

In Memoriam



Sister Helen Maureen Nicholson PGM - Worthy Grand Matron 2019-2021

Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star - Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island

A link in the golden chain of our Past Grands has once again been broken with the passing of Sister Helen Nicholson, PGM of Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island on June 11, 2026 at the age of 81

Sister Helen was the daughter of the late Guy and Bertha Pierce. She was predeceased by her husband Brother Willard, PP and PGM of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island who passed away just three months ago.

She is survived by her children, Kathy Stevenson (Derek) and Andrew Nicholson. She was the Grandmother of Garrett and Spencer Stevenson and Ella and Carter Nicholson.

Sister Helen was very involved in her community and province. She volunteered in many activities and was the Treasurer and Past President of the Prince Edward Island Women's Institute. She was currently serving as the PEIWI Society Coordinator of the Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW).

Sister Helen was a 53-year member of the Order of the Eastern Star. She was initiated in Crystal Chapter #1 (PEI) in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island on Nov 16, 1973. She served in most of the offices in her chapter and was Worthy Matron in 1983-84 and 2012-13. She was an honorary member of Regent Chapter 52 and Montague Chapter 69 both in Prince Edward Island.

Helen was a charter member of Athena Temple No 149 Daughters of the Nile in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Helen served as a DDGM in 2014-2015 and was elected Associate Grand Conductress in 2016 and Served as Worthy Grand Matron in 2019-2021 along side of Brother Edward MacLaren, P.G. Master (PEI), as Worthy Grand Patron. They brought us through the very difficult Covid period to celebrate at their "Wings in the Garden of Stars Session" in 2021. Although gathering restrictions were in place they had a very successful Grand Chapter Session.

She served on many Grand Chapter committees and was a Grand Representative of California 1987-1989.

Deepest sympathy is extended to her Children and Grand Children and members of Crystal, Regent and Montague Chapters. Helen was a very dedicated member of all three chapters. She will be missed.

A memorial and Eastern Star service will be held at Hillsboro Funeral Home on June 18, 2026. Helen and her husband Willard will be interred together at the Floral Hills Memorial Gardens, Pleasant Valley at a public graveside service on Friday June 19, 2026.

In loving tribute to Sister Helen, this Memorial is to be read in each Chapter and the Altar draped.

Dorothy H J Powroz

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William F. Clark

William F. Clark, PGP
Grand Secretary

Roy MacKinnon

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