



## Helen Eubanks Whaley

September 20, 1929 - October 16, 2021

Helen Eubanks Whaley, 92, passed away peacefully on October 16, 2021, in Palm Harbor, Florida..

Helen was born in Wakulla County on September 20, 1929, to Ross and Verdie Belle (Gray) Eubanks. She graduated from Sopchoppy High School in 1947 and enjoyed working in Tallahassee before marrying William E. Whaley on June 10, 1950. After living in Virginia during Willie's military service and Gainesville while he earned his degree, they returned to Wakulla to raise their family. When her youngest child started elementary school, Helen went back to school too. After graduating from Florida State University in 1971, Helen began her career as a teacher at Wakulla High School where she taught business education, sponsored many senior classes, and accompanied students on senior trips and to FBLA conventions. After retiring in 1991, Helen and Willie enjoyed traveling, tending their garden and animals, and being grandparents. After his death in 1999, Helen continued to enjoy traveling with her sister, Annette, and good friends from her church and community.

Throughout her life, Helen was a devout Christian and involved member of her church and community. Helen's favorite place was with her loving family and many close friends, a smile on her face, her hair 'did', wearing the perfect outfit, and enjoying a good meal with lots of laughter and hugs for everyone in attendance. She will be missed and fondly remembered by everyone who

loved her.

Pre-deceased by her parents, Verdie and Ross Eubanks; her husband, Willie; her son, Emory; her daughter, Debbie; her brother, Norris; and her sister, Annette, Helen is survived by her children, Stan, Denise Crabtree, and Jack Hawkins (Maribel); her grandchildren, Jacob (Amanda) and Spencer Crabtree and Hayden and Taylor Hawkins; her brother, Roger (Judy) Eubanks, and brother-in-law, Wyatt Jackson; and many beloved cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends who were family.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, October 23, 2021, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. at Sopchoppy Southern Baptist Church, with a celebration of Helen's life beginning after visitation. Helen will be buried at Lake Ellen Baptist Cemetery in Medart following the service.

Helen was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease in 2016; in lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Alzheimer's Association. ([alz.org](http://alz.org))

David Conn and Kimberly Crum with Bevis Funeral Home of Crawfordville are assisting the family with arrangements. (850-926-3333, [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com))

# Cemetery Details

## Lake Ellen Baptist Church Cemetery

4495 Crawfordville Hwy.  
Crawfordville, FL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **23**. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Sopchoppy Southern Baptist Church  
117 Curtis Mill Rd.  
Sopchoppy, FL 32358

## Celebration of Life

OCT **23**. 2:30 PM (ET)

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117 Curtis Mill Rd.  
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# Tribute Wall

TB

“ *Teresa Barksdale lit a candle in memory of Helen Eubanks Whaley*



Teresa Barksdale - November 04, 2021 at 12:34 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Helen Eubanks Whaley.*



October 22, 2021 at 09:08 AM

BK

“ *Condolences to the family. Mrs. Whaley was a very beautiful spirited lady. I had the pleasure of her being my business teacher at Wakulla High. Thanks to her kindness, I was able to obtain my first state of Florida job through her kind words of recommendations to my supervisor. Prayers to the family.*



Barbara King - October 21, 2021 at 04:19 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Helen Eubanks Whaley.*



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October 21, 2021 at 09:03 AM



“ *Family of Wyatt & Annette Jackson purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Helen Eubanks Whaley.*



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**Family of Wyatt & Annette Jackson** - October 20, 2021 at 11:02 PM



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



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October 20, 2021 at 07:45 PM



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



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October 20, 2021 at 10:03 AM

BM

“ All the Hammons girls loved Ms. Whaley❤️ Prayers to the family.

Brenda Mueller - October 18, 2021 at 08:37 PM

FM

“ What a sweet and beautiful lady, she will always be remembered. Our days worshipping at Sopchoppy Southern Baptist Church together was a blessing. We loved her and we knew that she loved us. We will cherish our memories of her.

Fraiser and Mec Martin - October 18, 2021 at 06:56 PM

AH

“ Such a sweet, beautiful Christian lady and wonderful teacher. Always smiling, We will miss seeing her. Deepest sympathy to her family.

Ann Henderson - October 18, 2021 at 01:39 PM