

Helen Evans McKnight

April 1, 1922 – August 10, 2011

Helen Elizabeth McKnight, 89 of North East, MD, passed peacefully in her sleep and went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, August 10, 2011.

She was born in Hinton, WV, on April 1, 1922. Her dad Clarence worked as an engineer for the C & O Railroad and her mother Mary was a homemaker.

After being the first in her family to graduate high school, Helen came to Cecil County to find work during World War II. She and her sisters worked at munitions plants in Elkton. After that she went on to have a very successful career as a waitress working at both the "original" Elkton Diner and the Swiss Inn. She finished her working career with 22 years at the Elkton Housing Authority, reluctantly retiring at the age of 80.

Helen loved to care for people; especially the elderly and her time at the Housing Authority gave her some of her fondest memories. Helen loved reading her Bible and devotions every morning, and watching her 'Programs' on TV. She also had a deep and abiding love for chocolate cake, anything red and watching the snow fall. She is survived by her ex-husband; Ralph McKnight, who although divorced still cared for her deeply; her son Robert and his wife Virginia; and her daughter and primary caregiver, Linda Sue Hutchison and her husband Jim. Helen was also survived by her loving sister Edith Nell Husfelt and her brother Eddy Evans. She had 6 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren who loved her and will miss their "Gran-Helen"; and many loving nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her "baby" (son) Ralph McKnight; her brothers, Clarence (Junior) and Bobby; and her sisters, Hazel, Mabel and Mary.

Helen attended Glorious Presence Church in Elkton and her Pastor, Rev. Curtis Leins will conduct a memorial service on Thursday, August 18, 2011 at 7:00 PM at Crouch Funeral Home, P.A., 127 South Main Street, North East, MD, where visitation for family and friends will begin at 6:00 PM.

Donations may be made in Helen's memory to: Elkton Housing Authority, in care of the funeral home.