



Helen Smith Ellison

November 2, 1944 - December 13, 2025

Helen Smith Ellison, 81 of Ozark, Arkansas passed away Saturday, December 13, 2025 in Ozark. She was born November 2, 1944 in Egypt, Arkansas to Robert Barrett and Juanita Hutchinson Barrett. Helen was of the Pentecostal faith, a member for 26 years at the Old Country Church in Ozark, and the wife of Pastor J.D. Ellison. She enjoyed fishing and playing and spending time with her grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; two daughters, Patty Smith and June Smith; and one granddaughter, Kalie Keys.

Helen is survived by her husband of 25 years, Roy J.D. Ellison; two sons, Billy Ray Smith and wife Donna of Fayetteville, Arkansas and Troy Ellison and wife Lia of Altus, Arkansas; one daughter, Kelly Keys of Liberal, Kansas; grandson that is just like a son, Justin Ellison and wife Adriana of Ozark; four sisters, Wanda Remmer and husband Herman of Cecil, Arkansas, Sheila Ward and husband Robert of Bella Vista, Arkansas, Teresa Benningfield of Bella Vista, and Deanna Stratton and husband Sherman of Cave Springs, Arkansas; and numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

Graveside service will be 2:00 P.M., Wednesday, December 17, 2025 at Cave Springs Cemetery, 503 E. Johnson Street Cave Springs, Arkansas, with Brother Donnie Ellison and Brother Billy Smith officiating, with burial at Cave

Springs Cemetery.

Serving as honorary pallbearers will be all of Mrs. Helen Smith Ellison's boys, who she loved dearly.

To leave an online memorial visit www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com

Cemetery Details

Cave Springs Cemetery

503 E. Johnson Street
Cave Springs, AR

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

Cave Springs Cemetery
503 E Johnson St
Cave Springs, AR 72718

This will be a graveside service only

Tribute Wall

BS

“Bradfords, Bakers and Strattons purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Helen Smith Ellison.



Bradfords, Bakers and Strattons - December 17, 2025 at 07:03 AM

CC

“Caleb Campbell purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Helen Smith Ellison.



Caleb Campbell - December 17, 2025 at 01:06 AM



“Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen Smith Ellison.



December 16, 2025 at 12:13 PM

DC

“Dean and Joan Collins purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Helen Smith Ellison.



Dean and Joan Collins - December 16, 2025 at 11:22 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Helen Smith Ellison.*



December 16, 2025 at 08:30 AM



“ *What a great lady! Prayers for you J D.. I sure she smiling in heaven..*

Ron Vest - December 15, 2025 at 08:18 PM



“ *Roxann Anzelone sent a virtual gift in memory of Helen Ellison*



Roxann Anzelone - December 15, 2025 at 04:25 PM



Nola Barrett sends condolences to the family. RIP Helen and give Roger a big hug from me.

Nola Barrett - December 16, 2025 at 05:31 PM