



Helen L. Casper

May 19, 1930 - February 5, 2026

Helen L. Casper, 95 of Elm Creek passed away Thursday, February 5, 2026 at Kinship Pointe Kearney. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, February 21, 2026 at Elm Creek United Methodist Church with Pastor Venedith Vargas officiating. Interment will follow at Elm Creek Cemetery. Visitation will be held 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Friday, February 20, 2026 at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney. The family will greet friends one hour prior to the service at the church.

Memorials are suggested to the Elm Creek United Methodist Church. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Helen was born May 19, 1930 in Central City, NE to Raymond and Erma (Marsh) Mesner. She was raised near Central City, NE and attended Central City High School, graduating in 1948. Helen then attended Earlham College in Richmond, IN where she earned her bachelor's degree. On June 1, 1956, Helen was united in marriage to Paul Casper in Central City, NE. The couple made their home in Elm Creek where Helen was an elementary school teacher for 20 years.

Helen was a longtime member of the Elm Creek United Methodist Church where she was involved in several committees and played the piano for many

years. She was also a member of Elm Creek Teachers Association, Delta Kappa Gamma, Elm Creek Women's Club, Garden Club, Library Board, Maple Manor Board, Pantry Board and was a longtime volunteer at Good Samaritan Hospital.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Jeff Casper of Lincoln, Becky Casper of Kearney, and Scott Casper of Lincoln; grandchildren, Tova (Rob) Shaffer of Kearney, Jesse (Caree) Hubbard of San Diego, CA; great grandchildren, Shayleen Thompson, Isabella Hubbard, Olivia Brummert, Quinten, Evan and Cecilia Shaffer, Madalynn Hubbard and Taygan Smail; great, great grandchildren Sabrina and Violet Leach; brother, William (Lillian) Mesner of Lincoln; sisters-in-law, Selma Mesner of Central City, Grayce Mesner of Lacon, IL, Lois Mesner of Victoria, British Columbia; as well as many nieces, nephews extended family and friends.

Helen was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Paul Casper; infant son, David Paul Casper; grandsons, John Paul Hubbard and Tyson Hubbard; siblings, Dale (Marian) Mesner, Neil Mesner, Philip Mesner, Elizabeth (Louis) Lindahl and Warren Mesner; sister-in-law, Kay Mesner.

Cemetery Details

Elm Creek Cemetery

5100 52nd Road
Elm Creek, NE 68836

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 20. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations
4115 Ave N
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 234-3500
info@osrfh.com
<https://www.osrfh.com>

Funeral Service

FEB 21. 10:30 AM (CT)

Elm Creek United Methodist Church
310 N Tyler St
Elm Creek, NE 68836-1535
(308) 856-4275

Tribute Wall



“ O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Helen L. Casper



O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations - February 24 at 04:20 PM

DF

“ Donna Stanley Family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Helen L. Casper.



Donna Stanley Family - February 20 at 03:17 PM

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“ Donna Stanley Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Helen L. Casper.

Donna Stanley Family - February 20 at 03:17 PM

MM

“ Jeff, Becky & Scott - I enjoyed spending time with your Mom last year in selling her home. She was always very nice to me and pleasant to visit with. She was very proud of all of you.

Miles Marshall - February 20 at 10:12 AM

CA

“ Cliff, Kathy, and Amy purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Helen L. Casper.



Cliff, Kathy, and Amy - February 17 at 03:38 PM

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“ I was fortunate to have her as my 6th grade teacher. She was a great teacher and an amazing lady.

Tara Beezley (Schmidt) - February 15 at 09:17 PM

LV

“ So sorry for your loss Scott.

Larry Vollmer - February 12 at 10:21 AM

FM

“ Scott and families, we are sort for your loss. Please know we are thinking of you. Kelly & Fran Murr



Fran Murr - February 08 at 08:01 PM



“ *Helen was a great neighbor. Kind heart. She will be missed* ❤️

Peggy Porter - February 06 at 08:10 PM