



Helen Muriel Phipps

August 27, 1930 - August 28, 2024

Helen Muriel Thomas Phipps, 94, beloved mother, grandmother, and friend was called back to her heavenly home on August 28, 2024. She passed peacefully from this world surrounded by family at her home in Nokesville, Virginia. Helen was preceded in death by her husband Robert Ray Phipps, her son Robert Allen Phipps, two sisters, one brother, and three great-grandsons.

Helen was born August 27, 1930, in Marshall, Virginia to Susan Elizabeth McGuinn Thomas. She was a joy and comfort to her mother, having been born after the loss of her little brother a year earlier. Helen was blessed with a little sister, Margaret, when she was 17 months old. Her family moved several times but settled in Catharpin, Virginia where Helen would spend most of her childhood.

Central to Helen's life was her faith in a divine Father in Heaven. Her faith in God guided her through life's challenges and gave her resilience and strength. When she met Robert Ray Phipps in her teens, he shared with her the gospel of Jesus Christ and introduced her to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Helen felt that she had always known her Savior and believed His gospel and she was later baptized and became an active member of the Church.

Rob and Helen were married June 2, 1947, in Dothan, Alabama and sealed together as a family on March 20, 1956, in their Church's Mesa, Arizona temple. Helen and Rob are the parents of 8 children: Marie (Leon), Bobby (Donna), Sharon (Bobby), Chris (Dave), Leland (Pat), Nancy (Paul), Jimmy (Judy) and Adam.

Following in her mother's footsteps, Helen drove a school bus for Prince William County for over 30 years, giving rides to and from school for two generations of children. She is remembered by those children for her kindness and generosity.

Helen was known throughout her life for her unwavering dedication to her family, her tireless work ethic, her generous spirit and as a valiant woman of faith. Whether caring for her children or grandchildren, helping someone in need, or volunteering her time to church callings and community needs, her life was a testament to the power of selflessness, faith, grace and courage. Always giving and putting others before herself, her kindness and sacrifices are scored upon the hearts of all who knew her.

Helen's legacy lives on in her remaining seven children, 27 grandchildren, 71 great grandchildren and 6 great-great grandchildren and in the countless lives she touched through her acts of kindness. She has left our arms, but not our hearts.

The family will receive friends at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, VA on Monday, September 2nd from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

A memorial service will be held at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, September 3rd at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 5750 Websters Way, Manassas, VA.

Private interment will be held at 10:00am on Tuesday, September 3rd for family and close friends at Stonewall Memory Gardens, 12004 Lee Highway, Manassas, VA.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial contribution may be made to the Missionary Fund of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, c/o Bishop Ian Houston, Bristow Ward, 5750 Websters Way, Manassas, VA.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 2. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 257-6028
pfh@piercefh.com
<https://www.piercefh.com>

Memorial Service

SEP 3. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
5750 Websters Way
Manassas, VA

Tribute Wall



“ So many wonderful memories of playing at her house with Mike, Eric, and John! From jumping on the trampoline to game nights and sleepovers! She was always so kind and the family was always very welcoming! She will be missed, but forever remembered fondly! Condolences from me and my family to yours.

Dominic Scatto - September 02, 2024 at 09:10 AM

PR

“ Paul Martinuc, Cindy Crockett, RPM purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Helen Muriel Phipps.



Paul Martinuc, Cindy Crockett, RPM - August 30, 2024 at 03:15 PM

TB

“ Such a wonderful person. Sure, she was my bus driver like 7 million other kids, but I used to play football in her yard with her sons and Paul Dawson.
Tom Basham

Tom Basham - August 29, 2024 at 06:15 PM



“ Although I didn’t get to spend as much time with my great-grandmother as I would have liked, I’ve always heard about the love and care great-grandmother Phipps brought to our family. Her love and impact is clear in the stories shared by those who knew her well, and it’s obvious how much she meant to everyone around her. I’m grateful for the legacy she left behind and the values she instilled in our family.

Nicholas Machen - August 29, 2024 at 03:34 PM

LM

“ Love, Angie & Keith Machen purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Helen Muriel Phipps.



Love, Angie & Keith Machen - August 29, 2024 at 03:15 PM

AN

“ Sweet Grandma. She was a shining example of faith, love and integrity. May her legacy live on in all of us. Happy heavenly homecoming.

Angie - August 29, 2024 at 02:48 PM