



Helen Patricia Bucher

October 22, 1934 - June 26, 2021

Dateline: Grafton, IL

Helen Patricia Bucher (nee Bott), 86, died at 10:19 a.m. on Saturday, June 26, 2021, at Alton Memorial Hospital due to complications from COVID. She was born in Alton on October 22, 1934, the daughter of the late Alvin (Bud) Charles and Leona (Manns) Bott. Helen worked as a medical secretary for many years and was a member of Holy Ghost Catholic Church in Jerseyville. She married Donald “Diz” Bucher on August 17, 1957, at St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Alton, and he preceded her in death on May 10, 1996. She is survived by five daughters; Theresa Bucher of Boston, MA, Martha Morse (Allan) of Godfrey, Kathy Bucher (Matt Vogel) of Houston, TX, Mary Burklund (Brent) of Godfrey and Gretchen Bell (Steve) of Grafton. She was a beloved grandmother to twelve grandchildren: Jessica Roddenberry, Nicole Popma (Jason Brownrigg), Christopher Popma (Gillian Costa), Rebecca Popma, Patrick Morse (Tabitha), Bryan Morse (Amelia Mierzwa), Michael Vogel, Aidan Vogel, Nathan Burklund (Ana), Brandon Burklund, MacKenzie Bell, and Justin Bell; and five great-grandchildren: Dylan Morse, Eloise Roddenberry, Rowan Roddenberry, Wilder Morse and Savannah Morse. She is also survived by six siblings: Mike Bott (Katie), Tom Bott (Mary Ann), Nan Stork (Jack), Babs Schroeder (Jack), Mary Noble (Larry), and David Bott.

She was known and loved for her sense of humor and warmth; she was the

consummate hostess, making every person who entered her home feel welcome. Helen was an avid knitter and crocheter, gifting treasured personalized stockings and afghans to family and friends. She also loved to bake pies and prepare food for her family. Helen's apple pie is legendary. She was a past President of the Women's Auxillary at Alton-Wood River Sportsman Club, where she donated countless hours serving at banquets and weddings.

Visitation will be from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 29, 2021, at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. The Rosary will be said at 7 pm. A mass of Christian burial will be at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 30, 2021, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Alton. Burial will be at St. Patrick's Cemetery in Godfrey. Father Hyland Smith will officiate. Memorials may be made to the Jersey County Health Department through Venmo to Jersey county-Health Department. Additional information and online guest book may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Patrick's Cemetery

2801 Greenwood Lane
Godfrey, IL 62035

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **29**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Gent Funeral Home & Cremation Services
2409 State Street
Alton, IL 62002
(618) 466-5544
<https://www.gentfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Mass

JUN **30**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
4th and Henry Street
Alton, IL 62002

Tribute Wall



“ *Helen Patricia Bucher*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *Helen Patricia Bucher*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Helen Patricia Bucher.*



July 01, 2021 at 08:58 AM



“ *Ann Weigler lit a candle in memory of Helen Patricia Bucher*



Ann Weigler - June 30, 2021 at 06:18 AM



“ *My sincere condolences to the family of Helen. We were good friends many years ago in the Alton area. My husband Joe and Diz were good friends before I met them. She was a lovely person, always a dear, and I know you will miss her a lot.*

Ann Weigler - June 30, 2021 at 06:18 AM

KB

We sure remember you! Thank you for this beautiful message....we are grateful. 🙏❤️

Kathleen Bucher - July 04, 2021 at 05:17 AM

KN

“ I had the pleasure and opportunity to share a trip with Helen and Martha to Italy. I will never forget her laugh, quick smile, strength, and support for others. I am so glad I have this special memory maker, that included Helen. She was vibrant, joyful, and a trooper. Helen will be missed by many because she was such a blessing. I pray for God's Peace, Love and Gentle Care be felt by all of her family and friends at this time. May we all remember Helen's love, smile, and laughter.

Karen Noble-Anderson - June 29, 2021 at 10:08 PM

KB

Thank you for sharing this beautiful remembrance. 🙏❤️

Kathleen Bucher - July 04, 2021 at 05:14 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen Patricia Bucher.



June 29, 2021 at 08:16 PM

TF

“ *The Nigro and Lambert Families purchased the Y our Light Shines for the family of Helen Patricia Bucher.*



The Nigro and Lambert Families - June 29, 2021 at 04:07 PM

KA

“ *May your family be comforted by the outpouring of love surrounding you.*



Kate - June 29, 2021 at 10:42 AM

EL

“ *My heartfelt Condolences.*

Ellen(Roemer)Fuhler - June 29, 2021 at 05:36 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Helen Patricia Bucher.*



June 29, 2021 at 01:17 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Helen Patricia Bucher.



June 28, 2021 at 09:41 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Helen Patricia Bucher.



June 28, 2021 at 05:53 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Helen Patricia Bucher.



June 28, 2021 at 03:58 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Helen Patricia Bucher.



June 28, 2021 at 02:56 PM

RF

“ Raymond Stottler, Marcia Smith and families purchased the A Full Life for the family of Helen Patricia Bucher.



Raymond Stottler, Marcia Smith and families - June 28, 2021
at 01:22 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Helen Patricia Bucher.



June 28, 2021 at 12:04 PM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Helen Patricia Bucher.



June 28, 2021 at 11:23 AM

PH

“ Precious and Harold purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Helen Patricia Bucher.



Precious and Harold - June 28, 2021 at 10:16 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Helen Patricia Bucher.



June 28, 2021 at 08:47 AM