



## Helen Ann Wilks

August 20, 1924 - November 28, 2014

Helen Ann Wilks, 90, of Romeoville, Illinois formerly of East Springfield died Friday, November 28, 2014. Born August 20, 1924 in Bergholz she was the daughter of the late John and Catherine Latiga Zak. Helen was a member of St. Joseph Parish in Amsterdam, the Catholic Women's Club, and an avid bowler in local leagues. She participated in tournaments nationwide. She also assisted the efforts of her husband in the business aspects of Wilks Chevrolet in Amsterdam. Helen is survived by three sons, Dan (Jenny) Wilks of Hudson, Oh; Greg (Patty) Wilks of Landenberg, Pa; and Gary (Teri) Wilks of Naperville, Ill.; four grandchildren, Christina, Ryan, Ted, and Sarah. She is also survived by a sister, Anna Marie "Honey" Covin of Flower Mound, TX. Helen was preceded in death by her husband Walter "Wedge" Wilks in December 2009; two brothers, Edward Zak and Stanley Zak; and a sister Frances Lewandowski. Mass of Christian Burial will be Friday, December 5, 2014 at 10:00 A.M. in St. Joseph Catholic Church at Amsterdam with Fr. Jack McCoy officiating. Visitation will be Thursday evening from 4-7 P.M. in the Dodds Funeral Home of Amsterdam and one hour prior to Mass at the church. In lieu of flowers, the family encourages that donations be designated to the Alzheimer's Association "Helen Wilks Memorial Fund" which can be found online at [alz.org](http://alz.org).

# Tribute Wall

VF

“ Dan, please accept our sincere condolences on the passing of your mother, Helen. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Sincerely, Vito and Judith Figliola

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**Vito Figliola** - January 29, 2015 at 01:07 PM

LL

“ Dan, Greg, and Gary, Our condolences on the loss of your mom. Aunt Helen was a blessing in many people's lives and she will be missed. I will always remember her kindness and love when we were all growing up. Hope all is well for all of you and your families. Take care. Linda and Buzz Lewandowski

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**Linda and Buzz Lewandowski** - January 29, 2015 at 01:07 PM

EP

“ Dan, Jenny, Christina, and Ryan: Please accept our heartfelt condolences at the passing of Dan's Mom. I know the feelings of the passing of one's mother or grandmother and pray that the love and peace of God will surround you at this time. Cherish the times you enjoyed together and talk about the fun and funny things you shared with Helen. We wish we could come to be with you during this time of loss. God Bless Ed, Sheila, and Bethany Peters

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**Ed Peters** - January 29, 2015 at 01:07 PM

JD

“ To the family of Ms. Helen Wilks please accept my sincere condolence. We all face the loss of a dear loved one. At times like this I like to turn to the bible for comfort. The scripture at 2 Cor. 1:2,3 calls Jehovah the God of all comfort. May his love surround you at this time. I look forward to the fulfillment of Isaiah 33:24 which tells us that a time is coming when no one will say I am sick. Also, Rev. 21:3, 4 when death will be no more. It is my wish that these scriptures provide you with comfort. For more encouraging words please visit [jw.org](http://jw.org) which will also provide ways to cope with grief. Again, I am sorry for your loss.

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**Jackie Dickerson** - January 29, 2015 at 01:07 PM