



Mrs. Helen Fantasia Arraj

April 6, 1951 - July 2, 2012

Helen Fantasia Arraj

Loving Wife, Mother, and Grandmother

DRACUT—Helen Fantasia Arraj, the devoted wife of Wayne Robert Arraj, passed away unexpectedly on Monday morning at her home. She was 61 years old.

Helen was born in Somerville on April 6, 1951, a daughter of Albert and Myrtle E. (McLaughlin) Fantasia who both survive her. Her family moved to Wilmington and she attended Wilmington Schools, graduation from Wilmington High School. Helen matriculated to the University of Massachusetts-Boston, where she graduated with Honors.

Helen was a program specialist for Vinfen Corporation of Cambridge. She was a strong advocate for the disabled and a pioneer in the Social Services Community. Helen served on several boards, including Dana Farber, AAIDD, Lowell Assembly of God, and the Vinfen Family Advisory Council. She was a member of the Lowell Assembly of God Church in Tewksbury.

Helen was a gifted writer and poet, who also had a deep love for Indian Customs, traditions, and cooking.

A Spiritual Leader at her Lowell Assembly of God Church, Helen loved being there for people and families in need. She could reach out to folks and enjoyed being with and taking care of friends, family, and loved ones. Helen was a “Mother” to many.

She had a passion for gardening, cooking, and sewing. Helen loved to share stories and spend time year round with the people that she loved.

Surviving Helen in addition to her husband Wayne are her children, Daniel E. Martin and his life partner, Kim Kondziolka of Dracut; her daughter Marybeth (Martin) Sepulveda and her husband John of Dracut; three grandchildren, Makayla Dumas-Martin, Mark Martin, and Tyla Marie Martin; her three sisters, Laura Lee Fantasia, Lorna Gay Darling, and Dawn Kritter; her brothers, George A. Fantasia, Daniel P. Fantasia, Mark A. Fantasia, and Albert A. Fantasia; and her mother-in-law, Rose Marie Arraj. Helen also leaves many nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends.

FUNERAL NOTICE

ARRAJ—In Dracut, July 2, 2012, unexpectedly at her home, Helen Fantasia Arraj, 61, beloved wife of Wayne R. Arraj of Dracut. Family and friends will be received at the LOWELL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH, 995 ANDOVER STREET, TEWKSBURY, on FRIDAY MORNING from 9:30 AM until 12 NOON. Her FUNERAL SERVICE will follow at 12 NOON in the church. Donations in Helen's memory may be made to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Dana Farber Cancer Center, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168 www.dana-farber.org ARRANGEMENTS BY THE FAY McCABE FUNERAL DIRECTORS 978-459-9222. For directions or to leave the family a message of condolence please go to www.faymccabe.com

Cemetery Details

A Private Cemetery Service Will Take Place With The Family

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JUL 6. 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Lowell Assembly of God Church
995 Andover St.
Tewksbury, MA 01876
(978) 851-9800
mickie@lowellag.org
<http://www.lowellag.org>

A Celebration of Life

JUL 6. 12:00 PM (ET)

Lowell Assembly of God Church
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Tribute Wall

JT

“ *When I lost Helen I lost a piece of my heart. She was a beautiful woman inside and out. We laughed together and we cried together. I hung around with Helen for many years in Wilmington. We had so much fun together I will never ever forget her rest in peace Helen*

Jane tessier - March 01, 2023 at 06:54 PM

JT

“ *Jane Tessier lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Helen Fantasia Arraj*



Jane tessier - March 01, 2023 at 06:51 PM



“ *Mrs. Helen Fantasia Arraj*

January 28, 2023 at 03:09 PM

RS

“ *I am so sad to hear of Helen's passing. I will sorely miss her bright spirits and tireless dedication to the rights of people with disabilities.*

Her family, friends and colleagues are in my thoughts and prayers.

Rich Salandrea

Richard Salandrea - July 11, 2012 at 11:54 AM

SW

“ *I am so deeply sorry to hear about Helen. I only hope that you are all there for each other for support, and that it is enough to help you heal. She was always such a lovely woman. My deepest sympathy to you all.*



Shelia Dunnett Waterhouse - July 07, 2012 at 11:48 AM

KM

“ Praying for the family today. I wish I could be there with the whole family. Helen was always there for us. She was an amazing cousin. Love you all.
Karla

Karla Marone - July 06, 2012 at 08:58 AM

RC

“ Dan, Mark, Kim, and family - I am so sorry for your loss. I hope that your memories of Helen help ease some of your pain and get you through this rough time. Know that your friends are here to support you in any way we can. While it might be hard to ask, do it anyway and let us know if there is anything you need.
Hugs, Rebecca Cronin

rebecca cronin - July 06, 2012 at 07:59 AM

TN

“ Tom & Susan Nota lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Helen Fantasia Arraj



Tom & Susan Nota - July 05, 2012 at 10:15 PM

TN

So sorry for your loss.

Tom & Susan Nota - July 05, 2012 at 10:17 PM

SP

“ Sherry & Joe Perkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Helen Fantasia Arraj



Sherry & Joe Perkins - July 05, 2012 at 08:40 AM

BR

“ Bill & Carrol Ryan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Helen Fantasia Arraj



Bill & Carrol Ryan - July 04, 2012 at 11:27 PM

BD

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you all was sadden to hear of Helen's passing she was a beautiful person inside and out she will be missed deeply. Cousin Barbara jean*



Barbara Dunleavy - July 04, 2012 at 08:02 PM

SR

“ *Sean & Erin Rourke lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Helen Fantasia Arraj*



Sean & Erin Rourke - July 04, 2012 at 06:53 PM

RP

*My heartfelt condolences go out to you and your family. If you get a chance to hear a song by George Younce called Beyond the sunset, it says it all much better than I could ever offer.
Rely on your friends durring these hard time.
Ron Provost*

Ronald F. Provost - July 06, 2012 at 08:12 AM