

**Floral & Casket Bearers**  
*Family & Friends*

**With Gratitude from The Murray**

The family of Helen J. Murray wishes to thank everyone for the intentional acts of love & outpouring of kindness which have been extended during this time. Special appreciation to Pastor Lewis W. Macklin II & Holy Trinity Missionary Baptist Church, Rev. Vincent Peterson II & the fellowship of Third Baptist Church, and the staff of Briarfield Place for the ministry of loving care rendered. Our heartfelt gratitude is extended to the J. E. Washington Funeral Services team, Min. Mark Rheins Jr., Sis. Darlene Williams and Bro. Pete Green for sharing your God-given gifts as we celebrate our beloved Helen. It has been written, "God is not unrighteous to forget your labor of love."-Hebrews 6:10

*In Our Hearts*

We thought of you today.  
But that is nothing new.  
We thought about you yesterday.  
And days before that too.  
We think of you in silence.  
We often speak your name.  
Now all we have are memories.  
And your picture in a frame.  
Your memory is our keepsake.  
With which we'll never part.  
God has you in his keeping.  
We have you in our heart.

- Unknown

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*Celebration of Life*

*Helen J. Murray*  
1947-2026

**Friday, May 15, 2026**  
**Calling Hours: 10:00am**  
**Services: 11:00am**  
**Jaylex Event Center**  
**2110 Glenwood Avenue**  
**Youngstown, Ohio 44511**

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# *Celebrating A Life Well Lived*

## *The Life & Legacy of Helen Jane Murray*

**H**elen Jane Murray, the beloved daughter of Dorothy (Robinson) Warren and John Warren Sr., drew her first breath on December 31, 1947, in Morgantown, West Virginia. Unexpectedly, on April 29, 2026, Helen shared her last smile while at the Mercy Health Boardman campus surrounded by her loving family.

A proud graduate of South High School, Class of 1965, Helen played the drums as a percussionist for the band. She then pursued her passion for acquiring knowledge as a scholar at Youngstown State University.

Her career is marked by dedication and service, beginning as a cashier at Consolidated Stores and Sparkles Markets on Youngstown's south side and Cornerburg areas. Years later, patrons would fondly recall Helen's generous smile and engaging personality.

Helen then spent 14 years with Dominion East Ohio Gas Company before transitioning to the Youngstown City School System as a teacher's assistant, where her love for children flourished.

Known for exceptional customer service skills and knowledge within the public utilities industry, Helen was tapped by the Mahoning Youngtown Community Action Partnership to lend her expertise to the workforce at MYCAP in the weatherization department.

Helen was an active and engaged member of Holy Trinity Missionary Baptist Church, where she served within the culinary ministry, participated in its summer enrichment programs for the young people, and was an integral part of the King's Dominion Choir. Helen brought joy to the church community, participating in various activities, such as the Bumble Bee Tea Fashion Show, and always generously sharing her time, talents and treasury for the works of ministry.

Above all, Helen cherished her family. They were not just family; they were her roots, her support, and her biggest fans. Together, they created a tapestry of love and memories that will forever be woven into the fabric of their lives.

Helen leaves behind her devoted daughter, Corrine L. Warren of Youngstown, and her beloved siblings, Joyce E. Warren of Youngstown, Betty L. Warren of Youngstown, and John (Charlotte) Warren Jr. of Indianapolis, Indiana.

Helen's legacy will live on through her grandson, Rodney Sanders II, great-grandchildren Ziara Kennedy, Damien Patterson III, Angel Santiago, Zane Sanders, Kairyn Hunt, and Khi'Ree Sanders, as well as her great-great-granddaughter, Ny'Arri Martin Phifer.

Precious memories are also deposited in the hearts of her nieces Charmaine Warren, Xena Warren, Tamika Warren; and nephews Derek Stephens Sr., Maverick Henderson, Makhai Henderson and Derek "DJ" Stephens Jr.

The bond of Helen's friends who were like sisters-Louise Cooper, Ruth Brassfield, Georgia West, Faye Leonard, and Joyce Eley and her daughter-in-love Janeen Runyon remains unbreakable even in death. Helen lovingly nurtured and embraced her goddaughter, Jasmine Noel Macklin, as well as her bonus daughters, Joanna (Terrance) Jordon, Lisa McKinney, Antoinette Williams, and Angel Cashe with love, along with a large host of family and friends whom she loved dearly.

As Helen crossed the celestial sands into eternity, she was reunited with the ancestors, which includes her beloved parents, son Anthony "Tony" Carlton Warren and granddaughter, Tanisha Howell-Patterson. In Helen's memory, let us carry forth her legacy of kindness, for she taught by example that love truly knows no bounds.



In our hearts, Helen will always remain a bright beacon of love, resilience, and hope. She will be lovingly remembered for her boundless generosity, her radiant spirit, and her unwavering commitment to her beloved family and community. Her impact on the lives of those around her will forever remain within our hearts.

*Lovingly Shared by The Family*