



## Helen Sagendorph

March 28, 1927 - July 27, 2012

Helen Sagendorph, 85, a lifelong Columbia County resident, passed away peacefully on Friday, July 27, 2012 at Whittier Skilled Nursing Center in Ghent.

Born in Hudson, she was the daughter of the late Emma Fleaman Miller and William Miller.

She was a resident of Hudson for 60 years and a life member of Christ Church Episcopal, Hudson. Helen was employed at Key Bank until her retirement in 1985. She also worked part time for Dr. Henry Little prior to joining the staff at Key Bank.

Surviving are her two sons and daughters-in-law, David and Carol Sagendorph of Greenport and Port St. Lucie, Florida, and Gregg and Julie Sagendorph of Selkirk. Helen was blessed with many loving grandchildren, great grandchildren, and a great great grandchild: Gregg Sagendorph, Jr. and wife, MaryEllen of Delmar, and their children, Tyler, Emily, and Ashley; Cory Sagendorph and wife, Danielle of Selkirk, and their children, Kimberly, Rebecca, and Cody; Scott Sagendorph and wife, Jessica of Greenport, and their son Cameron; Briana Tice and husband Jason of Slingerlands; Pamela DiStefano and husband Peter of Catskill, and their children Joseph and Caronia; Brenda Carver of Albany and her daughter Christa Whitbeck and

granddaughter Paisley; Christopher Barrows and wife Karin of Denver, Colorado and their daughter, Marley Jane; Brenton McNeil of Rochester; Meredith Austin and husband Bud of Valatie and their daughter Emerson, and Shanna McNeil of Albany.

Helen is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Mrs. Sagendorph was predeceased by her husband of 43 years, Winfield Sagendorph, sisters Margaret May and Emma Frederick, and brother William Miller.

Helen served on the Altar Guild at Christ Church for many years, as well as on many of their other committees. She was a member of the Hudson Elks Ladies Auxiliary, the Claverack Seniors, The Trippers Club, and the Apple Valley Square Dance Group.

Calling hours are 4 -7 pm Sunday at the Bates & Anderson - Redmond & Keeler Funeral Home.

The funeral mass will be held at 10 am Monday at Christ Church Episcopal with interment to follow at Cedar Park Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, Helen wished any donations in her memory to be made to Christ Church Episcopal, PO Box 411, Hudson, NY, 12534.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *David, Gregg and family:  
With deepest sympathy in the loss of your mom. Remembering our  
days at Key Bank.*

*Phyllis (Torchia) Brabender*

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**Phyllis Torchia Brabender** - August 21, 2012 at 01:51 PM

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“ *Joan Lezette-Miller lit a candle in memory of  
Helen Sagendorph*



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**Joan Lezette-Miller** - July 27, 2012 at 06:44 PM

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*Helen and family were friendly neighbors when they lived on Aitken Ave. I remember her also from the beauty parlor where she had her hair done and I worked at the time. I remember her smile and wit. What a nice gal!*

*The Rose Still Grows Beyond the Wall  
Near a shady wall a rose once grew,  
Budded and blossomed in God's free light:  
Watered and fed by morning dew,  
Shedding its sweetness day and night.  
As it grew and blossomed fair and tall,  
Slowly rising to loftier height,  
It came to a crevice in the wall,  
Through which there shone a beam of light.  
Onward it crept with added strength  
With never a thought of fear or pride,  
It followed the light through the crevice length,  
And unfolded itself on the other side.  
The light, the dew, the broadening view  
Were found the same as they were before.  
And it lost itself in beauties new.  
Breathing its fragrance more and more.  
Shall claim of death cause us to grieve,  
And make our courage faint or fall?  
Nay, let us faith and hope receive,  
The rose still grows beyond the wall.  
Scattering fragrance far and wide,  
Just as it did in days of yore.  
Just as it did on the other side,  
Just as it will forevermore.*

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**Joan Lezette-Miller** - July 27, 2012 at 06:47 PM