



## Helen M. Kantz

January 1, 1945 - July 3, 2025

Helen M. Kantz, 80, of Laurel, MS died July 3rd, 2025. She was born Jan 1st, 1945 in Windber, Pennsylvania.

She was the daughter of the late Irvin A. Smolko and Stella D. (Pileski) Smolko. She was also preceded in death by her husband Anthony M. Kantz, and sisters Stella E. Grata, Margaret Stanislawczyk and Velma Cekada.

She is survived by her children, son Anthony "Tony" Kantz (Lori) and daughter Serena Hancock (Wesley), brother Irvin Smolko (Carol), and grandchildren Ethan Hancock, Emily Kantz and Brayden Hancock.

Helen loved spending time with her grandkids, baking, gardening and loved to crotchet. She was a wonderful mother and grandmother and her wisdom and knowledge will be greatly missed.

Helen's memorial service will be held at Immaculate Conception Church in Laurel on Monday, July 14th at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

To sign the online guest book, visit [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUL 14. 6:00 PM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
833 W Sixth Street  
Laurel, MS 39440

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Our sincere condolences in the loss of your mother and grandmother. It was always a pleasure to see Mrs. Kantz sitting with her daughter & grandsons at mass at Immaculate Conception.*  
~ *Richard & Nilda Witty*

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**Richard & Nilda Witty** - July 15, 2025 at 04:11 PM