



Helen Marie Welch Shaw

September 13, 1931 - October 25, 2012

Helen Marie Welch Shaw 81 of Sayre passed away on Thursday, October 25, 2012 at home surrounded by her family after a very courageous battle against cancer. Helen was born in Towanda PA on September 13, 1931 to the late Eugene and Alice Dunn Welch.

She attended St. Agnes School graduating in 1950 then attended College of Misericordia in Dallas PA. In January 1953, she married the late David "Dusty" Shaw Jr. in Sayre PA where she made her home.

In addition to being a dedicated wife and mother through the years, Helen also was employed at The New Park Hotel (now known as the Brie Marie Inn), Nocchi's Hoagie Stand, finishing her career working several positions in the Guthrie Healthcare System where she was well known and respected.

Helen's faith was very important in her life, she was a member of the Church of the Epiphany for 60 years. She was a member of the Sayre Redskin Club and the Epiphany Altar and Rosary Society. She volunteered for years for Sayre Little League and Epiphany School. She was an avid Bingo player in the Valley. She loved anything green and Irish. She was an avid decorator for every holiday. One of her most favorite places was Yanuzzi's. She loved Notre

Dame, NY Yankees and Sayre Redskins. Her biggest pleasure in her life was her family.

She is survived by her children: Mary Cochi, Maureen (Harry) Howland, and Margaret (Joe) Barry of Sayre. Joseph (Colleen) Shaw of Livonia NY, David III (Kathy), Michael (Beth), James (Sandra), Kevin (Karen), and Timothy (Jennifer) Shaw all of Sayre.

Grandchildren: David F. IV (Sarah), Justin, Jordan (Jessie), Christopher (Morgan), Bridget, Devin, Gabrielle, Ashley, Erica, Chelsea, John, Michael, Mary Kate, Patrick, Elizabeth, and Molly Shaw, Megan (Douglas) Gilson, Kara Cochi, and Katelyn and Brian Howland.

Great-Grandchildren: David V (DJ), Peyton, Benjamin, Hogan, Jack and Lily Shaw and Wyatt Schneider.

Sister in Laws: Margaret (Ray) Graboski of Elmira NY and Agnes Shaw of Vestal NY, and Betty Welch of Sayre PA. Cousin: Mary Kerwin of Rochester NY. Nieces and Nephews: Gene Welch, Georgia, Teresa Welch, Georgia, Mary Kay (Chris) Mitchel, Virginia, Shannon (Michael) Avakian, Virginia, Ray (Marie) Graboski, Lansdale PA.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, brothers James, Robert, John, Eugene, and Gerald; her son, John Mark; grandson, Ryan Patrick Howland; and granddaughter, Suzanne Marie Cochi.

Friends and family may call on Sunday, October 28, 2012 from 1-4 and 6-9 pm at the Alteri-Bowen Funeral Home, 314 Desmond Street, Sayre PA.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Monday, October 29, 2012 at 9:30 AM at the Church of the Epiphany, 304 South Elmer Avenue, in Sayre. Burial will

follow in the Tioga Point Cemetery, Athens, PA

Memorial donations may be made to: Sisters of Mercy, 35 Terrace St., Dallas PA; St. Agnes School Scholarship Fund, 102 3rd Street, Towanda PA; Christmas is for Kids 193 S. Keystone Ave, Sayre PA; JE Wheelock Fire Company 217 Frank Street, Sayre PA; Sayre Little League PO Box 444, Sayre PA or to a charity of one's choice. Memories and condolences may be expressed and shared by visiting the website of www.bowenfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Tioga Point Cemetery

803 North Main Street
Athens, PA 18810

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 28. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Alteri-Bowen Funeral Home
314 Desmond Street
Sayre, PA 18840
(570) 888-2113
info@bowenfuneralhomes.com

Visitation

OCT 28. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Sayre, PA 18840
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Service

OCT **29**. 9:30 AM (ET)

Church of the Epiphany
304 South Elmer Ave
Sayre, PA 18840

Tribute Wall



“ *Helen Marie Welch Shaw* ”

October 22, 2023 at 08:10 PM



“ *Helen Marie Welch Shaw* ”

October 08, 2023 at 10:34 PM



“ *Helen Marie Welch Shaw* ”

October 06, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ *Helen Marie Welch Shaw* ”

October 06, 2023 at 03:29 AM



“ *Helen Marie Welch Shaw* ”

October 05, 2023 at 02:02 PM



“ *Barbara Hutter sent a virtual gift in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw* ”



Barbara Hutter - November 01, 2012 at 07:40 AM

BH

Angel Helen will be watching over your entire family. God Bless.

Barbara Hutter - November 01, 2012 at 07:44 AM

EJ

“ *We are so sorry for your loss we have been neighbors for 40 years and we will always remember Helen with her smile waving and saying hello everytime she sees any of us. Our thoughts and prayers to the entire family.*



Ed & Betty Johnston and Family

Edward Johnston - October 30, 2012 at 06:20 PM

RF

“ *Our sincerest condolences on the passing of a wonderful Wife, Mom, grandmother, great grandmother and friend of the community. She was, to us, a great friend and supporter of everything we were involved with. Please pass along Carol and my thoughts and prayers to Mike, Jimmy, Kevin, Maureen, Margaret, Dave, Joe and Timmy as well as all the extended family.*

Sincerely,

Ron and Carol Ferrara

Ron Ferrara - October 30, 2012 at 12:18 PM

LN

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Helen was such an awesome lady. Such a beautiful person. No matter where I saw her she brightened the day. In just losing my Dad-he and Helen almost had the same birthday I noticed- I understand how much it hurts even though you are glad they are no longer hurting the thought of living the rest of our lives without this cherished person is scary and it hurts. She raised such an awesome family. She has so much to be proud of in her family. I loved when she would talk about one of you guys as you could see how proud she was. Again I am sorry she isn't with you anymore in body but she will definitely be watching from Heaven and cheering you on just like she always did. Again so sorry. Lisa & Bob Nocchi and family

Lisa Nocchi - October 29, 2012 at 04:17 PM

GF

“ Chelsea, Your family and Grandmother are in our prayers. - The Wach's



Grace Wach and family - October 29, 2012 at 11:31 AM

AD

“ Al DeJulio lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw



Al DeJulio - October 29, 2012 at 07:38 AM

CD

“ I will always remember that smile Helen used to light up a room with. She truly will be missed by all of us that have "The Valley" in our hearts.

Chris Davies - October 28, 2012 at 05:55 PM

TW

“ Terri Wood lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw



terri wood - October 28, 2012 at 01:35 PM

SD

“ Sandra Dunfee*fiske* lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw



sandra dunfee*fiske* - October 27, 2012 at 01:13 PM

SD

So sorry to hear of helens passing what a wonderful kind hearted irish women the valley has lost., rip helen.

sandra dunfee*fiske* - October 27, 2012 at 01:22 PM



“ *June Shaffer lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw*



June Shaffer - October 27, 2012 at 08:26 AM



“ *We are very sorry for your loss. Our thought and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.*

David and Charity Shaefer and Family

Charity Shaefer - October 27, 2012 at 08:02 AM



“ *The Valley has lost one of its best known, warm-hearted citizens. Our sympathy and prayers are extended to the Shaw Family. May Mrs. Shaw rest in peace, and may Perpetual Light shine upon her!*



Sincerely,

John and Sharon Knowles

John & Sharon Knowles - October 27, 2012 at 06:55 AM

DW

“ Daniel Joseph Woodburn lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw



Daniel Joseph Woodburn - October 27, 2012 at 03:42 AM

AC

“ Anthony Cochi lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw



Anthony Cochi - October 26, 2012 at 05:33 PM

JC

“ Joseph Cochi lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw



Joseph Cochi - October 26, 2012 at 05:32 PM

NC

“ Nancy Yanuzzi Cleff lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw



Nancy Yanuzzi Cleff - October 26, 2012 at 04:40 PM

NC

I love that picture of your mom.. She was the best. My family, as well as the whole Valley will truly miss her warm spirit and acts of great kindness.

Nancy Yanuzzi Cleff - October 26, 2012 at 04:41 PM

CF

“ *Clyde & Elise Finn lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw*



clyde & elise finn - October 26, 2012 at 03:07 PM

KW

“ *Keith And Kara White lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw*



Keith and Kara White - October 26, 2012 at 01:08 PM

AP

“ *Alisha & Mike Polzella lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw*



Alisha & Mike Polzella - October 26, 2012 at 12:13 PM

JH

“ *Mary, Kara, Megan and Doug*
It is a great loss to lose a very special person in your life. We are so sorry for your loss and are thinking of all of you.
Jamey and Gyla

Jamey and Gyla Hoose - October 26, 2012 at 11:28 AM



“ *Ashley Niece lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw*



Ashley Niece - October 26, 2012 at 10:56 AM

TF

“ *You are all in our thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time. Your Mom was a wonderful and special woman. She will be missed by everyone in the Valley! Let the memories that you have of her live in your hearts forever.*

The Keith Gabriel Family - October 26, 2012 at 10:38 AM

MJ

“ *Mike & Karen Jones lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw*



Mike & Karen Jones - October 26, 2012 at 10:13 AM

SS

“ *Sarrah Lewis (Sindoni) & Tarrah Sindoni lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw*



Sarrah Lewis (Sindoni) & Tarrah Sindoni - October 26, 2012 at 10:11 AM

SS

“ *Steve And Ruth Schrader lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw*



Steve and Ruth Schrader - October 26, 2012 at 10:06 AM

JK

“ *Judy Kizale lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw*



Judy Kizale - October 26, 2012 at 09:32 AM

AH

“ *So sorry for your loss. I enjoyed seeing Helen every morning reading her newspaper at the information desk by the A elevators. We'd exchange our good mornings, how are you, nice to see you. It's just not the same walking past that desk in the morning and seeing her beautiful smile. Heaven has gained a wonderful lady!*

Anna Holschuh - October 26, 2012 at 09:22 AM

JB

“ *Jim Bentley lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw*



Jim Bentley - October 26, 2012 at 09:19 AM

HP

“ *In spite of the emptiness you leave you will always be loved by your family. "Dusty" will be happy to see you. We will miss your great smile.*

Harry and Dorothy Patterson - October 26, 2012 at 09:18 AM

BS

“ *Barbara Sorensen lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw*



Barbara Sorensen - October 26, 2012 at 09:15 AM

VC

“ *Valerie (Park) Chapman lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw*



Valerie (Park) Chapman - October 26, 2012 at 09:12 AM

TB

“ Teri Bomboy lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw



Teri Bomboy - October 26, 2012 at 09:11 AM

PC

“ Patti Coy;e lit a candle in memory of Helen Marie Welch Shaw



Patti Coy;e - October 26, 2012 at 06:00 AM

HP

"Dusty" will sure be glad to see you Helen. In spite of the emptiness you leave here you will always be loved by your family. We will all miss your great smile.

Harry and Dorothy Patterson

Harry and Dorothy Patterson - October 26, 2012 at 09:14 AM