



Helen D. Murashko

March 18, 1920 - May 2, 2010

Mrs. Helen Demchuck Murashko, age 90, formerly of Newington, Old Saybrook, and West Hartford entered into eternal rest on May 2, 2010 in Plantsville, CT.

Helen was born on March 18, 1920 in Hartford to Martha and Lawrence Demchuck, who were one of the founding members of the All Saints Russian Orthodox Church in Hartford, CT. Helen married her lifelong partner Alexander P. Murashko in 1942, who later died in 1986.

Helen had many accomplishments during her life including being an active member of Coast Guard Police during WWII and was stationed as a guard at Pratt & Whitney in East Hartford. Later in life she was employed at various portrait photography studios in the Hartford area.

Helen enjoyed many activities, but was most fond of her church. A devoted lifelong member of the Russian Orthodox Church, Helen sang in the choir as well as being an active member in the sisterhood and the annual Church bazaar. Helen enjoyed playing the balalaika in a band with her husband Alexander Sash, her sister Ann Grecko, and her brother-in-law Nick Grecko. Helen loved to bowl, ski, swim, and play bocce with her family and friends. You would often see Helen joining bowling leagues or making frequent trips to the slopes. Helen loved spending time with her family and friends at her cottage in Cornfield Point in Old Saybrook.

Mrs. Murashko is survived by her two daughters, Dianne Leighton, her husband, Richard, Valerie Hill her husband Michael Hill, as well as her son,

Alexander Murashko of New Jersey. Helen was very proud of all her grandchildren Lindsay Leighton, Kristen Leighton, Michael Hill, Brian Hill, Andrew Hill, Michelle Murashko Cardwell, Alex Murashko, Christine and Gary. She was also a proud great-grandparent to several great grand children including Madelin Gutzmer and Ava Cardwell. Helen was predeceased by her sisters Ann Grecko in 1992 and Dora Dworak in 2003.

The family would like to express deepest appreciation for the support and encouragement from all the staff at the Alzheimer's Resource Center. Funeral service will be held on Tuesday, May 4, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. at All Saints Orthodox Church, 205 Scarborough St., Hartford. Burial will follow in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Family and friend may call at the Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Ave., West Hartford from 9:00- 10:30 a.m. the morning of the funeral. In lieu of flowers donations in her memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Resource Center, 1261 South Main St, Plantsville, CT 06479 or All Saints Orthodox Church, 205 Scarborough St, Hartford, CT 06105.