



Mrs. Helen Theresa Abdo

December 22, 1917 - May 8, 2016

Mrs. Helen Theresa Abdo, of Utica, passed away peacefully on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 8, 2016, with her loving family by her side.

Born in Utica on December 22, 1917, Helen was the daughter of the late Abraham and Zina Saba Abdo. She was raised in Utica and attended local schools. On April 20, 1941 she married Louis Albert Abdo at St. Louis Gonzaga Church in Utica. They shared 36 years of a blessed marriage until his passing in 1978. They were both wonderful parents and set an excellent example of hard-working, family first values for their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Helen had a strong religious faith and was a lifelong member of St. Louis Gonzaga Church of which her parents were founding members. She was active in and held offices with the following religious organizations: the Saint Moura's Society, the Saint Mary's Guild, the Saint Joseph Society, Legion of Mary, and the Altar Society. Helen was recognized for her dedication to the church and received the Masabki Medal. She was also recently celebrated and honored by the church community at her 98th birthday in December.

Helen was the mother of six children and their families. Her daughter Anne (Abdo) Kuenzli, and her son-in-law Ronald Campbell preceded her and she has joined them in heaven.

She is survived by her daughter Gloria (Abdo) Campbell, and Gloria's children Ronald Campbell and Maria Mayoral and their daughter Maddison, Kathleen and Aaron Myers and their children Elizabeth, Nicholas, and

Christopher, and Paul and Denise Campbell and their children Archer and Dexter; the Reverend Louis Albert Abdoo; Anita Abdoo and her children Michael and Gretchen Baumer and their children Anna, Molly, Sarah, and Katie, Erin and Gregg Zimmermann and their children Zoe and Dylan, and Bridget Baumer; Albert Abdoo; and Terry Abdoo King and her husband John and their children Kattoo and John; and her son-in-law Ronald Kuenzli. She is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, friends and her sister-in-law, Yolanda Abdoo. She was predeceased by her siblings and their spouses; Mary and Sam Lewis, Catherine and Dominick Hiffa, Joseph and Lucy Abdoo, Albert and Mamie Abdoo, Alice and Mike George, Louis and Helen Abdoo, John and Susan Abdoo, Amelia and Isaac Massoud, Muriel and Charles "Red" Maher, George and Ruth Abdoo, Mary Abdoo, Abraham Abdoo, and Jennie Abdoo.

Visitation will be held at St. Louis Gonzaga Church, 520 Rutger Street on Friday, May 13 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. The family will remain until all visitors have been seen. The Prayer of Incense will be offered in Helen's memory. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Helen's Mass of Christian Burial which will be held on Saturday at 9:30 a.m. at her home parish of St. Louis Gonzaga Church. The Mass will be celebrated by her son, the Reverend Louis A. Abdoo. Interment will follow in Calvary Cemetery alongside her loving husband.

In lieu of floral offerings, memorial contributions may be made to the Consolata Missionaries in care of Reverend Louis A. Abdoo, 4268 Lime Street, Riverside, California 92501 or the Saint Mary's Guild of St. Louis Gonzaga Church; envelopes will be available in the vestibule of the church.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2407 Oneida Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-2727

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 13. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

St. Louis Gonzaga Church
520 Rutger Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 732-6019

Funeral Service

MAY 14. 9:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pink & White Large Sympathy Vase Arrangement was purchased for the family of Mrs. Helen Theresa Abdoo.*



May 14, 2016 at 05:54 AM



“ *Love, Margaret & Bob Rogers and Family purchased the Springtime Wishes for the family of Mrs. Helen Theresa Abdoo.*



Love, Margaret & Bob Rogers and Family - May 12, 2016 at 01:18 PM

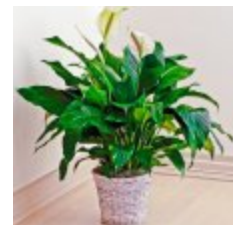


“ *I love Mrs. Abdoo! At her house I was always treated like family. She always had a warm hug and kiss for me. She even made me raw kibbie simply because she knew I loved it.....that is real love. Rest in peace, dear lady. You are a treasure, certain to be dearly missed.*

Mary Kennedy Friend - May 12, 2016 at 07:56 AM



“ *Love, The Asito's & Pusateri's purchased the Flo or Plant for Sympathy for the family of Mrs. Helen Theresa Abdoo.*



Love, The Asito's & Pusateri's - May 11, 2016 at 08:33 PM

CP

“ My prayers are with the Campbell family. Helen was a remarkable person. I will always cherish the blanket she made for my son last year.

We love you Gloria. XoXo

Courtney Pusateri - May 11, 2016 at 07:41 PM

FJ

“ Fr. Joe purchased the Roses For Sympathy for the family of Mrs. Helen Theresa Abdoo.



Fr. Joe - May 11, 2016 at 05:51 PM

JM

“ When Aaron and Kathleen married we gained a most wonderful family of in-laws, among them a most beautiful lady, Helen Abdoo, known to us as Sito. She was always smiling, gave the nicest hugs, was always willing to talk about her memories of life on the farm, how things were when she and her kids were growing up, she taught Rich how to make those great pita breads, she shared an interest in knitting and crochet, and made every family celebration or gathering complete. We are surely going to miss her. Rest in peace, Sito. Love you, Jean and Rich Myers

Jean Myers - May 11, 2016 at 01:49 PM

GM

“ Hi Gloria and Family,
So sorry for your loss and you will ALL be in my prayers. She had the best care anyone could have given her; you and Anita were there for her. Always remeber her with a smile.
Love and prayers,
Ginny
Sorry I will not be there on Saturday

Ginny Mossgraber - May 11, 2016 at 10:11 AM



“ Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Mrs. Helen Theresa Abdoo.



May 11, 2016 at 10:07 AM

KB

“ Sending love to you all. What an amazing woman. A matriarch. I feel a great loss. I remember spending many days and nights with Bridget at Anita's with Sito there. I remember her having incredible quiet strength. I remember the family arm in arm singing "We Are Family" on many an occasion. Thinking about that makes me smile.
Love you all.

Katie Barber

Katie Barber - May 11, 2016 at 07:59 AM

RA

“ Lou, Gloria, Anita & Albert, Cindy & I offer OUR DEEPEST SORROW IN THE LOSS OF YOUR MOM. OUR PRAYER ARE ALWAYS WITH YOU ALL!!! AUNT HELEN WAS A BEAUTIFUL & KIND PERSON TO ALL!!! MAY THE LORD'S BLESSINGS SHOWER OVER ALL OF YOU!!!! LOVE, RICH & CINDY ABDOO

Richard Abdoo - May 11, 2016 at 02:39 AM

JR

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Jo Ann Rucker - May 10, 2016 at 08:53 PM

AJ

Is there a more wonderful person alive? There MUST be; but I haven't met them. Aboona Joe

Aboona Joe - May 11, 2016 at 04:58 PM