



HELEN H. PETRE

March 17, 2012

Helen H. Petre, 103, died Friday evening March 16, 2012 at Lakeside, Willow Valley Retirement Community. Born in Millersville, PA she was the daughter of Andrew G. and Catharine Hershey Hostetter and wife of the late Rev. W. Ridgway Petre with whom she shared 63 years of marriage prior to his death in 1994.

Helen was a graduate of Manor Township High School and Millersville State Normal School Class of 1928. Following graduation from Millersville she taught for three years before her marriage to Pastor Petre.

Helen supported her husband in all endeavors including his twenty-one years as a Chaplain in the Navy. Helen, herself a woman of deep Faith, shared in Ministry with her husband in local churches including Millersville United Methodist Church and Mt. Joy United Methodist Church. She and her husband also served at many United Methodist Churches including the Hopewell United Methodist Church, Downingtown, PA, Epworth United Methodist Church in Norfolk, VA and Francis Asbury United Methodist Church, Virginia Beach.

Helen was a person who was deeply devoted to her husband, his ministry, family and friends. She began every day with a sense of curiosity and wit.

Helen is survived by her nephew Stephen H. husband of Peg McKain,
Lancaster.

Private Services with Burial at Millersville Mennonite Cemetery will be held.
Please omit flowers, Memorials in Helen's name may be made to First United
Methodist Church of Millersville, 121 N. George Street, Millersville, PA 17551.

Tribute Wall



“ *HELEN H. PETRE*

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“ *My deepest condolences on the passing of your mother. I only recently learned of her passing. She was a vivacious and gracious woman. Prior to my retirement in 2007, I served the West Willow UMC and was privileged to be both mom and dad's pastor, also officiating at Dad's passing. We shared many gracious moments and some excellent stories of your dad's military service. They both are missed by all who knew them. Our confidence rests in the promise that they enjoy a fuller life yet denied to us and that we will be joined together again. My prayers are with you all.*

Michael Roney

Rev. C. Michael Roney - March 29, 2012 at 07:21 PM