



## Mrs. Helen Mae Bourgeois

July 30, 1931 - February 16, 2016

Helen Mae Bourgeois (nee Emme) age 84, passed away with her husband, Laurence Thomas Bourgeois, by her side on Tuesday, February 16, 2016. A lifelong resident of the St. Louis area, Helen was born July 30, 1931, to Marie Emme (nee Ruest) and Edward Emme who preceeded her in death, as did her cherished "Aunty" Clara Bohland (nee Ruest) and "Unk" Hubert Bohland, siblings, Marian Druss (nee Emme), Edward Emme, Jr., and James Emme.

Treasured mother to Laury Bourgeois, James Bourgeois (Joan Parker), Thomas Bourgeois (Adrienne Rochon), and Kathleen Bourgeois ( Thomas Merello) and much-loved grandmother Jesse Bourgeois (Kaylee Koch). Helen is also survived by daughter-in-law Diane Bourgeois and many nieces and nephews.

Helen attended Cleveland High School and made many lifelong friends. She met Laurence at Harris Teachers College. Laurence enlisted in the United States Air Force and continued to write Helen from overseas. She joined him in England and they were wed in 1953.

Helen gave much and cared much. As a family, we strive to live by her example. We are thankful for the many years we all shared together. We have truly been blessed by her life and love.

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

FEB 21. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Valhalla Funeral Chapel, Crematory and Cemetery  
7600 St. Charles Rock Road  
St. Louis, MO 63133  
(314) 721-4900  
<https://www.valhallafunerals.net>

### Funeral Ceremony

FEB 21. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Helen Mae Bourgeois.*



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February 19, 2016 at 02:03 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Helen Mae Bourgeois.*



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February 19, 2016 at 01:56 PM



“ *Sandy, Donna and Carol purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mrs. Helen Mae Bourgeois.*



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**Sandy, Donna and Carol** - February 19, 2016 at 10:14 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Helen Mae Bourgeois.*



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February 18, 2016 at 05:45 PM