



Helen E. Schutz

April 20, 1936 - December 26, 2023

Helen E. Schutz, 87, of Wynnewood, PA died peacefully on December 26, and has rejoined her late husband Dr. Victor K. Schutz whom she had been married to for over 65 years. She is survived by her son, Douglas Schutz as well as her sisters-in-law Maria and Margaret, and her nieces and nephews Caroline (Joe), Pete (Amy), Susan (Todd), Geri (Mark), Mike (Wendi), Angelica (Brian), Heidi, and Chris (Belinda), and their children. In addition to her husband, she is predeceased by her mother Gladys, father George, mother-in-law Josephine, father-in-law Karl, and brothers-in-law Peter and Gary. She was a first-generation born American. Her father George immigrated from Finland, and her mother Gladys, the daughter of Finnish parents, immigrated from Canada.

Helen was born and raised in Detroit, Michigan and spent weekends at her family's gentleman's farm in nearby Windsor, Ontario. She was the first woman in her family to graduate from college, graduating from the University of Michigan with a bachelor's degree in education. She would later go on to earn her master's degree in education at Temple University. Helen was gifted in foreign languages and became a Spanish and French teacher in the Lower Merion School District for 40 years, mainly at Welsh Valley Middle School. There she consistently earned high reviews for her teaching. She had a way of connecting with her students including those who did not always behave or perform well in the classroom. In addition to Spanish and French, she also

knew Finnish and German.

Helen enjoyed teaching, traveling, history, cooking, and watching the Philadelphia Eagles and college football especially Michigan, Navy, and Temple. Her family always knew when a kicker missed a field goal or an extra point when she was watching :) She was a great planner and packer for family trips. In retirement, Helen enjoyed working as a volunteer for the Pennsylvania German Society/Women's Auxiliary in Philadelphia. There she led the Scholarships Committee which awarded scholarships to top students in the Philadelphia area studying German. There she also assisted in the kitchen helping prepare delicious German dishes.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday January 13th. at 10am at St. Colman's Catholic Church, 11 Simpson Rd., Ardmore, PA, where the family will receive guests from 9am to 9:45am.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made online to the Vic Schutz Scholarship Fund: Temple University - Giving to Temple University – by clicking the link below.

When the link opens, people should check off "Other" in the "Selected Designations" list and then write "Vic Schutz Scholarship Fund" in the "Other" box on the same page.

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Previous Events

The family will receive guests

JAN 13. 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM (ET)

St. Colman's Roman Catholic Church
11 Simpson Rd.
Ardmore, PA

Funeral Mass

JAN 13. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Helen E. Schutz.



January 11, 2024 at 11:49 AM



“ Saroj Biswas, Champa, Sarah and Li Bai planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Helen E. Schutz.

Saroj Biswas, Champa, Sarah and Li Bai - January 11, 2024 at 11:49 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen E. Schutz.



January 09, 2024 at 10:05 PM

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“ Sad to hear of Helen's passing. We volunteered together at the German Society and I always thought Helen and I worked very well together. I enjoyed hearing about Helen's teaching and travel experiences. Helen was always willing to adapt to the variety of tasks at hand and we always repeated to each other - 'we do whatever is needed to make this happen.' Preparing for and hosting events at the German Society was rewarding because every aspect was fun. I remember Helen with deep fondness and respect. My sincere condolences to Doug and family, Doris MacPherson

Doris MacPherson - January 08, 2024 at 07:08 PM

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Loved our times together, having lunch or going to Carlino's. She was very insightful and helped me make sense of the past. I am so glad I got to know her better.
Caroline...niece... potential daughter lol... It was our joke.

Caroline Filippini - January 11, 2024 at 10:54 AM