



Helen Margaret Dornak

November 1, 1928 - October 23, 2021

Helen Margaret Dornak was called to her heavenly home on Saturday, October 23, 2021 the age of 92. She was born November 1, 1928 to the late James & Mary Naiser Dluhos in Taiton, Texas. The third of three children, she was raised on the family farm in Taiton. Helen graduated from El Campo High School in 1946 and attended Texas State Teachers College in San Marcos, Texas.

On November 24, 1947, Helen married Fred Paul Dornak. They were blessed with six children. Together they owned and operated Emil's Place for over 50 years. Helen had a love for cooking and baking for her family, making sure Sunday lunch was always on the table for whomever could join her. She was a faithful member of St Philip the Apostle Catholic Church, Catholic Daughters Court #1374, and lifetime member of the KJZT.

Helen was preceded in death by her husband of 52 years, her parents, brothers Silvin Dluhos and Alphonse Dluhos, and granddaughter Cassandra Dornak.

She is survived by her children: Preston Dornak (Mary Jane), Janice Riedel (Milton), Bruce Dornak (Cindy), Philip Dornak (Brenda), Mary Kay Cook (Robby), and Joe Ray Dornak (Dawn).

Helen is also survived by 10 grandchildren, Stacie Williamson (Gary), Curtis Dornak, Cody Riedel (Kimberly), Courtney Schiurring (Chriss), Amanda Daniel, Kandice Alcalais, Scott Dornak, Jenna Crosby (Justin), Taylor Cook (Addie), and Jordan Heard (Kyle).

Helen is also survived by 19 great-grandchildren, Tyler & Ryan Williamson, Elizabeth Helen, Wesley, Madelyn, Cody & Kyle Riedel, Sophie & Sawyer Schiurring, Steven Tesch, Kasey & Jessica Alcalais, Destinie Earl, Payton Dornak, Carson, Kate, and Cooper Crosby, Quinn & Fair Cook, and two great-great grandchildren, Isaac Torres and Willow Faupel-Alcalais.

She is also survived by her sisters-in-law, Gayla Dluhos and Mary Ann Dluhos and a host of nieces and nephews.

There will be a visitation at Triska Funeral Home on Tuesday, October 26, 2021 from 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm. A CDA rosary will be recited on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at 9:30 am followed by the Funeral Mass at 10am at St Philip the Apostle Catholic Church. Interment to follow at St. John's Catholic Cemetery, New Taiton, Texas.

Pallbearers will be grandsons and grandsons-in-law: Taylor Cook, Justin Crosby, Curtis Dornak, Scott Dornak, Kyle Heard, Cody Riedel, Chriss Schiurring, and Gary Williamson.

The family wishes to express their appreciation to the Meridian Assisted Living, Arbor Hills Rehab & Healthcare Center, and Houston Hospice for their compassionate care of our Mother.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Helen's honor may be made to: St. Philip's Catholic School, 302 W. Church St., El Campo, Texas, 77437 or St. John's Catholic Church, 1843 Co Rd 469, El Campo, Texas.

The time has come for my departure. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race. I have kept the faith. Timothy 4:6-7

Condolences may be shared with the family at triskafuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

St. John Catholic Cemetery

1843 CR 469
El Campo, TX 77437

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **26**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Triska Funeral Home
612 Merchant Street
El Campo, TX 77437-3440
(979) 543-3681
triskafh@sbcglobal.net

Rosary

OCT **27**. 9:30 AM (CT)

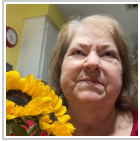
St. Phillips Catholic Church
304 W Church St
El Campo, TX 77437
(979) 543-3770

Funeral Mass

OCT **27**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Phillips Catholic Church
304 W Church St
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Tribute Wall



“ Elaine Cook lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak



Elaine Cook - October 27, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ With deepest sympathy! Our thoughts and prayers are with the whole family. Such a sweet lady, I know she will be greatly missed.
Ben and Lena Tupa

Lena Tupa - October 26, 2021 at 11:38 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen Margaret Dornak.



October 26, 2021 at 07:09 PM



“ Ray & Linda Jaksch lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak



Ray & Linda Jaksch - October 26, 2021 at 05:56 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Helen Margaret Dornak.*



October 26, 2021 at 03:25 PM



“ *My Sweet Lady. I remember chasing her all over HEB just to try to find her famous chili recipe, she would just laugh and would never give me her recipe. Every time I cook chili I try to cook it like her, but can't quit get that heavenly style that she had. I guess God must've wanted some of her chili she's up there cooking for Him now. God Bless her and may the perputual light shine upon her.*

Melody Kopecky - October 26, 2021 at 12:00 PM



“ *Mrs. Dornak, my husband & I remember your wonderful burgers u cooked up for your customers for years. We loved visiting with u both. Love to u as u live on in Our Lord's presence! ❤️❤️*



Becky Swanson - October 26, 2021 at 10:20 AM



“ *Kathryn Krpec lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



kathryn krpec - October 26, 2021 at 08:43 AM



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



October 26, 2021 at 08:32 AM



“ *Linda Garcia lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



linda garcia - October 26, 2021 at 08:22 AM



“ *Lu Matzke lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



lu matzke - October 26, 2021 at 04:51 AM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Helen Margaret Dornak.*



October 25, 2021 at 11:56 PM

SC

“ Sandra Cranek sent a virtual gift in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak



Sandra Cranek - October 25, 2021 at 10:54 PM



“ Pam L Vesely lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak



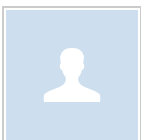
Pam L Vesely - October 25, 2021 at 10:09 PM

RN

“ Rudy & Dorothy Naiser lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak



Rudy & Dorothy Naiser - October 25, 2021 at 07:40 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen Margaret Dornak.



October 25, 2021 at 07:39 PM

CR

“ *Charles Ruzicka lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



Charles Ruzicka - October 25, 2021 at 07:12 PM

RP

“ *So sorry to hear this, she was so sweet, always a smile on her face! Our sincere sympathies to the family! Daniel and Rose Pasak*

Rose Pasak - October 25, 2021 at 06:11 PM

LC

“ *Sending thoughts and prayers. Linda and Leroy Condel*



Linda and Leroy Condel - October 25, 2021 at 04:22 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Helen Margaret Dornak.*



October 25, 2021 at 03:51 PM

DN

“ *Debbie Nelson lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



Debbie Nelson - October 25, 2021 at 03:49 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Helen Margaret Dornak.*



October 25, 2021 at 03:39 PM

RC

“ *Robert Becky Chomout lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



Robert Becky Chomout - October 25, 2021 at 03:24 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Helen Margaret Dornak.*



October 25, 2021 at 02:34 PM

PD

“ *Patricia Dybala lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



Patricia Dybala - October 25, 2021 at 02:27 PM

MF

“ *Margie Buentello & family purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Helen Margaret Dornak.*



Margie Buentello & family - October 25, 2021 at 02:16 PM

AP

“ *May you rest in peace Mrs. Dornak. I will never forget the best burger in town, your Emil's burger! You were the sweetest lady, prayers for the family, she will be dearly missed.*

AJ & Susie Priesmeyer - October 25, 2021 at 02:04 PM

SC

“ *Scott, Kendra & Kambree Charbula lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



Scott, Kendra & Kambree Charbula - October 25, 2021 at 01:43 PM

MZ

“ *Marc and Patty Zapalac purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Helen Margaret Dornak.*



Marc and Patty Zapalac - October 25, 2021 at 01:04 PM

VS

“ *Janice, so very sorry on the loss of your dear mother. May she Rest In Peace and God's comfort and peace be with you and your family.*
Victoria Saxe



Victoria Saxe - October 25, 2021 at 12:52 PM

DD

“ *Diane Dluhos lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



Diane Dluhos - October 25, 2021 at 12:45 PM

JF

“ *Julie Strnadel & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



Julie Strnadel & Family - October 25, 2021 at 12:12 PM

KK

“ *Kathy Koudela lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



Kathy Koudela - October 25, 2021 at 12:10 PM

RM

“ *Rose Ann Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



Rose Ann Mitchell - October 25, 2021 at 12:08 PM

JL

“ *Jessica Labay lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



Jessica Labay - October 25, 2021 at 12:02 PM

JS

“ *Jeraldine Socha lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



jeraldine socha - October 25, 2021 at 11:59 AM

SS

“ *Sandra Stary lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



Sandra Stary - October 25, 2021 at 11:49 AM

HD

“ *Helen Dolezal lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*



Helen Dolezal - October 25, 2021 at 11:39 AM

JS

“ *Judy & Allen Sefcik lit a candle in memory of Helen Margaret Dornak*

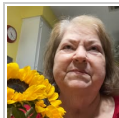


Judy & Allen Sefcik - October 25, 2021 at 11:15 AM

JU

Rest in peace Aunt Helen!

Judy - October 25, 2021 at 11:16 AM



To all of the Dornak family, we send our prayers of Sympathy

Elaine Cook - October 27, 2021 at 12:00 AM