



## Helen Toporsh

March 11, 2019

(nee Wachowiak) Entered Eternal Life March 11, 2019 at the age of 85 years. Beloved and devoted wife of 60 years to Robert. Loving and caring mother of Karen (Bruce) Schumann, Peter and Terri (Chris Keidel). Affectionate and doting grandma to Kristine, Laura (Nathan), Amelia, Emily and Michael. Great grandma to Nadiya. Dear sister of Ben (Fran) and Rose (the late Jerry) Petrykowski. Devoted Aunt to Nancy, Eddy and the Weller girls. Further survived by other loving relatives and cherished friends.

Preceded in death by her parents Martin and Mary Wachowiak; brothers Bud (Mary) and Walter (Elaine); sisters Verna (Ray) and Phyllis (Leroy); nephew Tom and niece Sharon.

Helen's beautiful, caring spirit will be dearly missed.

Visitation Monday, March 18 at the Rozga Funeral Home (703 W. Lincoln Ave. Milwaukee 53215) from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM followed by Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 AM at The Basilica of St. Josaphat (601 W. Lincoln Ave. Milwaukee 53215). Private cremation to follow.

# Cemetery Details

**Private Cremation to follow**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

MAR 18. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Rozga Funeral & Cremation Services - Lincoln Village Chapel  
703 W Lincoln Ave  
Milwaukee, WI 53215  
(414) 671-5200  
<https://www.rozgafuneral.com/>

### Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

Basilica of St. Josaphat  
601 W. Lincoln Avenue  
Milwaukee, WI 53215

# Tribute Wall

MH

“ *My condolences to Uncle Bobby & family. Cherish the memories.  
Love & prayers*

MaryJoyce Hotelling - March 18, 2019 at 11:22 AM

SH

“ *Terry*

*So sorry for the loss of your mom. I know how devastating this loss  
is for you. You're in my thoughts and prayers.*

Stephanie Harling - March 17, 2019 at 11:32 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for  
the family of Helen Toporsh.*



March 16, 2019 at 01:18 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family  
of Helen Toporsh.*



March 15, 2019 at 04:16 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Helen Toporsh.*



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March 14, 2019 at 01:08 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen Toporsh.*



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March 14, 2019 at 10:14 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Helen Toporsh.*



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March 14, 2019 at 09:39 AM



“ Thank you for visiting Helen's Tribute page. What can you say about an Earth Angel? "Earth Angel" says it all, really. My mom was one of the most caring, loving, generous individuals. She LOVED, and she made sure to let you know YOU WERE LOVED.

*Mom was a story teller, remembering minute details of every situation. Her love of cooking and baking started at a young age, winning the hearts of many through her delicious meals. Her butter cream frosting and decorative cakes were second to none. She shared her love of old movies and musicals with her family, often knowing everything about the actors, directors, and producers.*

*Mom started working at a young age, retiring from Touche Ross as a Statistical Typist and they're best Proofreader ever. I remember a story she told me about a huge firm they worked on. "They called the big wigs in from NY to work on their financial audit. They didn't think we could handle it. Well, I got the final draft, and what do I see on the cover!? They misspelled the company name - throughout the entire financial statement, which was hundreds of pages long! Ha! Big wigs! I saved the day!!" Yes, my mom was incredible in so many ways!*

*She worked full-time, yet there was a five course meal on the table almost nightly, clothes perfectly cleaned and pressed, our family well taken care of, and very much loved. She was the true essence of Wonder Woman! I told her that as I got older, and being a mother myself - I would tell her that I didn't know how she juggled all of that and how wonderful of a mother and provider she was.*

*She was the rock of our family, the heart of our home. She was a "second mom and grandma" to many; including Kim Ward, Cierra and Ray Garcia, Brandon Efta, Melanie Madden, and Brittany Cuthbert. Our friends would all hang out at our house and come over after school just to eat her leftovers! She always made sure you were well fed! Mom would do anything for anyone, a woman with a heart of gold, loved by all who knew her.*

*I am incredibly grateful that God blessed me with such an amazing mother! She taught us to love fiercely, to help others in need, to never judge others, and to always be polite and show respect (and never wear mismatched socks or dirty underwear, lol). She will be dearly missed. The world was a better, brighter place with her in it.*

*Please continue to keep us in your prayers, especially my dad, he is heartbroken. They knew each other for nearly 80 years, married 60 of those years. Inseparable through most of that time. My mom did nearly everything for him, but dad always showed his appreciation and expressed his love many times throughout each and every day. They were an old-fashioned couple, guided by the greatest morals and values and loved each other deeply.*

*I love you mom, with all of my heart and soul. Thank you for everything!*

*Love, Terri (your precious precious)*

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**Theresa Toporsh** - March 14, 2019 at 08:19 AM

DO

*This was so beautiful what you wrote. It is so hard to lose a mom especially when everyone says they are in a better place. Easy to say hard to accept. Memories are charitable. Your dad, you and your family are in my prayers. She is now an angel in heaven as she was on earth. Love and Sympathy to all,  
Donna Hurd Don & Anita Iwinski daughter.*

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**Donna** - March 14, 2019 at 11:54 AM

KW

*Terri that was such a perfect description of your mother, my second mom. Definitely was an angel of earth no other words can describe how beautiful of a soul she was. May we be lucky now that she is our angel from heaven to help guide us on our journeys. Love you Terri , thanks for sharing the best mother ever!!*

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**Kim-marie Ward** - March 14, 2019 at 12:26 PM



*Thank you, Donna and Kim and to everyone who has ordered flowers and have been checking in and taking care of us. All of your love and prayers are so greatly appreciated! Much love to you all! Love, Terri*

**Theresa Toporsh** - March 15, 2019 at 10:59 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Helen Toporsh.*



March 14, 2019 at 07:39 AM