for redskins and me cheering on the cowboys those were wonderful days to the entire family so sorry for you loss may god be with you all

Patricia Taylor - September 24, 2023 at 05:35 PM

CM

“ Today was a sad day as I heard of Helen Mae's passing. Helen Mae was by cousin by marriage but to me....she was my aunt. When I think of Helen Mae....I remember a big smile and a lot of laughter. I loved listening to her talk and always enjoyed her stories....which always had me in stitches. During my childhood, Helen Mae was often times a caregiver, an advisor for anything medical, a nurse to my childhood doctor, a transport to and from school for me and Bobbie Jo, and a dear friend to my family.

I have fond memories of my childhood with her. I remember eating chicken noodle soup and grilled cheese sandwiches with her, Bobbie Jo, my mom and me... (one can of soup fed all 4 of us back then). I remember all the "shows/plays" Bobbie Jo and I created that she had to sit through. I remember exchanging gifts on Christmas Eve's at her house.

I also remember how patient she was...she had to be to put up with all of the shenanigans that Bobbie Jo and I came up. But the thing I loved the most was just talking and laughing with her.

Helen Mae was a big presence in a small community and she will surely be missed.

Bobbie Jo.....I know your heart is broken and my heart breaks for you. You, Ty, Carter. Kemp and Baylor are all in my thoughts and prayers. I love you.

Christi Morton - September 24, 2023 at 02:33 PM

MC

“ What an outstanding lady! I am sure she is flying with angel wings!
Mary Crowder

Mary Crowder - September 24, 2023 at 01:03 PM

DH

“ *David N Ann Hall lit a candle in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp*



David n Ann Hall - September 24, 2023 at 12:19 PM

LS

“ *Losing a special friend is so hard, fly high my friend until we meet again. Love and sympathy, Bobbi Jo, to you and your family.*



Linda South - September 23, 2023 at 05:19 PM

JR

“ *John And Vickie Roane lit a candle in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp*



John and Vickie Roane - September 23, 2023 at 03:06 PM

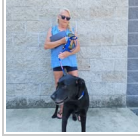
JW

“ *Bobbie Jo,*

You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Joanne Wright

Joanne Wright - September 23, 2023 at 02:09 PM



“ *She was happy to see you with a smile on face .she will be missed by all that knew her*



Margaret Horsley - September 23, 2023 at 01:22 PM

DN

“ *so shocked to have heard of Helen Mae passing on into the Promised Land but when all of our jobs have been tended to on earth ... there has been a reserved place waiting patiently for our arrival. I will always cherish the friendship we built over the years and her thoughtfulness concerning others in their time of need really touched me more than anything as she was always asking how is so and so and any good news I need to know ! Sure going to miss the LOVE CHILD !*

Dennis Norman - September 23, 2023 at 11:45 AM

AK

“ *Ann H. Kiss lit a candle in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp*



Ann H. Kiss - September 23, 2023 at 11:32 AM

DB

“ Just heard this a little while ago from my friend Judy Palmer! I am so very sad this morning! Helen Mae was a “ Ray of Sunshine”. I knew her well from Pleasant Hill (I was a grade above her) BUT several of us hung out together..... Helen Mae could play piano better than anyone I knew. (She played for several years under Mrs Roberts when I was in Choir) R.I.P. my sweet friend AND a GREAT FACEBOOK friend! 🙏🙏🙏. Dolores (Willis) Beeler

Dolores Willis Beeler - September 23, 2023 at 09:43 AM

NJ

Bobbie Jo, I was so sorry to hear of your Mom's death. Helen Mae was a beautiful person both inside and out. She had a smile that was contagious. We had many fun times together. May God comfort you and your children. Nancy Johnson

Nancy johnson - September 28, 2023 at 12:39 PM

JS

“ We will miss you Helen Mae but remember all the fond memories of our class together at Johnston-Willis Hospital School of Nursing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Judy Brame Sweeney.

Judy Brame Sweeney - September 23, 2023 at 09:14 AM

NT

“ Helen Mae and I were classmates at Pleasant Hill and also worked together for awhile in Richmond after graduation. I will always remember how happy and friendly she always was. So sorry to hear of her passing.

Nancy Thrift - September 23, 2023 at 08:52 AM

KF

“ I am so sorry for your loss. We graduated from nursing school together many years ago.
Kay Fearnow

Kay Fearnow - September 23, 2023 at 07:59 AM

JW

“ So sorry to hear this news. We been friends for over 70 years. Enjoyed our phone calls and laughs along the way. She will be missed

Janie wampler - September 23, 2023 at 07:09 AM

JP

“ So sorry to hear about Helen Mae. We had some fun times over the years - wonderful memories. Glenn and I send our love and sympathy to her family.

Judy Palmer - September 22, 2023 at 11:37 PM

TB

“ Temple Burton lit a candle in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp



Temple Burton - September 22, 2023 at 10:56 PM

AW

“ *Abbi Williams lit a candle in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp*



Abbi Williams - September 22, 2023 at 09:44 PM

TN

“ *Tim L Norman lit a candle in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp*



Tim L Norman - September 22, 2023 at 08:11 PM

BR

“ *Beverly&Jim Ross sent a virtual gift in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp*



Beverly&Jim Ross - September 22, 2023 at 07:59 PM

JB

“ *Brent. Sorry for your loss. Prayers and thoughts for all. J.W. Brown*

Jay Brown - September 22, 2023 at 07:47 PM

BA

“ *Brenda Anerton lit a candle in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp*



Brenda Anerton - September 22, 2023 at 07:01 PM

FC

“ *Francis Chandler lit a candle in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp*



francis chandler - September 22, 2023 at 06:58 PM

AF

“ *so sorry for your loss*



Armstead Family - September 22, 2023 at 06:55 PM

DG

“ *Diane Gaber lit a candle in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp*



Diane Gaber - September 22, 2023 at 06:18 PM

MN

“ Marie H Norman lit a candle in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp



Marie H Norman - September 22, 2023 at 06:15 PM

NB

“ Nancy H. Bland lit a candle in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp



Nancy H. Bland - September 22, 2023 at 05:13 PM

DS

“ Dale Seward lit a candle in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp



Dale Seward - September 22, 2023 at 04:53 PM

HH

“ Harwood Hall lit a candle in memory of Helen Mae Carter Kemp



Harwood Hall - September 22, 2023 at 04:51 PM

GC

“ Dear family, and friends,
I have known Helen Mae since the early
1962's. She and her brother were lots of fun.
Cherish your precious memories.
With heartfelt sympathy,
Gloria Couch (formerly Foster)



Gloria Couch - September 22, 2023 at 04:34 PM

PN

So sorry and sad to hear this news. She and her her family lived across the highway from my best friend Mike Brown and his family and that's how I met her at a very young age, a real cutie pie and we all played many hours. In more recent times she would answer many of my fb posts especially when it came to music from our time. RIP Helen Mae and when you join up with Bobby, give him my best.

Page Neale - September 23, 2023 at 10:41 AM

FC

I am so sorry to hear of her passing .I have known her all of my life. Wonderful nurse at Dr.Feltons office. May she rest in peace.

frances h carlton - September 24, 2023 at 01:35 PM

BS

Helen Mae Carter Kemp-- always had to say the entire name! As a JWH nursing classmate, I will always remember her smile and kindness. She could make us laugh anytime. Bobbie Jo, you were the "apple of her eye." I had the chance to talk with her about 2 years ago, when planning our 50th school of nursing reunion (which Covid cancelled) and of course much time was spent laughing. and sharing stories. Blessing to you and the family. She will be missed.
Betty Steed Shumate

Betty Steed Shumate - September 25, 2023 at 07:48 PM