



## Helen Bach

August 6, 1945 - August 30, 2019

A memorial service will be held to celebrate the life of Helen Bach on Friday, Sep. 27 at 10:00am.

Location: Vineyard Anaheim  
5340 E La Palma Ave  
Anaheim, CA 92807

If you have any questions or would like to help in some way, please contact Rhonda or Valerie at 714-686-7344.

Thank you

# Tribute Wall

DF

“ I just found out today about Helen’s funeral service. It is very sad. As a cousin, we spent many summers together at Nana and Grandpa’s summer place besides visiting with Helen, JoAnn, and Lois when we were back in the States. Many wonderful memories. Our talent shows in the basement, playing tennis when I visited. JoAnn and Helen were very good. Woody and I will keep all of you in our thoughts and prayers. God bless you!

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**Druciilla DePioer French** - October 09, 2019 at 09:53 PM

SC

“ Life is not an accident. We took care of Helen for a reason. God brought her to us: for us to witness the essence of God’s beautiful creature of motherhood. We felt dearly the love of her children even to the last hours of her life. How wonderful our team felt to be a part of this God’s beautiful family. Helen, with God’s grace and Sacred Heart, is in the Father’s Hands. Her missions of spreading good deeds to the world had been accomplished. She will always be a star to be looked up in heaven. She will always be in our hearts and minds. She will always be loved and remembered.

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**superior care,** - October 03, 2019 at 04:28 PM

AW

“ I’m very very sorry to not be there today. We sent flowers which I hope arrived in time, with a condolence note attached. Much love from your cousin, Adrienne

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**Adrienne Weremchuk** - September 27, 2019 at 09:54 AM



“ Dear Bach family, my condolences and prayers for you as you navigate Helen's passing. While it is comforting to know that she and Jack are reunited for eternity, with all their faculties, worshiping at Jesus' feet, I know it has been a long goodbye. Hopefully, these words and memories from those of us who knew her and were impacted by her bring you comfort and solace. I had the pleasure of working with Helen at Desert Stream for five of the most important years of my life. I had met her years before while a Living Waters coordinator. I marvel at her evolution as a leader, surrendered to what God had for her, stepping into positions of leadership with transparency and authority.

*But none of us were truly surprised while watching her bloom in this capacity. We'd seen the way she led Luther and other Dobermans!! There was something paradoxical about her having Dobermans. Which was more fierce? Most certainly, she was! I think she applied a lot of what she learned from leading Dobermans to us as a staff and other leaders!!*

*Helen wholeheartedly supported me as I journeyed toward marriage and celebrated with Suzzie and I at our wedding and beyond.*

*Helen was always real - whether encouraging a leader, facing tragedy, or loving Jack and her family. She was a proud Mama and Grandma. That's how the real Helen Bach was and always will be remembered.*

*I wish I had the opportunity to introduce her to my sons. They would have immediately known why she meant a lot to me. I will miss her. I look forward to seeing her again on the other side where every tear will be wiped away. Helen, you loved well and were well-loved in return. Rest in peace, dear friend.*

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Dale DeMarchi - September 26, 2019 at 07:51 PM

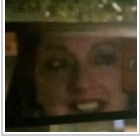
MS

“ Thank you Helen for being an important part of my healing journey. We knew you as "the LOVELY Helen Bach." Your warm and confident entrance brightened the atmosphere of the room as you walked in. I was in these groups to heal, to mend, and restore. It wasn't easy. You brought grace, hope, and truth into the room, which made the journey foreseeable. You reflected the mother-heart of God, which helped make it possible to mend relationship with my own mother. You leave a legacy of transformation in the wake of your surrender to Jesus. Thank you once again for honesty about your own journey and your faithfulness to HIM!!! Looking forward to the day when we will rejoice again together in the presence of Jesus!!!

*(one of many Living Waters participants mid-1990s)*

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**Mark Sanford** - September 23, 2019 at 12:54 AM



“ I met Helen in late 90s when the Anaheim Vineyard sent a Healing Team for a seminar at my Vineyard in Austin TX where I lived at the time.

*I've tried to find the words convey the effect Helen had on my life but it is difficult. The loss is profound.*

*She not only inspired trust but was willing to give trust. Rare.*

*Helen's impact was not to teach me about a key. She WAS the key that unlocked chains I didn't even know were there.*

*Growing up in ministry, I was a believer but detached from God in ways I wasn't even aware.*

*Basically incurably jaded and incapable of a truly trusting relationship with God .*

*Helen's being the Key was that she was the very antithesis of others who have accustomed themselves to being detached from people at a distance*

*I still only partially understand but she could speak one sentence that drew deep waters from closed parts of a person. Different from anything I had ever seen before or since !!*

*She always humbly denied any prophetic giftings but as I always reminded her, they were evident.*

*Supernatural power was behind her words because of her capacity for empathy and humility. It changed my entire view of everything.*

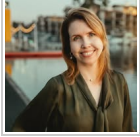
*This made her an exceptional person.*

*To me her death is difficult to accept and I will always miss her.*

*To Helen's family, I can't imagine your loss and hope the words written are of comfort.*

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**Deirdre Helms** - September 16, 2019 at 08:02 AM



“ *Bach family, I pray for comfort for you and that you are you filled with precious memories of your mom, grandma etc. I know there was nothing more important to her on earth than you, her family. Her personal healing became a resource for Jack in such a beautiful and redemptive way.*

*I worked with Helen at Desert Stream. She was so kind, firm, disciplined and consistent. Her words were most often carefully chosen and powerful. She had such a mother's heart. I remember her being proud of me for various things. I also remember her telling me that she worried that I should be playing more and having more fun in my life. I didn't know what she was talking about until years later. She was so wise and cared for me sweetly and wisely. She was a lovely and loving woman who shared herself with so many. Im grateful that now she is with the Jesus she loved so much.*

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**Catherine Morrill** - September 16, 2019 at 01:08 AM

BC

“ *I was in intern in DSM and my first time to live in the US in 2003 when I met Helen. She was warm and kind to me. She struck me as a lady who conducted herself with dignity and regal bearing. She led the very first Living Waters training I attended and I saw how she brought order & clarity yet with a heart of compassion to that weeklong, intense gathering. She had class, a no-frills lady whose every word count. I still remember to this day the time I turned 40 and when she learned about it, she exclaimed, “What you're 40? What a bummer! You look so young!” Whenever I'd feel old and aging, I'd remember this line and a smile would come out of my face. That smile only a Helen Bach could uniquely bring out! I miss you already!*

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**Benji Cruz** - September 15, 2019 at 06:10 PM

JH

“Helen was a lady of compassion and firmness. She could confirm you that you had committed the worse of sins and at the same time knew you were loved. She was defiantly a strong bridge that got you from shame and guilt into the loving arms of Christ of His forgiveness. She was gifted in causing many to grieve healthfully over their grave sins and in return brought powerful healing. She raised up and disciplined many strong healing leaders. I honestly can say Helen impacted my life tremendously and I learn so much from her. In her time with Desert Streams I heard her share a few times that she wanted to join her in daughter in-law and work at Lucky's supermarket and leave the ministry. It would be so much easier. However Helen remain faithful to DS through the Good, Bad and the ugly times. Her labor of love of several years would never be forgotten.

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**John Hayes** - September 15, 2019 at 05:36 PM

MP

“I worked with Helen for 6 years at DS. She was a deeply consistent person from the first day I worked with her till the last: full of warmth and kindness, great at encouraging others, compassionate, and genuinely invested in the lives of others (mine included). She was able to be loving in all of these ways while also being very truthful. She told you what she thought. Even if you didn't want to hear it. NY still lived in her. And the Holy Spirit used that forthrightness all the time. I love that (at least afterwards, if not in the moment). But she never harmed you with the truth. She used it to set you free. What an amazing woman! She loved the Lord, walked prayerfully with Him, was powerful in the Spirit, and shared that love with others.

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**Mark Pertuit** - September 15, 2019 at 02:24 AM

JC

“ *It's kind of funny but as I'm typing I can still hear her voice today. That does not happen with most people in my life so it says she left an impact. My times with Helen and at times with Jack were in the late 90's. Wow that like 20 years ago. But I remember her calmness, her patience, her laughter. I liked, I enjoyed Helen for she was, is a good woman and she will be missed.*

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**Jeff Coe** - September 14, 2019 at 08:10 PM

“ A message from Andy Comisky:

*Helen oversaw the most expansive season of Living Waters we've seen yet. Under her leadership we doubled the number of groups around this country. I'm sure many factors contributed to this, but her fierce mother heart drove the growth. She was a linebacker in gingham.*

*I discovered something I had never seen before. Early on, she shared with me a vision of her office crisscrossed with clothes' lines hung with white clean diapers. She said that reflected all the babies being born under her care and her willingness to change dirty diapers constantly. It kind of grossed me out.*

*Then I realized she was leading the charge as an integrated mother. She could dish it out with our snarky selves (at one point during an unusually unclean staff confession she blurted out: 'Get your hands off your crotches and raise them in worship!') but at core she was an organized, pro-active Mom who wanted nothing more than to come alongside younger ones and help them to do this exhilarating Living Waters stuff.*

*She knew others could do it because God enabled her to do it. Really well. I met Helen after I preached at Vineyard Anaheim in '93 and through my dorky inspiring story she felt emboldened to tell hers too. 'If Andy can talk about that stuff to a couple thousand people, I can too...'. She did; Helen learned how to teach/preach/pray/bear with others in an exemplary way. Others received from her generous heart and wanted to follow her, doing the stuff the way she did it.*

*Helen's family always came first. She was wired like that. I assumed she would go with us to Kansas City but I was wrong. Leaving her tribe was out of the question. She was held together by them, and they her. It was tough proceeding without her. I still miss her. I still hear leaders talk about how persistently kind and helpful Helen was*

*to them as they began the messy path to becoming healers. She changed their diapers shamelessly. Thanks Helen. You left the Church more whole and pure and merciful than when you entered her, a place where broken people get better.*

*Andy*

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**Dan Bach** - September 04, 2019 at 10:41 PM