



## Helen Smith Curry

March 5, 2015

Helen Smith Curry, 84, wife of Ray H. Curry, went home to be with her Heavenly Father on Thursday, March 5, 2015.

Born and raised in Williamson, WV, she was the daughter of Claude and Cordelia Baisden Smith, a well-known pioneer family of Williamson, WV. Helen was a 1948 graduate of Williamson High School and a graduate of The Huntington School of Beauty Culture. She operated Helen's Beauty Shop in Delbarton, WV.

On March 7, 1950, she married Ray Hardy Curry of Elk Creek Road in Delbarton, WV. She has been a resident of Elk Creek since that day. Helen is the Mother of two Sons, Richard Keith (Susan) Curry and the late David Ray Curry who passed away in an accident on July 12, 1980. She is the Grandmother of three Grandsons, David Ray Curry, Michael Jonathon Curry, and Billy Ray (LeeAnn) Curry, one granddaughter Chelsey Rae Curry, and two great-grandchildren, Autumn and Benjamin Curry.

Helen has been a proud member of Connolly Memorial Baptist Church since 1951 where she served her church in many capacities such as Associational Officer, Teacher, Deaconess, and Sunday School Superintendent. Her church family was her extended family.

She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star Elizabeth Chapter No. 37 for more than 50 years. She has served her chapter well as Worthy Matron. She was also chosen as the Grand Representative of WV. She received the Grand Cross of Colors for her devotion to the Rainbow Girls which is one of

the highest honors given. Helen's fondest memories were of her work with the Scouts where the meetings were held at her home.

Family Members preceding her in death are her son David Ray Curry, Father Claude Smith, Mother Cordelia B. Smith, Brothers James "Willy" Smith, Elmer Smith, Ralph Smith, and Harold Smith all of Williamson, WV. Sisters Ida May Smith Copley of Charleston, WV, Hazel Smith Blankenship of Williamson, WV, and Emma Ruth Smith Varney of West Palm Beach, Fl.

Family members left to cherish her memories are her loving husband, Ray H. Curry, son Richard Keith (Susan) Curry, Grandsons Billy Ray (LeeAnn) Curry, David Ray Curry, Michael Jonathan Curry, Granddaughter Chelsey Ray Curry, and great-grandchildren Autumn and Benjamin Curry.

Funeral Services will be held at her church of Connolly Memorial Baptist Church on Saturday, March 14, 2015 at 1:00 in the afternoon with the Rev. Danny Mitchell officiating. Visitation will be at the Church from 6:00-9:00 in the evening on Friday, March 13, 2015. Burial will follow the funeral at the Farley Cemetery on Elk Creek Road in Delbarton, WV. Chafin Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Online condolences can be made at [ChafinFuneralHome.Com](http://ChafinFuneralHome.Com)

# Cemetery Details

## Farley Cemetery

Elk Creek, WV

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 13. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Connolly Memorial Baptist Church  
Delbarton, WV

## Service

MAR 14. 1:00 PM (ET)

Connolly Memorial Baptist Church  
Delbarton, WV

## Burial

MAR 14 (ET)

Farley Cemetery  
Elk Creek, WV

# Tribute Wall



“ *Helen Smith Curry*

November 21, 2022 at 02:05 PM



“ *Sorry to hear of Helen's passing. Prayers for you and your family.*

*Carolyn curry*

**carolyn curry evans** - March 29, 2015 at 08:57 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Helen's passing, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time of sorrow.*

*John and Deb Farley*

**John and Deb Farley** - March 16, 2015 at 01:03 PM



“ *Praying for the family. Helen was a beautiful woman and a blessing to her church family. I will miss her.*



**Yvonne Quinn** - March 12, 2015 at 06:17 AM

MC

“ *I Remember Helen and her family when living on Vinson St. ( Williamson Hollow) in the 40's lovely family. May the family left behind find peace in knowing that she had a wonderful life.*

*Mary Jane Brunty Cleghon*

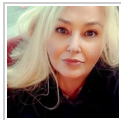
**Mary Brunty Cleghon** - March 12, 2015 at 06:07 AM



“ *Teresa Justice lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry*



**Teresa Justice** - March 11, 2015 at 10:43 PM



*One of the best Ladies I have known .*

**Teresa Justice** - March 11, 2015 at 10:46 PM

JH

“ *Ray,  
Praying for you and your family in the lose of  
your "precious" wife.  
Helen was such a classy lady. She always  
had a smile on her face.*

*Jacki (Canterbury) Hill*



**Jackie (Canterbury) Hill** - March 11, 2015 at 08:06 PM

CD

“ *Hated to hear of Helen's passing, a dear friend, my thoughts and prayers with her many friends and family.*

*Clifford Davis*

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**Clifford Davis** - March 11, 2015 at 12:01 PM



“ *Myrtle Smith lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry*



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**Myrtle Smith** - March 11, 2015 at 10:57 AM



*I would just like to say how sorry we are to hear about Helen. Larry always loved his Aunt Helen and Uncle Ray.*

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**Myrtle Smith** - March 11, 2015 at 11:01 AM

AB

*I am very sad to hear of Helen's passing. My prayers for Ray, Richard, Billy and families.*

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**albert browning** - March 14, 2015 at 01:20 PM

PV

“ *Penny Varney-Robinson lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry*



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**Penny Varney-Robinson** - March 11, 2015 at 10:32 AM



“ Thank you, Helen, for always taking time to talk with me at church and for calling me every now and then. I know that you are looking for us to be with you someday. Some glad day....

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**Ingrid Curry** - March 11, 2015 at 08:32 AM



“ *Samantha Belcher lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry*



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**Samantha Belcher** - March 11, 2015 at 08:19 AM



“ *Frank And Tammy Ferguson lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry*



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**Frank and Tammy Ferguson** - March 11, 2015 at 06:54 AM



“ *Sid & Evelyn Ferrell lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry*



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**Sid & Evelyn Ferrell** - March 11, 2015 at 06:01 AM

SF

*Helen was a fine Christian woman who loved her Lord, loved her family and loved her church.....she was a friend who will be greatly missed....look forward to seeing her when we walk through heaven's gates...*

Sid & Evelyn Ferrell - March 11, 2015 at 06:04 AM

AH

“ *Angie Stanley Hobbs lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry*



Angie Stanley Hobbs - March 11, 2015 at 03:22 AM

AM

“ *Alice Murphy sent a virtual gift in memory of Helen Smith Curry*



Alice Murphy - March 10, 2015 at 09:48 PM

AM

*Sister Helen will surely be missed. She was a True Eastern Star. Her golden ray now shines in Heaven!*

Alice Murphy - March 10, 2015 at 09:52 PM

WS

“ Wendy Smith lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry



wendy smith - March 10, 2015 at 09:23 PM

WS

we loved Helen she was the sweetest woman i will miss her at church and the Christmas party at the fire dept prayers for Ray and her children and grandchildren she will be missed by many but never forgotten R.I.P Helen until we meet again church won't be the same without her

wendy smith - March 10, 2015 at 09:27 PM

PP

“ Patsy Phipps lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry



Patsy Phipps - March 10, 2015 at 09:13 PM

PW

“ Pam Warden lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry

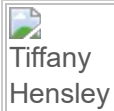


Pam Warden - March 10, 2015 at 08:12 PM

PW

*Helen was a very dear friend of mind, one that I admired for all the work she did for her church. She will truly be missed by me & it's going to be hard to find somebody to fill her shoes. Praying for Ray & the rest of the Curry Family. Love you all.*

**Pam Warden** - March 10, 2015 at 08:15 PM



*I grew up around Helen at church. She was always such a blessing to be around. You could tell she loved the Lord. To all her loved ones I am very sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you!*

**Tiffany Hensley** - March 10, 2015 at 09:25 PM

KM

*“Helen may not have been blood but to me she was family and God truly gained another beautiful angel who I know is smiling down on all her family, friends, an church. She was a very humble person who loved everyone an was always there for people any way she could be an will be deeply missed ❤️*



**Kaci Marcum** - March 10, 2015 at 08:05 PM

DM

*“Ray I am so sorry about Helen I know she will be deepley missed my prayers are with you and all the family*

**dottie maynard** - March 10, 2015 at 07:39 PM

DM

*“Dottie Maynard lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry*



**dottie maynard** - March 10, 2015 at 07:35 PM



“ *Chelsey Curry lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry* ”



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**Chelsey Curry** - March 10, 2015 at 07:25 PM



“ Growing up with your Nanny living next door creates a bond that is not your typical granddaughter - grandmother relationship. My earliest memory in life is waking up in the morning and yelling for my Nanny to come get me out of bed as she use to watch me while Mom worked. From catching butterflies, watching Little Bear, stocking the church pews, picking apples, macaroni dinners, to her sitting at the end of the driveway in a lawn chair so I wouldn't drive my Barbie Jeep into the road are just a few ways we would spend the day. From the time I was a little girl until I was grown, my nanny instilled such values in me, to love God, and know my worth. In her eyes I was "Miss America" as she use to say. I would give anything for one more conversation with her or one of her homemade apple pies, but that is just me being selfish. Not many can say they got to play tennis, walk the track, and swim with their 84 year old grandma and for that I am very blessed and thankful. She was such a role model to me in all aspects. From how she carried herself, how she dressed, the wife/mother/grandmother/Christian she was, her involvement with the church, Eastern Star, and the list continues. If I can one day be half the woman she was, I will be satisfied. I may not have my nanny 20 steps away next door now, but I have an angel above who is walking the streets of gold.



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Chelsey Curry - March 10, 2015 at 07:25 PM

CM

“ *Crystal Blackburn Miller lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry*



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**crystal blackburn Miller** - March 10, 2015 at 07:23 PM

RM

“ *Rita Miller lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry*



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**Rita Miller** - March 10, 2015 at 07:15 PM

RM

*RIP Aunt Helen. Love you*

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**Rita Miller** - March 10, 2015 at 07:17 PM

RI

“ *Richard sent a virtual gift in memory of Helen Smith Curry*



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**Richard** - March 10, 2015 at 07:03 PM

DO

“ *Ray and Family - I'm so sorry to hear of Helen's passing. She was such a sweet person and a friend of my mother Emma & dad Don Crum who also lived on Elk Creek. She was always so glad to see me return home. She reminded me so much of Mother. My heart and prayers are sent to you. She will be sadly missed by all who knew her. Lovingly, DonnaK Crum O'Brien, Catlettsburg, KY 03-10-2015*

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**Donna O'Brien** - March 10, 2015 at 06:21 PM

RC

“ *Richard Curry lit a candle in memory of Helen Smith Curry*



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**Richard Curry** - March 10, 2015 at 06:11 PM

RC

*Mom you will be missed.*

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**Richard Curry** - March 10, 2015 at 06:12 PM