



## Helen Ruth Williams

October 11, 1930 - January 3, 2021

Helen Ruth (Piper) Williams, 90, of Copan, passed away Sunday, Jan. 3, 2021, in Bartlesville.

Helen was born Oct. 11, 1930, in Cleveland, Ohio, to George Arthur and Maudie Max (Autry) Piper. When Helen was five, the family moved to Crabtree, AR. She attended 1st through 8th grades at Crabtree and then 9th and 10th grades at Clinton, AR. They then moved to Little Rock, AR where she attended high school.

Helen developed a love for music at a young age. Her mother gave her first guitar at age eight. While Helen was performing live on the radio in Little Rock, she met the love of her life, Jack Albert “Happy Jack” Williams, whose band was playing a show at the same radio station.

While playing a concert in Pennsylvania, Helen and Happy Jack were united in marriage onstage on Aug. 24, 1947, in front of a crowd of several thousand. Their band was called Happy Jack and Helen, and played television, radio and live all over Texas and everywhere east. They used their God-given talents to play Bluegrass, Country and Southern Gospel.

To their union four sons were born: Robert Ralph Williams, twins Randolph “Randy” Eugene and “Ricky” Lamare Williams, and John Arthur Williams.

Helen and Jack co-owned Happy Jack and Helen's Furniture in Pittsburg, KS, from June 1972 through 1974. Later, they co-owned and operated Happy Jack and Helen's Furniture in Dewey from March 1975 to October 1996. Helen was a member of First Baptist Church in Dewey.

Survivors include two sons, Randy Williams and wife Cindy of New Bern, NC, and Ricky Williams of Dewey; daughter-in-law, Susan Williams in Joplin; seven grandchildren, Jennifer Tollefsrud and Michael, Shanna Powers and Kyle, Jessica Corsaro and Eric, Belinda Williams, Michelle Williams and Gene, Marilyn Miksell and Justin, and Shelly Dugan; 16 great-grandchildren, Ashley, Alex, Michael, Ava, Ella, Kelsie, Eugene, Alayah, Isaiah, Nicolette, Scarlett, Blake, Cameron, Lucas, Evie, and Aiyanna; and a host of other family and friends. She is preceded in death by her husband Happy Jack, her parents, two sons Robert and John; sister Eunice (Piper) Harvey, and two brothers John and Bill Piper.

Helen's family will receive friends at the Davis Family Funeral Home – Dewey Chapel, 918-534-3030, 113 S. Osage (Hwy. 75), Dewey, on Thursday, Jan. 7, from 6-8 p.m. Visitation will also be held 10-8 Thursday.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 8, at Dewey First Baptist, with Pastor Mark Wright officiating. Interment will follow in the Dewey Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home – Dewey Chapel. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at [www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com](http://www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Dewey Cemetery

HWY 75 North  
Dewey, OK 74029

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 7. 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel  
113 S Osage Ave  
Dewey, OK 74029  
(918) 534-3030  
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Family and Friends Gathering

JAN 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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113 S Osage Ave  
Dewey, OK 74029  
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## Funeral Service

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JAN 8. 2:00 PM (CT)

Dewey First Baptist Church  
300 E 10th St.  
Dewey, OK 74029  
<http://www.fbcdewey.org>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Helen Ruth Williams*



**Davis Family Funeral Home** - January 07, 2021 at 12:20 PM



“ *My sincerest condolences for the family of Aunt Helen. My mother was Happy Jack and Helen's niece Bonnie Williams, daughter of Lester "Buddy Williams".*

**Ronald Owens** - January 19, 2021 at 02:02 PM



“ *Elizabeth lit a candle in memory of Helen Ruth Williams*



**Elizabeth** - January 12, 2021 at 03:54 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Helen Ruth Williams.*



January 08, 2021 at 09:46 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen Ruth Williams.*



January 07, 2021 at 11:14 PM



“ *Such a very wonder caring, giving God blessed lady. We ill miss her greatly*

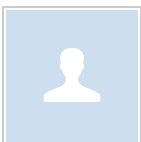
**Tommy and Rita Cartmell** - January 07, 2021 at 09:21 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Helen Ruth Williams.*



January 07, 2021 at 06:57 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Helen Ruth Williams.*



January 07, 2021 at 04:47 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Helen Ruth Williams.*



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January 07, 2021 at 03:16 PM



“ *Ms. Helen was an absolutely beautiful woman - both inside and out. We loved getting to sing with her on several occasions. One beautiful memory is sitting in her home singing the old hymns and some of the older gospel greats. She will be missed greatly but we know she is singing on the streets of Glory.*

*May the family feel the peace and comfort of the Lord during this time.*

*Tom & Marlene Lowe*

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**Linda Marlene Lowe** - January 07, 2021 at 01:16 PM



“ *Curtis & Elizabeth Booth lit a candle in memory of Helen Ruth Williams*



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**Curtis & Elizabeth Booth** - January 07, 2021 at 01:00 PM

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“ *As Christians Helen is not a part of your past. She is a part of your future. Thinking of you.*

*O. D. Turner*

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**O. D. Turner** - January 07, 2021 at 12:33 PM

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“ *Dewell and Shirley Turner and O.D. Turner purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Helen Ruth Williams.*



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**Dewell and Shirley Turner and O.D. Turner** - January 07, 2021 at 12:08 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen Ruth Williams.*



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January 07, 2021 at 10:03 AM

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“ *Randy & Ricky my prayers are with yall during this time. Aunt Helen was a special person & will truly be missed.*

*Tina Lucky ( Ruth Harvey's daughter)*

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**Tina Lucky** - January 06, 2021 at 07:13 PM