



Helen Kisling

December 3, 1915 - January 30, 2015

Helen was born in Fellows, CA, to Robert and Ruth Vandergriff. The family moved to Livingston where she attended school and graduated from Livingston High School in 1934. In 1935, she married Wallace Cunningham of Turlock, who died while playing in a Donkey Basketball game in 1948. She bought a house in Denair, and when her son Ron contracted polio she labored three times a day on his physical rehabilitation. Just as it looked like Ron would be restored to health to resume normal activity, their house burned down. The Denair Lion's Club rallied around, raised money, and built the family a new home.

She married John Kisling in 1953 in Denair and in 1972 they moved to Greeley Hill. In 1985, they returned to Turlock where they bought a home on Sue Ave. She lost her beloved husband John in 1993.

Helen was a member of the First Christian Church of Turlock since 1947. She was the energy and love that brought her extended family together at Christmastime for the last 25 years in a family reunion attended at times by more than 50 family members. It was a time of renewing family ties and strengths. She was still baking pies and cooking the turkey into her early 90s. She will be greatly missed.

Mrs. Kisling is survived by sons William (Pam), Ronald, and Robert (Charlene)

Cunningham, step-daughter Elaine Magee, step-son Robert (Maxine) Kisling, sister Micki (Blaine) Traube, 17 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

A visitation will be held on Thurs., Feb. 5, from 1 to 5 p.m. at Turlock Funeral Home, 425 N. Soderquist Rd. A graveside service will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. on Fri., Feb. 6, at Turlock Memorial Park.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

FEB 6. 1:30 PM (PT)

Turlock Memorial Park
575 N. Soderquist Rd.
Turlock, CA 95380
(209) 632-9111
<http://turlockmemorialpark.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Helen Kisling*

January 28, 2023 at 09:01 AM



“ *My husband and I would like to express our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of your beloved Helen. Although we never had the opportunity to meet Helen, we wanted to share with you comfort from Gods word found in John 5:28,29. Here we are given the wonderful hope of the resurrection of our dear loved ones, here on earth just as Lazarus was in John 11. Draw comfort also in knowing that our Heavenly Father expresses his loving compassion for all of us when someone we love dies (Psalm 34:18). Share your memories with those who surround you, for the memories shared are the ones most truly cherished, especially if they were shared together, may they bring you a sense of peace and joy in your hearts as you begin to heal. Take care of yourselves and each other during this very difficult time.*

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