



## Helen LaVesta (Alexander) Henry

January 17, 1921 - September 20, 2009

Helen LaVesta (Alexander) Henry was born January 17, 1921 in Parker, Kansas. She was the eighth of nine children born to the union of the late George W. and Lena May (Walthall) Alexander.

Hedy, as she was affectionately known, went home to be with her Lord the morning of September 20, 2009 at her home, surrounded by her loving neighbors and friends. Hedy attained the age of 88 years, 8 months and 3 days.

Hedy attended elementary school in Parker and graduated from Parker Rural High School in 1939. She attended Fort Hays State College and completed her Bachelor of Arts degree from Baker University in Baldwin City, Kansas. In 1941, she signed a contract with the Bonner Springs, Kansas school district, to teach Kindergarten at McDaniel School. This commitment lasted for twenty-five years. Hedy retired in May, 1966.

On November 4, 1965, Hedy was united in marriage with James F. Henry of Cuba, Missouri. Jim preceded her in death on September 21, 1994.

In June, 1966, Hedy and Jim moved to Missouri. Jim, a retired Air Force veteran, began working at Ft. Leonard Wood. They were the first to build a home at Old Farm Estates at Waynesville, where they resided until the Lord

called each of them home. In her spare time, Hedy enjoyed collecting frogs and displaying them in her home.

Hedy and Jim loved the Lord and were active members of the Waynesville Church of the Nazarene. Hedy was also a life time member of the Eastern Star.

Hedy was dearly loved and will be very sadly missed by all who knew her. She leaves to cherish her memory, one brother: Elmo W. Alexander of Lodi, California, her very good friend since childhood: Jean Rude of Portland, Oregon, along with several nieces, nephews, neighbors and friends.

In addition to her husband and her parents, Hedy was preceded by seven siblings, all residents of Kansas: Harold J., Harry J., Kenneth W. and Otto L. Alexander and Albert C. Warbritton, Flossie A. Sullins and Velma E. Cuddy.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 A.M. Wednesday, September 23, 2009 in the Waynesville Church of the Nazarene with Rev. Jason Stevens and Rev. Richard Bushey officiating. Pianist Sharon Bushey played "Ivory Palaces" and accompanied the congregation as they sang "Sweet By and By". Sharon and Richard Bushey sang "True Love" and Mr. Bushey also sang "Then I Met the Master". Soloist Lori Jo Bushey sang "The Lord's Prayer". Serving as escorts were Daniel (Joe) Breidenbaugh, Wayne Barnhart, Leroy Lofton, Frank Hollingshead, Dick Clayton and Vance Ewing.

Interment was held at 2:30 P.M. Wednesday, September 23, 2009 in the Ozark Memorial Gardens Cemetery of Rolla, Missouri. Services were under the direction of Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Hedy Henry to the Waynesville Church of the Nazarene and may be left at the funeral home.



# Previous Events

## Service

SEP **23**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Waynesville Church of the Nazarene  
25850 Rocky Mount Lane  
Waynesville, MO

# Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Helen LaVesta (Alexander) Henry*



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**Memorial Chapels and Crematory** - September 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Helen LaVesta (Alexander) Henry*

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January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *I only met Hedy once, at her last birthday. In that short time, I knew I had met a loving, caring christian woman. I wish I could have gotten to know her better. Me, and the rest of the church, will miss you Hedy.##imported-begin##Randall Helm##imported-end##*

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September 23, 2009 at 06:16 PM



“ *Hedy was a beautiful person. We loved her giving spirit and her wonderful sense of humor. She and Jim were a sweet couple who loved God, family and friends. She will be missed by all who knew her.##imported-begin##Bill and Kathy Hess##imported-end##*

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September 23, 2009 at 03:13 AM



“ Hedy was always like family to us. She adopted our children and became a part of our extended family many years ago. We loved her as family and shared many wonderful memories together. We will always cherish the many fond memories and good times shared. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family. May the Lord's love sustain us all in this time of sadness.

Ron and Caroline Fitzwater,  
Carrie, Luke and Josh##imported-begin##Caroline  
Fitzwater##imported-end##

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September 22, 2009 at 06:26 PM



“ I am sorry for your loss. I knew Hedy many years ago when I went to the Nazarene Church in Waynesville. She had such a beautiful spirit and always made me feel very welcome. God has another angel at his home.

May God bless and comfort you at this time.##imported-  
begin##Karen Jenkins##imported-end##

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September 22, 2009 at 12:21 PM



“ *Billy & Darla*

*Richard and I are so sorry for your loss.  
Hedy was such a joy to be around I am so glad that I was one of her  
best girls I will miss her so much.. Im so thankful that you two gave  
her the best care and the family love she so deserved, she loved  
you both so much you were her world as she was yours...Thank you  
for all your loving care and devotion that you gave her. Im so happy  
she was a part of our family..*

*Love Sheri###imported-begin##Sheri Dillon###imported-end##*

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September 21, 2009 at 11:32 PM



“ *HEDDY WAS A BEAUTIFUL PERSON AND A GOOD CHRISTIAN  
WOMAN. SHE WILL REALLY BE MISSED BY THIS FAMILY BUT  
IT IS GOOD TO KNOW SHE IS IN HEAVEN WITH JAMES, THE  
LOVE OF HER LIFE. WE WILL MISS HER###imported-  
begin##LEROY AND LOIS###imported-end##*

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September 21, 2009 at 06:56 AM