



Helen P. Bailey

April 14, 1947 - February 6, 2021

Helen P. Bailey 73, of Houston passed away February 6, 2021. Helen was born April 14, 1947 in Cleveland Ohio to Frank and Ann Poplstein. She is survived by her wife Lenna Morris after 24 years of marriage. She is also survived by her three children Richard, Jonathan and Andrew Bailey, her brother Charles Poplstein of St. Louis, her grandchildren Braden, Amelia, Elizabeth, Jonathan and Ethan Bailey.

Helen grew up in Maple Heights Ohio and graduated from high school there. She was ordained a Minister of the Presbyterian church and received her Master's in Divinity in Cleveland in 1972. She received her Master's of Arts from University of Houston in 1992. She then married and had her three boys while working as a clergy couple with her husband. They served a number of churches in several states. The last church they served together was in Houston Texas.

Helen very much enjoyed serving the church. However, once she came out to herself as a lesbian the church did not accept her abilities as a minister to a full time congregation any longer. She took up pulpit supply, filling in for other ministers and also began working as therapist. She also volunteered her time with "That all may Freely Serve" which was a group working to help gay and lesbian ordained ministers gain the ability to work openly within the church. She was very supportive to the lesbian and gay community and found many friends there as she helped others to find their own way both to God and to accepting themselves the way God had created them. She and Lenna met at

the Houston Lesbian conference in 1997. Soon after that they were married in the eyes of God and their friends at their home. Eventually after some growth and change in the church as well as in the state of Texas they were legally married again on their 20th anniversary. Her kindness and love of God touched everyone who knew her.

In lieu of flowers please consider a charitable donation to the United Presbyterian Church USA.

Tribute Wall



“ *Helen P. Bailey*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Helen P. Bailey*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



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October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



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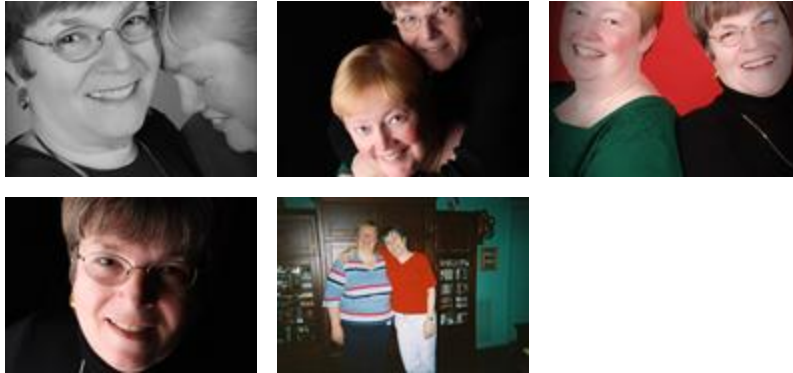
“ *Helen was my therapist. I was saddened to learn this afternoon that she has passed. She was a kind and caring person. Her sessions always seemed like speaking to a friend who would listen with care and give you sound and caring advise. Sadly, due to Covid, our sessions stopped. I miss our discussions and will always cherish the wonderful advise you gave me to have a more fulfilling and happy life. Rest in peace and my condolences to your wife, children, friends and family.*

Carlos

Carlos - July 24, 2022 at 03:26 PM

LE

“ 6 files added to the album Helen and Lenna



Lenna - February 22, 2021 at 05:36 PM

LE

We had a beautiful life together for the past 24 years. She was the love of my life. Lenna

Lenna - February 22, 2021 at 05:47 PM

LM

I will always love you. I miss you every day. Rest peacefully in God's arms.

Lenna Morris - March 23, 2021 at 03:00 PM

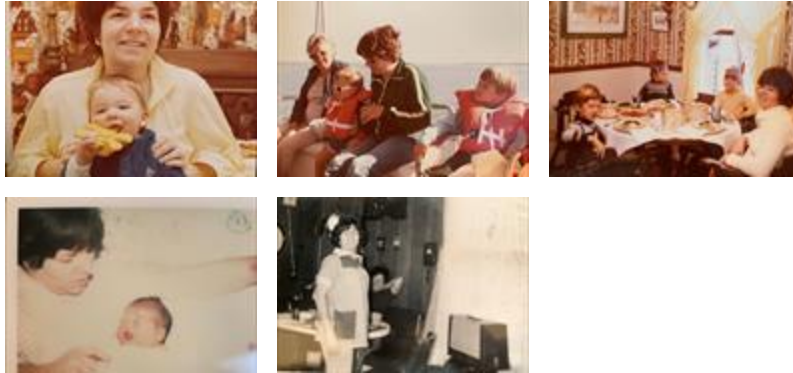
DJ

I am so incredibly sad to hear this. Helen became my therapist in 2012 and helped through some of the darkest times in my life. She was such a great therapist and really helped me get on with my life. She even testified at my custody trial in 2013. We had a special bond. I looked forward to seeing her every two weeks up until damn COVID HIT. I hope her boys and their families and her beloved wife knew how much she loved all of you. We talked about that often. I miss her TERRIBLY. Rest easy my dear friend. Thank you for your guidance, friendship and support all of those years. You taught me to hold my head high again. I left every session giving her a big hug and telling her i loved her. See you on the other side my sweet friend.

Deanna Jordan - February 15, 2023 at 11:19 PM

JB

“ 7 files added to the album Memories Album



Jon Bailey - February 13, 2021 at 05:49 PM

CL

I had the pleasure of knowing Helen by working with her in 3 different jobs as counselors. She was superb as a counselor, gentle, calming, a wonderful listener, and had an abundance of knowledge when when she practiced and in the field. She was a firm believer in her faith and the kind of person she was demonstrated this. Much love to her children and loving spouse, Lenna. It was always an honor and learning experience to work along side of her. Soar above Helen, Love, Carol Prusinski, LPC

Carol Prusinski, LPC - June 15, 2021 at 05:21 PM

DC

“ *I met Helen at Chuck and Julie’s wedding. She immediately impressed me with intelligence, humility, and grit. I have no doubt that her service to Christ benefited many.*

David J. Carr - February 13, 2021 at 02:20 PM

JP

“ *Helen was a great sister-in-law to me, and I miss her very much. Chuck and I are sending our love to Lenna and to Helen's boys and grandkids. -- Julie Poplstein*

Julie Poplstein - February 12, 2021 at 05:28 PM