



## Helen A. Murphy

August 19, 1913 - August 4, 2010

Helen A. Murphy, age 96 of Toledo, passed away on August 4, 2010. She was born to Josiah and Hazel (Swank) Murphy on August 19, 1913. She was a graduate of Libbey High School and then spent her career working for Toledo Edison as a Secretary for 36 years and was actively involved in the I.B.E.W Union, retiring in 1976. Helen's passion was genealogy and enjoyed researching family histories with her sister, Emma, which resulted in a book on the Swank family.

Helen was preceded in death by her parents and nephew, John Murphy. She is survived by her sister, Emma Murphy, of Ann Arbor, MI; brother, Roland Murphy, M.D., of Tucson, AZ; nieces, Kathleen Brown and Maureen Murphy of AZ; cousin, Dorothy Hale, of Temperance, MI.

Friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Rd., on Monday from 4-7 p.m. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, in the mortuary, at 10 a.m. Interment Toledo Memorial Park.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff at Hickory Ridge Care Center, Temperance, MI and Erie West Hospice.

# Tribute Wall



“ *To Emma and the Murphy family  
We met Helen and Emma at the Swank reunion in  
Ankneytown, Ohio many years ago, and they were such a delight to  
be able to know. I'm so sorry to have found this news on the  
computer. Helen will certainly be missed by family and everyone  
who was fortunate enough to have known her.  
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betty(swank) foster swater@embarqmail.com##imported-end##*

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“ *To Dorothy and the family of Helen Murphy: My sister told me the  
sad news that Helen had passed away. We both hope our mom was  
there to greet her in her next life.  
We first met Helen when we brought our mom to Hickory Ridge.  
Helen was such a sweet lady - and a character in her own way - a  
good character! I was the one who bought her the snow globe last  
Christmas and I would bring my Labs, Sophie and Otis, to visits the  
residents at HR. I always check in on Helen - the day we met her  
and Dorothy, she instantly seemed "part of our family". When our  
mom passed away in Oct of last year, we gave Helen some of our  
mom's nicest sweaters and each time after that we visited, she  
always had one on. I will miss her and think of her often. I thank  
God I had the opportunity to meet her. Please give my best to the  
family.##imported-begin##Jan Smith-Maves  
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“ *The greatest gem of the Swank Family has gone to be with the family member that have went before her. She was a grain of sand that started the Swank Family Tree and turn into the diamond of the Swank Family Tree information to be left to those that remain here on Earth. God will be blessed to have her by his side. God Bless to the whole Swank Family! She will indeed be missed by all!! Love always Jill###imported-begin##Jill Wills doggywills@aol.com###imported-end##*

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“ *What a wonderful person. She will certainly be missed by all.###imported-begin##Michael Swank mhswank@yahoo.com###imported-end##*

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