



Mary Helen Cole

March 19, 1930 - August 20, 2024

The passing of Mary “Helen” Porter Cole, 94, on August 20, 2024, signaled the end of a long and happy life. A life that was shaped by her sunny spirit, and willingness to help others. Born March 19, 1930 in Wildwood, Georgia to Herbert Porter and Beula Bell Lea.

Helen was preceded in death by her husband, Charles “Clark” Cole; brothers, Norvin, Harry & John; sisters, Elsie Price, Leona Bowman, Beulah (Boots) Lawson & Sue Lawson. Helen and her sisters enjoyed traveling and loved singing while accompanying each other on piano and organ. The last years of her life were some of her happiest years, reading books, playing games on her ipad, shopping on Amazon, and playing cornhole where she reigned supreme.

Helen’s selflessness touched the lives of so many, and she will be remembered for her ready smile, distinctive laugh, and a deep abiding faith in God.

Though she may be gone, her love and wisdom will continue to benefit those in the world she left behind.

She is survived by her three children, Chuck, Eddie & Mary (Rick).

The family wishes to express heartfelt gratitude to Roxanne, Stephen & Crystal for your care & support. Rick, she loved you like a son. Thank you for your positive, loving care.

A Celebration of Life will take place at a future date. Online condolences may be shared at ryanfuneralhome.net.

Arrangements are entrusted to Ryan Funeral Home & Crematory, Trenton, GA.

Tribute Wall

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“ *I've been gone from Dade County almost four decades but recall Helen was such a kind and friendly person. She showed concern for all those around her and let them know her love for folks.* ”

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