



## Helen Wheeler Grooms

July 4, 1928 - February 24, 2012

Helen Wheeler Grooms, 83, of Newport a devoted member of the First Christian Church entered her heavenly home Friday morning, February 24, 2012 at Fort Sanders Regional Hospital in Knoxville. She was a devoted member of the William Cocke chapter of DAR. And was retired nurse having worked for Dr. Drew Mims and Dr. Fred M. Valentine, Jr. One of her great joys was being able to help people. She was a U.T. Vol fan and very proud of her great grandson Krys Cates being named athlete of the year in conference. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bob Grooms, daughter, Jane Ann, parents Roy and Pearl Matthews Wheeler, sister, Anna Lou Smithpeters, brother, Reece Wheeler, son in law, Ronald Cates, granddaughter, Donna Cates Verdi, grandson, Michael Cates.

She is survived by her loving sons and daughters in laws, Bobby and Carole, Reece and Cheryl, Jimmy Dale and Tammy and daughter Jo Cates, grandchildren, Brian and wife Terri, Travis, Josh, Cody, Jake, Rhonda, Reece, 8 great grandchildren and 4 great great grandchildren, brothers and sisters in laws, R.J. and Polly Wheeler, Guy and Faye Wheeler, numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, special friends and neighbors and her church family.

Funeral service will be 8:00 p.m. Sunday, February 26, 2012 at the Manes Funeral Home Chapel with burial 11:00 a.m. Monday, February 27, 2012 in the Union Cemetery. Family will receive friends 6:00 until 8:00 pm Sunday prior to the service.

Family and friends may sign guest register on line at [www.manesfuneralhome.com](http://www.manesfuneralhome.com).

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Helen Wheeler Grooms*

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ *Reece & family thinking of you!*

**Randy & Reba Sutton** - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *I AM VERY SORRY ABOUT HELEN. SHE WILL CERTAINLY BE MISSED. SINCERELY, KATHY MCCARTER*

**KATHY MCCARTER** - March 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are keeping you in our prayers and thoughts. You have our deepest sympathy.*

**Pam & Terry Ball** - February 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *we are so sorry to hear the news of Helen's passing. Do know that our thoughts and prayers are with you always.*

**Charlene & Lanny Trentham** - February 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Helen's passing. She was a wonderful lady, who always had a smile. She will be missed. May God comfort you during this time of sorrow.*

**Kathy Hemsworth** - February 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ *Helen was a very special lady! She was always a calm presence in the middle of any storm and a rock of stability! Keeping you all in prayer. Love you my sweet Josh!* ”

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**Becky Dance** - February 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ID

“ *I loved Helen and she was always good to get me better when I was sick. Inez Dockery* ”

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**Inez Dockery** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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**Inez Dockery** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ *JAKE IM SO SORRY IF THERE IS ANYTHING I CAN DO FOR YOU JUST HOLLOW AT ME. I LOVE YOU VERY MUCH* ”

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**sissy newman** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ *so,sorry Helen was a wonderful person as well as a nurse.her husband Bob was my dads cousin.and i also worked with her at the hospital.every day she was the same person,a very loving kind person to every body. she will be missed.now she is an angel in hea* ”

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**Diane Justus** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ We were sorrowed when we got the paper last night to read about Helen. Helen Grooms was one of the best all around person in the world. Our family has loved her for years. We're so sorry we didn't get down there. It was too late when we found out. Our hea

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**Pam and Missy Herndon** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ We are so sorry.

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**Bob Arnold and family** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. Joseph and Helen were class mates.

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**Joseph and Bonnie Lewis** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ We extend our sympathy to your family in the passing of your mom.  
Raymond & Chris

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**Raymond & Chris Rick** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Helen was such a sweet person and good neighbor. I will surely miss seeing her on the porch with her friendly smile and cheerful wave.

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**Mary Lindsey** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ Reece, Cheryl, Cody, and Josh: Your family will continue to be in our thoughts and prayers during your mother's passing. She was a great lady! Duay and Kay

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**Kay Keener** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ *Helen Wheeler Grooms*

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**Chucky Evans** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ *Sorry for your loss. Your family has been in our prayers.*

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**Chucky and Amy Evans** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FE

“ *Your family is in our prayers.*

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**Fletcher and Penny Ervin** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ *Sorry for your loss.*

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**Peggy W. Lane** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Helen's passing and very sorry I could not come to the funeral home last night. Helen was a very special person in my life. I have many wonderful memories of her and I loved her dearly. Please know that all of you are in my tho*

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**Janey "Sissie" Clevenger Kinser** - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ *Jake, My heart aches for you and your family and the great loss of one of our greatest Church family members at FCC. Your grandmother loved you so much and I could see the sparkle in her eyes when she talked about you. She was my greatest nurse throughout*

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**Linda (Gregg) Franklin** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ So sorry for your loss she will be greatly missed.

Pat and Patricia Mathis Taylor - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ I'm So Sorry for the Lost of your Love one. God be with you at this time and give you strength to bear this loss. and may His Love impart the peace and understanding that bring comfort to you and your family at this time of sorrow. Victory & Earnestine

Earnestine Wright - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Sorry for your loss. God has taken another Angel home, who will be missed. Sorry I cannot be there! I am praying for you all! God Bless you and keep you in this time of Grief. All our love, Danny & Kelly McGalliard

Danny & Kelly McGalliard - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WP

“ Helen Wheeler Grooms

Wilma Proffitt - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Praying for your comfort. We were so sorry to hear of Helen's passing. We loved Helen dearly and she will be missed greatly, by so many! Debbie and Brooke Fullington, Barbara Campbell

Debbie Fullington - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FP

“ Helen Wheeler Grooms

Faye Holbert Parton - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *Your family in our thoughts and prayers. Kim and Julie*

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**kim huff** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

VC

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you Jimmy Dale & Tammy during this trying time. May God comfort you. Love you, Vava.*

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**Vava Cummings** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *Cheryl and Reese, I was so sad to see that your dear mother has passed. She was a special lady, I remember as a child her kindness and tenderness when treating us when we were sick. You're in my prayers.*

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**Debbie Sands** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *we are so sorry for your loss may god bless all of you*

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**randall&anna j. holt** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *Focus on the good times. Laughter through tears is a healing emotion. Peace be with you.*

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**Buddy and Gail Hawkins** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ *Amy and I are so sorry for your loss.*

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**John Dorsey** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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**Don and Ella Mae Large and Family** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MH

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**Marty Hall Kathy Hall** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PH

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**Patricia Hall** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TD

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**Tiffany Dover** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ *My Thoughts and Prayers are with all of you! May God Bless and Strengthen you at this time!*

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**Gail Smith** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ *Helen Wheeler Grooms*

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**paula sane** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ *Deepest sympathy, Todd Tammy and Austin Binkley*

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**tammy binkley** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ Our hearts go out 2 you with our deepest sympathy.

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**Todd Cummings & Brenda Banks Grahl** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ Bobby, Carole, Reece, Cheryl, Jimmy Dale, Tammy and Jo I'm sorry for your loss your mother was a beautiful person and a great friend I always enjoyed seeing her and getting a chance to talk with her she will will be missed by many

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**Bill Justus** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

HW

“ Helen Wheeler Grooms

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**HATTIE WILLIAMSON** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Kim & Julie

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**Kim Huff** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MV

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**Mike & Kathy Vick** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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**Paula Douglas** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Sorry to hear about your loss. Helen was one of the most influential Sunday School teachers I had. She made a positive impact on my life. She will be sadly missed. Praying for the family in this time of sorrow.

shari snapp webb - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Helen Wheeler Grooms

KATHY AND O.B. BARNETT - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ We are so sorry for your loss. We have fond memories of Helen. She always had a smile, something nice to say to us, and her Christianity shown. Our thoughts and prayers are with each of you. Also, my mom and dad, Ralph and Shelby Valentine send their

Jackie and Lisa Shelton - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ So sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Anna Ruth Murrell - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ Helen Wheeler Grooms

groman black - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ We are sorry for your loss, you are in our thoughts and prayers. Mildred, Gary and Larry Gregg.

Gary Gregg - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Please know our sorrow for your loss. This world has lost a gracious and gentle lady. My first memories of her are from my early grade school years. She was the quiet, soft spoken neighbor of my grandparents. In later years as their capacity to care f

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**Judy Buker** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ We're so very sorry to hear of your lose. If there's anything that we can do, please just ask.

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**Melissa & Gary Sisk** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Helen Wheeler Grooms

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**Louise & Jimmy Hux** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ Jimmy and Tammy, Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time. Ron,Debbie and Heather Greene

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**Debbie Greene** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Helen Wheeler Grooms

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**Betty Harrison** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Keeping all of you all in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Parker & Nanette Wilds** - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ *Reece, Cheryl, and Cody, your family is in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*

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**Renee Raines Morie** - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Helen was the truest example of the Proverbs 31 woman. Heaven surely held the grandest party upon her entrance. She will be missed by every person whose life she touched.*

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**Jerry and Melissa Gooms** - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ *Reece, Bobby & Jimmy Dale, so sorry for your loss. Charlie*

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**Charles W. Lewis** - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ *So sorry for your loss, I remember Helen from when I seen Dr Valentine. She was a very nice and caring woman. God Bless.*

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**Lisa Reed Raines** - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *With deepest sympathy Janella and Jan Carpenter*

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**Jan Carpenter** - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RP

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**Robert and Martha Pack** - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ *Helen Wheeler Grooms*

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**Wiley & Kate Morgan** - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FS

“ *JIMMY DALE AND FAMILY. I HAVE KNOW YOUR MOM FOR YEARS. SHE WAS SUCH A SWEET LOVING AND CARING PERSON. EVERYONE THAT KNEW HER LOVED HER. I ALWAYS'S LOVED FOR HER TO ME MY NURSE. ALSO I LOVED TO SEE HER IN FOOD CITY. GOD SURE HAS ANOTHER ANGEL! GOD BLESS*

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**Frances Standifer** - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *Praying for your loss at this time.Love and prayers to all Helen's family.From Beulah Gregory,KatySue Gregory Bowlin,Teresa GREGORY ASKEW, Freddy GREGORY, Barry GREGORY. And families.*

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**Katy Sue. Gregory. Bowlin** - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *Words are so inadequate during this time. Helen was an amazing lady and we loved her very much. We pray God will wrap each of you in His loving arms giving you love, comfort and peace. Rosa, Donnie and Chris Sutton Beatrice S. Brady*

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**Rosa Sutton** - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ *Sorry for your loss. She will be missed. Your families will be in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Amy Hall & Family** - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ Reese, i am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my prayers.

Lewis Rodgers - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ Helen Wheeler Grooms

Ronnie and Denise Depew - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ Sorry for your loss.

Tommy Allen - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ Lifelong Friend

Peggy & Fred Giles - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

D)

“ i am so sorry for your loss, i will keep you all in my thoughts always.

danny barnett( bubba ) - February 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Helen Wheeler Grooms

Linda D Clark - February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ I am sorry for your loss.

Ray Fancher - February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ *May God comfort you and your family.*

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**Perry Smith** - February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ *In deepest sympathy for your loss- Helen was a beautiful and compassionate lady. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Sherrie Dillard** - February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss.*

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**Linnie Denton** - February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ *You are in my prayers, may God bless and keep you. Ronald*

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**ronald miller** - February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ *So sorry to hear of your loss. My prayers will be with you. If there is anything we can do please let us know. We love you all.*

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**LISA Breeden** - February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *We are very sorry for the loss of your loved one. We will keep the family in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Mary Ann & Jay Chrisman** - February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Helen was a good friend of my mother, Grace Gibson. She was a wonderful lady. She will be missed by many!

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**Marjorie M Graham** - February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ To the family, I am so sorry to hear of Helen's passing. She was a very caring and loving person. She will be missed by all that knew and loved her. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. May God offer you all comfort in the days ahead. Louise(Gunter)Bro

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**Louise Brown** - February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM