



Ellen Mary Hui

December 21, 2021

Ellen Mary Hui, 81, passed away on December 21, 2021, in Sarasota, FL.

Ellen, better known as Helen, was born in New York City to Ellen and John Fealey on August 3, 1940. She grew up in Washington Heights, NYC, where she married her neighborhood sweetheart, became a homemaker, had three children, and moved to a house in Staten Island all by her mid-twenties. A divorce in her late-twenties led to major life changes. A tireless and selfless sense of duty & obligation to family, along with a herculean work ethic, would have Helen move to an apartment in the Bronx where she would pursue an associate degree at Bronx Community College (toward becoming a registered nurse). At one point, Helen was simultaneously going back to college, waiting on tables for income, and single-handedly raising three young children in the city.

Ultimately, Helen became a registered nurse, and then worked at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital back in her old neighborhood of Washington Heights; she would eventually meet Dr. Robert Hui at the hospital. Helen and Bob would marry and become true partners in life. They retired to Sarasota, FL, and would remain devoted companions until Bob's passing in 2004.

Helen is preceded in death by her parents, Ellen and John; her siblings, Jack, Joseph, Theresa Becker; son-in-law Frank Lambertson; and her husband Bob.

She is survived by her children Tara Boucher-Lambertson, Kevin & Jennifer Boucher, Glenn & Debbie Boucher, and grandchildren Sean, Nolan, Cole, and Dylan.

Helen was a devoted wife and mother who was lovingly called "Nana" by her grandchildren. She was a compassionate woman who touched many lives and served as confidant and trusted advisor to many. She not only made many new friends in Sarasota, but also nurtured and maintained numerous relationships with extended family as well as friends from her old childhood neighborhood. She had a big heart, was truly loved by many, and will be sorely missed.

Helen thoroughly enjoyed international travel and was fortunate enough to see much of the world as an adult; she never had it easy but managed to live an incredibly rich and fulfilling life. As a retiree, she also enjoyed giving back to the Sarasota community via many volunteer stints over the years. One of her favorite local causes was Goodwill Manasota; memorial donations may be made to Goodwill Manasota: <https://experiencegoodwill.org/donate/ways-to-support/>

The family wishes to extend gratitude to Sarasota Tidewell Hospice home care support (nurse Chris Cook in particular) for support in her final days – during which, Helen was in her own home surrounded by many loved ones.

Visitation time will be held at Toale Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory, 40 N Orange Ave in Sarasota, FL, on January 8, 2022, at 10:30am. A brief memorial service will immediately follow at the same location starting at 11:30am.

A link for remote attendance will also be made available; Helen's preference would have been that folks take advantage of this remote capability rather than travel at this time. For those that do attend in person, full Covid vaccination is preferred, and masks & responsible social-distancing are required.

Events

JAN **Visitation** 10:30AM - 11:30AM

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Toale Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory - Colonial Chapel
40 N. Orange Avenue, Sarasota, FL, US, 34236

JAN **Memorial Service** 11:30AM

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Comments



“ Dear Tara, Glenn, Kevin and your families,

I'm so sad to hear of Helen's passing. She was a very special person to me growing up, as was Bob. I remember many evenings visiting together, eating amaretti cookies and drinking tea. My first flight on an airplane was to visit your mom and Bob in Sarasota. I came by myself and she took care of me during my spring break that year. I still have all our pictures! We took photos of someone bungee jumping at a fair and then as a joke, Helen and I told my mom it was me! I remember and cherish that trip and all those years after that we visited her in Florida in the spring. She was fun and loving and very generous and thoughtful. My thoughts are with you guys.
xoxoxo. Love, Kate O'Keefe

Kate O'Keefe - February 10 at 02:58 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Ellen Mary Hui.



January 07 at 02:12 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Kevin F Boucher - January 06 at 11:55 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ellen Mary Hui.



January 06 at 06:50 PM



“ Love's Tapestry was purchased for the family of Ellen Mary Hui.



January 06 at 07:02 AM



“ Seems my First Memory didnt post but i could easily fill up your Memory Board my dear dear friend with grit and enduring compassion. From the streets of ST Nicholas and Audubon Avenue and the Irish Catskills to the shores of Ireland we are sending you love. My abject regrets I could not eradicate the demon politician you railed against so passionately --God will I miss that! but I am confident you have your quiver aimed from Heaven and i will wave Hello every morning
Love Barbara Mason

barbara mason - January 05 at 02:14 PM



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AM - January 03 at 04:47 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ellen Mary Hui.



January 03 at 10:16 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ellen Mary Hui.



January 03 at 08:23 AM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Ellen Mary Hui.



December 30, 2021 at 10:49 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ellen Mary Hui.



December 30, 2021 at 10:32 AM



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maggie - December 29, 2021 at 07:17 PM



“ Helen your laughter will be missed ,the open , and at times cheeky smile . The grand fun Times we shared in Sarasota and your visit to my home in Dundas Canada , with our dear friend Linda. You Helen have touched my heart . I am truly blessed knowing you for a short 22 years.

Our world is more sad without you . You a unique, elegant thoughtful lady.

Rest In Peace my friend .

You will be greatly missed.

My condolences to your family. My wish being you find some comfort in the many happy memories you shared.

Maggie .

maggie - December 29, 2021 at 08:08 PM



“ Helen in full “ belly - blarney “ laughter

maggie - December 29, 2021 at 08:11 PM



“ "Kindred souls (we to you)

While we exist as imperfect wholes,
We search the world for kindred souls...
For us to sail, we sail together,
Sheltering each other in stormy weather
The storms shall come,
Poiseidon roars,
we drop our anchors,
And row our oars,
The chosen 4, for chosen by,
A light that hides behind the sky
Our light is love. Yes, love-this true,
from I and we, from me to you"

~Tobi Nabal

Tim

Tim Bonelli - January 02 at 11:05 AM



“ I feel so blessed to have had Helen in my life since we were kids in Washington Heights. She was always such a wonderful, caring and high spirited friend. I will always cherish the times that we spent together. She was like a sister to me and she will be forever in my

heart. I love her dearly.

Clare

Clare Garcia - January 03 at 09:10 AM