



Helen A. Walker

February 18, 1945 - March 30, 2025

Helen A. Walker, 80, of Iron Mountain, passed away on Sunday, March 30, 2025, at Marshfield Medical Center – Dickinson.

Helen was born on February 18, 1945, in Chicago, IL, the daughter of the late Elden and Anne (Albert) Outcalt. She was the third of six children and a lifelong resident of the area.

She was married to Donald J. Alsteen from 1962 to 1980. As a strong and determined young mother of three, Helen proudly earned her high school diploma, graduating from Niagara High School in 1974. On January 9, 1982, she married James A. Walker at Trinity United Methodist Church.

Throughout her working years, Helen held various roles, including at Fugere Brothers and M.J. Electric, where she worked for 14 years. She was also the proud owner of Helping Hands for 25 years before passing the business on to her granddaughter and retiring in 2018.

Helen enjoyed baking, reading, and was highly skilled in sewing and crocheting. She was also a wonderful cook, famously known for cooking everything on high—her meals were always delicious, even if the timing was dictated by the smoke alarm. A force to be reckoned with, Helen never shied away from hard work. Much to her husband's occasional chagrin, she often

began home remodeling projects with a hammer in hand.

She was loving, kind-hearted, and deeply committed to her community. Helen played an instrumental role in establishing the Caring House, the area's first shelter for survivors of domestic violence and their children.

Known as "Mama" to her children, Helen will be deeply missed. She is survived by her loving husband, James; her children, LouAnne (Larry Crittenden) Allard, Darren (Tracy) Alsteen, Tamara (Ken) Kuder, Julie Osieczonek, and Chuck (Angie) Walker; her grandchildren, Cory Allard, Morgan (Nick) Sparks, Brianna Allard, Alyssa (Seth) Stromberg, Kendra Alsteen, Carlie (Bill Hartwig) Stromberg, Jenna (Caleb Hingos) Alsteen, Keiley Alsteen, Tyler (Courtney) Fabry, Travis Paquin, Joey Kuder, Tadd (Lindsey) Marcell, Brandon Walker, Kayla Byrd, and Christopher Walker; and 15 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister, Pearl Outcalt, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her siblings: Frank (Mary Lou) Outcalt, Judy Brown, Milo Outcalt, and Elden Outcalt.

Visitation will be held on Friday, April 25, 2025, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. at Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. A Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 11:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception Church in Iron Mountain, with Fr. Martin Flynn presiding. Burial will be at Dickinson County Memorial Gardens.

Condolences to the family of Helen Walker may be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Dickinson County Memorial Gardens

Hwy U.S. 2
Iron Mountain, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **25**. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home
901 Carpenter Avenue
Iron Mountain, MI 49801
(906) 774-7676
nashfuneralhome@gmail.com
<https://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

APR **25**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
500 Blaine St.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Tribute Wall

KC

“ Kathleen C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Helen A. Walker.

Kathleen C. - April 27, 2025 at 01:20 PM

PM

“ Jim and family, I was so sorry to hear of the passing of Helen. May your cherished memories bring you peace and comfort . God's blessing
Penny Mendini

Penny Mendini - April 25, 2025 at 12:27 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Helen A. Walker.



April 24, 2025 at 11:15 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Helen A. Walker.

April 24, 2025 at 11:15 AM

JC

“ Jerry Crittenden purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Helen A. Walker.



Jerry Crittenden - April 22, 2025 at 04:05 PM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Helen A. Walker.



April 20, 2025 at 06:42 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Helen A. Walker.

April 20, 2025 at 06:42 PM

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“ Mary Lou, Vince, Kim Outcalt purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Helen A. Walker.



Mary Lou, Vince, Kim Outcalt - April 20, 2025 at 05:32 PM