



Helen M. Rundhaug

February 5, 1918 - March 22, 2016

Waunakee / Dodgeville – Helen Margaret (Lins) Rundhaug, age 98, of Waunakee, formerly of Dodgeville, passed away on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at Waunakee Manor.

She was born on February 5, 1918 in Spring Green, WI, the daughter of Joseph and Clara (Thering) Lins. Helen grew up on a dairy farm and graduated from Spring Green High School. She enjoyed living in Madison, working at St. Mary's Hospital and Oscar Mayer. On May 12, 1942, she married Marvel A. Rundhaug and journeyed through life with him until his death on January 26, 1999. Throughout her life she was a faithful member of St. Joseph's Church in Dodgeville.

It's not possible to summarize a life of 98 years. Helen lived a full life, enjoying cooking, baking, canning, sewing, gardening, playing cards, farming and traveling with Marvel. She was very creative writing poetry, quilting, embroidery, ceramics, and loved music, playing the piano, harmonica and accordion. Helen's life was truly centered around farm, faith, friends and family. She was a special person with a unique sense of humor and lively personality. There's a reason why her nickname growing up was "Sparky" and many would say she was simply a "hoot."

Helen is survived by six children, Mary Ellen (Stan) Hahn, Marlene, LeRoy

(Julie), Ron (Karen), Joan (Craig) Witz, Karen (Mark) Rundhaug Sherman; 14 grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; other relatives and friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, March 28, 2016 at ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH in Dodgeville. Monsignor Daniel Ganshert will officiate. Burial will be held in St. Joseph's Cemetery. Friends may call from 9:30 a.m. until time of Mass on Monday at the church.

"Taunt strings loosened, the knots untied, her fingers opened and dropped what they had been holding onto so tightly. Her shoulders lightened, freed of what they had been carrying. Go, let go; where the wind sweeps and the tide takes, she let go."

You were truly a force in our life Mom. Thank you and we love you!

Tribute Wall



“ *Helen M. Rundhaug*

November 15, 2022 at 06:49 AM



“ *Blessings and prayers for the family.*

Kendra and Wayne Lipska - April 28, 2018 at 01:40 AM



“ *Ron & family; So sorry for your loss. Thinking of you all.*

John & Diane Hermanson - April 28, 2018 at 01:40 AM



“ *My sincere sympathy in the loss of your mom. My Mom Dorothy Hanson and your mom worked together at Oscar Mayer back in the 40's. I remember as a little girl my family came out to visit your family in Dodgeville. I remember you Marlene but you probably don't remember me. My deepest sympathy in the loss of your Mom*

Jan (Hanson) McMullen - April 28, 2018 at 01:40 AM



“ *Karen, It was a treat to see your mom at (Creekwood) double bonus when you were there too. Warm thoughts to your family.*

Roger Hamilton - April 28, 2018 at 01:40 AM



“ *Your mom was a great friend to my mom who passed in Jan. 2016. They had a lot of fun doing day trips together. So sorry for your loss.*

Mary Roh Kenny - April 28, 2018 at 01:40 AM

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“ My condolences to all of the Rundhaug family. I am a classmate of Mary from Nursing School. I never met your mother but I sure do wish I had known her. Sounds like she was a wonderful lady! God bless you all during this time. Sharon Chastain

Sharon Chastain - April 28, 2018 at 01:40 AM