

Helen L. (Campbell) Sheets, 88, of Brooklyn, formerly Red Oak, Iowa passed away, Monday, January 5, 2015 in Brooklyn. Helen was born March 7, 1926 in Des Moines, the youngest of



five children to John and Nora (Koenig) Campbell. She graduated from old North High School in Des Moines in 1944 and went on to earn her Bachelor of Arts degree from Parsons College in Fairfield Iowa in 1948. "Soupe", as they called her, maintained lifelong friendships with several Parsonites. Helen served

her church and community in numerous capacities including Director of Christian Education at the Red Oak Presbyterian Church, played the viola with the Nodaway Valley Symphony in Clarinda and the Ecumenical Strings in Red Oak, sang in church choir, and was a leader and member of many organizations wherever she resided.

Helen and Edward Sheets were married on August 6, 1950, at the Red Oak Presbyterian Church. They raised two daughters on Skyline Drive in Red Oak: Ruth Elaine (Sheets) Hall, born 1953 and Sarah Louise Sheets-McKeag, born 1958. Helen was a lifelong educator and advocate and taught in the public school system. In their later years, Ed and Helen treasured the time spent with their grandchildren, traveling and camping.

Helen is preceded in death by her husband, Edward R. Sheets (1986); her daughter, Ruth Elaine (Sheets) Hall (1999); son-in-law Mark D. Hall (2012); siblings John Campbell, Marjorie (Campbell) Jones, and Richard K. Campbell; in-laws, Kenneth and Joan Slump, Maurice and Donna Sheets, Judy Sheets, Robert Shearer, and Walter "Bud" Osborne.

Helen is survived by her daughter, Sarah Sheets-McKeag (Gary McKeag); her sister: Rose (Campbell) Osborne; grandchildren, Eric (Lisa) Hall, Laura (Jeff) Gaffney, Julie (Josh) Orman, and Darren McKeag; seven great-grandchildren, Madelyn Gaffney, Alexander Orman, Logan Gaffney, Aurelia Hall, Ruth Orman, and Cass and Kian McKeag; sisters-in-law, Vivian (Doane) Campbell and Jane (Sheets) Shearer; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday, January 10, 2015, at the Red Oak Presbyterian Church with Pastor Caryn Pedersen officiating. Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the Red Oak Presbyterian Church, Red Oak Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association, or the American Cancer Society.

Nelson-Boylan-LeRette Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements.