



## Helen Geneva Polen

January 13, 1926 - December 29, 2017

Helen Geneva Roberts Polen, age 91, of Laurel, passed away peacefully at Northview Care Center on Friday, December 29, 2017. Visitation is scheduled at Memory Chapel for Wednesday, January 3, 2018 from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. with Funeral Services to follow at 2:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Interment will be at Sunset Gardens. The Reverend Ken Regan, Mrs. Polen's son-in-law, will officiate.

Mrs. Polen, affectionately known as Granny, was born in Avera, Mississippi, on January 13, 1926 to William W. Roberts and Josephine Rigney Roberts. She met the love of her life, Bill Polen, in May of 1944 while he was stationed at Camp Van Dorn, and they married there in the chapel on July 3, 1944. Mr. Polen passed away on April 22, 2015, just before their 71st Wedding Anniversary.

In addition to her husband, parents and siblings, Mrs. Polen was preceded in death by a son Williams Donald Polen, Jr.; a grandson William Donald Polen, III; a granddaughter Julie Katherine Polen; and a great grandson Robert Blake Robison.

She is survived by daughter Sarah Polen Boody (Robert) of Calimesa, California; daughter-in-law Pam Burleson Polen of Hixon, Tennessee; son L. Ronald Polen (Ann) of Laurel; daughter Katrina Polen Regan (Ken) of Laurel;

and daughter Marcia Polen Easterwood of Laurel. In addition, she is survived by 15 Grandchildren: Tony Boody (Staci), Daniel Boody (Cindy), Amy Polen Stallings (Seth), Brad Jones (Hilary), Adam Polen, Andrew Polen, Mandy Polen Robison (Robert), Melody Polen Read (Grahame), Neil Polen (Dani), Heather Christian (Jason), Joel Miller (Shae), Jennifer Miller, Katelyn Regan, Matt Easterwood; and 21 Great Grandchildren: Natalie Boody, Jake Boody, Jayden Boody, Sadie Boody, Thatcher Boody, Gage Hildago, Luke Stallings, Reed Stallings, Sophie Polen, Addison Jones, Olivia Jones, Madison Robison, Morgan Robison, Meredith Robison, Emily Anne Read, Margaret Helen Read, Anna Kate Christian, Kara Christian, Louise Polen, Emma Miller, Judah Carr.

As the last of her generation, "Aunt Helen" was the matriarch of the family and was dearly loved by a host of nieces and nephews.

"Ms. Helen" is also survived by her Angel on Earth, Sabrina Jones; a special friend, Geneva Chisolm, and her "Other Daughter," Leisa Estes.

Granny loved The Atlanta Braves, The New Orleans Saints and the Mississippi State Bulldogs. She was a dedicated member of Heritage Heights Baptist Church and loved The Lord with all of her heart.

Pall bearers are Joel Miller, Matt Easterwood, Neil Polen, Grahame Read, Jason Christian and Brandon Easterwood. Honorary pall bearers are Adam Polen, Andrew Polen, Seth Stallings, Brad Jones, Robert Boody, Daniel Boody, Robert Robison and Judge Billy Joe Landrum.

Memory Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Gardens Cemetery

1206 Wansley Road  
Laurel, MS 39440

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 3.** 12:00 PM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home  
3100 Audubon Drive  
P. O. Box 674  
Laurel, MS 39440  
(601) 428-5235  
memorychapel@comcast.net  
<https://www.memorychapellaurel.com/>

## Service

**JAN 3.** 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

JB

“ *praying for you and your family at this time in your lives. class of '65.  
JUDY Bush.*

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**judy bush** - January 07, 2018 at 02:17 PM

LR

“ *A gracious kind and sweet lady who resided at NorthView Villa.  
Tried to be helpful and was sweet to the end....RIP..*

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**Linda Reeves** - January 03, 2018 at 03:34 PM

WL

“ *We are praying for your family. She passed 3 days after my dad,  
Rev. Harold C. Ishee. We are so happy that they both are walking  
the streets of paradise in perfect bodies and perfect glory with God.*

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**Wanda Robinson Lynch** - January 03, 2018 at 11:14 AM

DD

“ *Bill and Helen were a godsend to us when we moved here not  
knowing anyone. They treated my wife and I as her own children.  
We were blessed to have them in our lives.*

*David & Kathy Dill*

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**David Dill** - January 03, 2018 at 09:23 AM

SB

“ *prayers for your family, Sharon Barham*

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**Sharon Barham** - January 02, 2018 at 10:47 AM

JS

“ *She will be missed. Was a great lady.*

*Jim Smith*

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**jim smith** - January 01, 2018 at 08:10 PM

NM

“ *Once, long ago, when she was having a bad day (Yes even she) I tried to give her some words of encouragement including "you are my inspiration". She remained so for all the days of her life.*

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**Nita "Shorty" McInnis** - January 01, 2018 at 06:23 PM

NM

“ *Nita "Shorty" McInnis lit a candle in memory of Helen Geneva Polen*



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**Nita "Shorty" McInnis** - January 01, 2018 at 06:17 PM