



Helen Baker

May 22, 2024

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Helen Baker at 96 years of age, after several months of struggling with a slow decline due to frailty. She took her last breath peacefully on May 22, 2024 in her room at Cummer Lodge Long Term Care home.

She was born on July 22nd, 1927 in Winnipeg, Manitoba to Dmytro Pawuk and Agnieszka Nazimek. She was the youngest sibling of 5. She had four brothers, Alec, Bill, John and Paul. Years after her father passed away, her mother and brothers all moved to Toronto around 1940.

She was married to her first husband, Peter Stevenson for 17 years and her second husband, Samuel Francis Baker for 33 years. She is survived by her daughter, Lesley Starr Baker.

Helen happily worked as a secretary in a law firm for 29 years. After her daughter turned 3 she decided to be a stay at home mom. Her mother, Agnieszka (Agnes) moved into the family home in 1975 and it was then that Helen decided to dedicate her life to being a full-time carer, right up to her mother's passing in 1998.

Anyone that knew Helen knew she loved to sing, and sing she did.....always and everywhere! When she was younger she sang, danced and played violin and mandolin in the music and dance ensembles of the AUUC (Association of United Ukrainian Canadians) in Toronto, primarily at the Shevchenko Hall. In her later years she continued to participate at the Shevchenko Hall singing in the Hahilka choir for years until she had a stroke in 2010 which

rendered her wheelchair bound.

Helen never stopped singing....in fact she sang right up to the last week before she passed.

Helen cared deeply for others and she had a beautiful smile. Her and her lovely voice will be sadly missed.

A little celebration of her life will take place on Thursday May 30th at 2pm at Cummer Lodge Long Term Care, 205 Cummer Ave., North York, ON M2M 2E8.

Respecting Helen's wishes, cremation has taken place and her ashes will be scattered later this year.

Tribute Wall

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“ <https://youtu.be/6p5560qebOI?si=CVZRLzdifaL4fIW4>

Lesley Baker - June 01, 2024 at 10:25 PM

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“ Lesley Baker lit a candle in memory of Helen Baker



Lesley Baker - June 01, 2024 at 10:23 PM

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“ I am Elissa Pauk and my Auntie Hellen was my dad's sister and she treated me like gold. I loved watching her performance on stage and never missed her performance she also did Ukrainian dancing and taught me very much I loved her and will miss her and she was beautiful. good bye my Auntie Hellen I love you

Elissa Moreby - May 27, 2024 at 12:28 PM

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Thanks Elissa 🙏❤️

Lesley Baker - June 01, 2024 at 10:21 PM