

*I am standing upon the seashore.
A ship at my side spreads her white sails
to the morning breeze and
starts for the blue ocean.*

She is an object of beauty and strength.

*I stand and watch her until at length she hangs
like a speck of white cloud just where the sea
and sky come to mingle with each other.*

Then someone at my side says:

"There, she is gone!"

"Gone where?"

Gone from my sight. That is all.

*And just at the moment when someone
at my side says, "There, she is gone!"
there are other eyes watching her coming,
and other voices ready to take up the glad
shout, "Here she comes!"*

And that is dying.

Henry Van Dyke

*A Service of Celebration
and Worship
for the Life of*

Helen Hildebrand



October 16, 1926 ~ February 23, 2021

*St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Listowel
Saturday, February 27, 2021 ~ 11:00 a.m.*

*Rev. Ralph Dwarika officiating
Eaton Funeral Home, Listowel*

Order of Service

Prelude

Nan Doe

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn

Amazing Grace

Prayer

Readings

Eulogy

Kathy Mitchell

Message

Rev. Ralph Dwarika

Hymn

Beautiful Saviour

Prayer

Benediction

Committal Service

Closing Hymn

How Great Thou Art



*Spring interment will take place in
Fairview Cemetery, Listowel,
where she will be laid to rest with her parents.*

Helen Margaret Hildebrand
of Braemar Retirement Home, Wingham, and formerly of
Listowel, passed away at Wingham & District Hospital on
Tuesday, February 23, 2021, in her 95th year.

Helen was born in Wallace Township on October 16, 1926,
the only child of the late George and Elizabeth (Berfelz)
Hildebrand. She will be sadly missed by the Burnett, Holtzman,
Leppard, Berfelz, Hallman families, and her teacher friends.

Helen's childhood was spent on the fourth generation
Hildebrand homestead in Wallace Township on the fifth
concession Wallace. She attended a one room stone
schoolhouse, SS4 Wallace, Listowel District High School, and
went onto Stratford Normal School (teachers' college).

Her first teaching contract was at SS2 Wallace, then Sebringville
for a couple of years, and then she moved to Hamilton where
she taught for another four years. It was during this time that
she took her first art class. Her inspiration in art came from
Listowel's art teacher, Roxie Ellis. Helen taught art for 30 years
in her 38-year career. She taught at two junior High Schools in
the former North York Board of Education, and also taught
summer school and night schools for the Ministry of Education
and at the Southampton art school.

She was known as the party girl by most of her friends and
acquaintances. She loved to play cards and enjoyed playing golf
too, but her greatest joy was spending as much time
as possible at her cottage in Southampton. Her favorite treat was
a gin and tonic followed by a good roast goose dinner. She also
enjoyed many cruises with fellow teachers and friends.



Memorial donations to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Listowel, or
the Stratford-Perth Humane Society would be appreciated, and
may be made through the Eaton Funeral Home, Listowel.