



## Helen Virginia Winkler

March 10, 1920 - October 29, 2011

Helen (Graham) Winkler was born March 10, 1920 in Silver Creek, Nebraska to Donald and Gertrude (Galimore) Graham. Helen attended grade school and high school in Stromsburg where she also participated in sports, winning ribbons for running.

The family moved to Petersburg where Helen met Henry Winkler. They were married August 16, 1938 and were blessed with six children: Roxie, twins Leah and Larry, Don, Terry and Sheila. They resided in Petersburg until 1959 when they settled in Valley, Nebraska for the remainder of their lives.

Helen was a devoted wife and mother who thoroughly enjoyed time with her children and really cherished the moments with grands and great grands. She enjoyed 20 years of employment at Brandeis/Youngers in Omaha. She was very active in her church, St. John's Catholic Church in Valley and participated in Altar Society, funeral luncheon group and Lenten fish fries. Helen volunteered the Care Center and Assisted Living. She was very social, enjoying Bunco, Red Hats and many new friends. Helen loved to travel, covering many miles.

Helen passed away Saturday, October 29, 2011 at the Josie Harper Hospice House in Omaha at the age of 91 years, 7 months and 19 days. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Henry, brother Loren and sister Donna Prunty. Helen is survived by sons and daughters-in-law Larry and Diane of Colorado Springs, CO, Don and Shirley of Omaha and Terry and Connie of Valley; daughters and sons-in-law Roxie and Terry Lewis of Elkhorn,

Leah and Gurney Pittenger of North Bend, NE and Sheila Winkler of Omaha; 12 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren; brother Robert Graham of Delta, CO; many other relatives and friends. She will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Winkler, Helen age 91 of Valley, NE

Preceded in death by parents Donald and Gertrude, husband Henry, brother Loren and sister Donna; survived by sons and daughters-in-law Larry and Diane of Colorado Springs, CO, Don and Shirley of Omaha and Terry and Connie of Valley; daughters and sons-in-law Roxie and Terry Lewis of Elkhorn, Leah and Gurney Pettenger of North Bend, NE and Sheila Winkler of Omaha; 12 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren; brother Robert Graham of Delta, CO; visitation Tuesday noon to 7 pm at the Elkhorn funeral home with family receiving friends from 6 to 7. Wake service at 7 PM. Funeral Mass Wednesday 10:30 AM at St. John's Catholic Church in Valley; Interment Prospect Hill Cemetery; Memorials to the church, Valley Library or Hospice House; condolences to [www.reichmuthfuneralhomes.com](http://www.reichmuthfuneralhomes.com)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Helen Virginia Winkler*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *I miss you Granny! I hope you're having fun in Heaven.*

**Abby Winkler** - July 23, 2014 at 10:07 PM



“ *My condolences on this first anniversary of your mother's death, Roxie. God bless. Jackie*

**Jackie Sojka** - October 22, 2012 at 01:29 PM



“ *Sheila. . . A voice out of your past and an old Mutual of Omaha friend. Roger and I have just moved to Lake City, SD where we are both semiretired I just read about your mother and I am so very sorry. I have thought about you often and wondered what you have been doing. I tried to get your address off the Internet to send you a letter but could only get North 167th Avenue so this was my second option. Hope you are well and if you get a chance send me an email to let me know how you are doing. My phone number in SD is 605-486-0015. Rog and I will be here until Thanksgiving then we will be driving to Port Isabel, Texas and staying there for four month. . . I DO NOT do winters very well any more. Again, my sincerest condolences. Take care and God bless! Respectfully, Vicki Rauch Voorhees*

**Vicki Rauch Voorhees** - November 04, 2011 at 06:46 PM

DP

“ Our Sympathy to you all. May God comfort you at this time of your loss.

Delmer & Pauline Pelster - November 03, 2011 at 10:37 PM

LS

“ Dear Roxie and Terry, We were sorry to learn of your mother's death, Roxie. I'm sure that lovely woman will be missed by all of your family and friends. I just remember her as being such an attractive and classy lady. Our prayers and condolences. Lou and Jackie Sojka

Lou and Jackie Sojka - November 01, 2011 at 11:26 PM

MN

“ My sympathies and prayers to all of Helen's family, especially Leah and Karmen Pittenger. Helen's amazing spirit and strength lives on in the many lives that Helen touched -- especially in the generous spirit of the two of you. Much love, Marci Nielsen

Marci Nielsen - November 01, 2011 at 05:11 PM

KK

“ Our deepest sympathy on the loss of your mother. Marv and Kathy (Henkenius) Koch of Petersburg, Ne.

Kathy Koch - November 01, 2011 at 11:03 AM

RM

“ To all of the Winkler "kids". I was surprised and shocked to read of your Mom's passing. The last time we saw her, she was so good and strong. Thinking about her brings back a lot of pleasant memories of Petersburg. Our condolences. We will remember her in our prayers.

Ray & Marie Mack - October 31, 2011 at 08:30 PM

GH

“ Dear Roxie and family--  
Our love and sympathy are with you all at this time of loss.  
Your dear mother will be in our prayers.  
With love,  
Gloria & Charles Horejsi

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**Gloria and Charles Horejsi** - October 31, 2011 at 02:52 PM

BK

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. I know you have so many wonderful memories. May they help you through this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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**Barbara Keeler-Klinetobe** - October 31, 2011 at 01:47 PM

MC

“ If everyone lit just one little candle, what a bright world this would be.

*Helen's smile brightened our days, and her joy for life, her family, and her faith lit the world around her.*

*Valley will miss her bustling around town, but she will be in our hearts always. Mary*

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**Mary Caffey** - October 31, 2011 at 11:58 AM

KR

“ Our love and prayers to all the family!!

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**Kevin and Tammi Reynolds** - October 30, 2011 at 11:59 PM

JG

“ *It truly is an honor to know Helen. The wonderful children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and other family members she leaves behind here are a fitting testament to her amazing personality. Prayers are with you.*

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**John Gibbs** - October 30, 2011 at 10:10 PM