



## Helen Trew Durdning

February 9, 1920 - December 16, 2013

Helen Trew Durdning of Rock Hall, MD, died on Monday, December 16, 2013, at Chestertown Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. She was 93.

Ms. Durdning was born on February 9, 1920, in Toronto, Canada. She was the daughter of the late Benjamin Trew Durdning, Sr., and Daisy Bartholomew and granddaughter of the late T. Benjamin and Annie M. Trew Durdning of Kent County and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Bartholomew of Seaford, England. Ms. Durdning was educated in Kent County Public Schools and was a graduate of Mt. St. Agnes School for Girls, Mt. St. Agnes College, and Mercy Hospital School of Medical Technology.

Ms. Durdning owned and operated Durdning's Store in Rock Hall, MD. She was a charter member of Soroptomist International of Chestertown, Charter of Kitty Knight Questors, Board Member of Camp Fairlee Manor, Kent County Planning Commission, Women's League of Washington College, Kent County Historical Society, Rock Hall Garden Club, Rock Hall Museum, Rock Hall United Methodist Church and Jane's Chesapeake Crabettes Chapter of the Red Hatters.

Ms. Durdning is predeceased by a brother, Benjamin Trew Durdning; a dear friend, Emil Myers; and a nephew, Benjamin Trew Durdning, III.

She is survived by two nieces, Janis Caldwell and her husband Leonard of Chestertown, MD, and Ellen K. Bryden and her husband Dennis of Rock Hall, MD; great nieces and nephews, Katie Jo Donovan, James Benjamin Caldwell, Anna Caldwell, Timothy Hinefelt, Molly Bryden, and Megan Trew Fletcher; and special friends, Frank Hogans, Sr., Alex Rasin, Elmer Horsey, Dean Wood, Art Willis, William Hepbron, Robert Ford, and Barbara Fancher.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, January 11, 2014, at 11 a.m. at Rock Hall United Methodist Church.

Interment will be private in Wesley Chapel Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Rock Hall United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 66, Rock Hall, MD 21661.

# Cemetery Details

## Wesley Chapel Cemetery

6179 Rock Hall Road  
Rock Hall, MD

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JAN 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

Rock Hall United Methodist Church  
5730 Main Street  
Rock Hall, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Helen Trew Durdig*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Helen Trew Durdig*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Helen Trew Durdig*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



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**Bobby Myers** - June 28, 2014 at 07:50 PM

MD

“ *What a blessing Miss Helen was to Rock Hall! I have such wonderful childhood memories of sitting at the soda bar with my grandfather James F Davis Sr in Durdington's Store. When ever visiting Rock Hall after moving to Chestertown, a stop to see Miss Helen and Durdington's was always a must. Miss Helen, thanks for all the memories. Love you!*

*Marybeth Downes*

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**Marybeth Downes** - January 06, 2014 at 12:54 PM

EB

“ *Ellen Bryden lit a candle in memory of Helen Trew Durdington*



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**Ellen Bryden** - December 30, 2013 at 09:34 PM

MM

“ *Mark Mumford lit a candle in memory of Helen Trew Durdington*



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**Mark Mumford** - December 30, 2013 at 08:50 AM

DH

“Denise Hepbron sent a virtual gift in memory of Helen Trew Durdig



Denise Hepbron - December 20, 2013 at 11:35 AM

DH

*I was thinking the other night when I would come visit and cook dinner. I would say ok Miss. Helen what do you want tomorrow night and you would say I don't care. So one night I made pigs in a blanket. I fixed your plate, set it before you, and you looked down at it and said "what the hell is that". I said they are pigs in a blanket. You said I'm not going to like that. I said just try it I think you will. Well you did and requested them again, several times actually. You were so funny and I will cherish those evenings with you. I'll miss you doll. You sure were one of a kind. Rest in Peace.*

*Denise*

Denise Hepbron - January 06, 2014 at 01:07 PM



*I only met Miss Helen once, she took me to the museum and I saw picture of relatives Emil and George Myers in front of store. This was about 2 yrs ago, the lady was a pistol, she told me she went with Emil fo 50 yrs and never got married. I asked her why and she said they argued too much, I told her that's what married people do. I took some pictures in her apartment of her and Emil. was sorry to hear she passed, but she had a wonderful life. Bob Myers*

Bobby Myers - June 28, 2014 at 07:46 PM

JE

“ *Jo Ann Edwards lit a candle in memory of Helen Trew Durning*



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**Jo Ann Edwards** - December 20, 2013 at 10:30 AM

CK

“ *Cindy King lit a candle in memory of Helen Trew Durning*



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**Cindy King** - December 19, 2013 at 08:24 PM

LW

“ *Although I have never met Ms. Durning, I am pleased to be a member of Soroptimist International of Kent County, MD, where she was a charter member. Linda Waal, Soroptimist International of Kent County, MD.*



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**Linda Waal** - December 19, 2013 at 07:23 PM

RE

“ *Rick Elliott lit a candle in memory of Helen Trew Durning*



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**Rick Elliott** - December 18, 2013 at 03:05 PM

GC

“ *Gail Kendall Claggett*



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**Gail Kendall Claggett** - December 18, 2013 at 02:37 PM

JG

“ *Jeanne And Rick Geibel lit a candle in memory of Helen Trew Durning*



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**Jeanne And Rick Geibel** - December 18, 2013 at 02:24 PM

NH

“ *Nancy Hubbard lit a candle in memory of Helen Trew Durning*



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**Nancy Hubbard** - December 18, 2013 at 01:09 PM

LR

“ *Lisa Williams Ross lit a candle in memory of Helen Trew Durning*



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**Lisa Williams Ross** - December 18, 2013 at 12:20 PM

GS

“ *Very fond memories of "Miss" Helen. Boating in the Chester River, visiting our family at Athol Lodge in Rock Hall. Life long friend of my aunt Jane. Lived with my family in Baltimore during her years at Mt St Agnes.*

*Always honest in her opinions! Always up for a dinner or lunch!  
Always fun to be with.*

*So glad I knew her and will miss seeing her in Rock Hall.*

*My prayers and condolences to Janis and Ellen.*

*Gerry Nitsch Serviente*

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**Gerry Nitsch Serviente** - December 18, 2013 at 10:18 AM

CE

“ *Charles & Donna Edwards lit a candle in memory of Helen Trew Durning*



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**Charles & Donna Edwards** - December 17, 2013 at 10:31 PM

TJ

“ *Tom And Nancy Lee Jewell lit a candle in memory of Helen Trew Durning*



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**Tom and Nancy Lee Jewell** - December 17, 2013 at 05:36 PM