



## Obituary

**Born:** Monday, January 1, 1945

**Died:** Wednesday, January 2, 2019

Diana Dale Helm, age 74, of Milton, IL died on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at her residence. She was born on January 1, 1945 in Pearl, the daughter of John and Doris Lane McBrian. She married Lavern Helm on December 20, 1963 at Pearl Church of Christ, and he preceded her in death on January 23, 2006.

Diana graduated from Pearl Grade School and East Pike High School. Right out of high school, she worked for A.W. Schimmel, Sr. as a legal secretary, then as a bookkeeper in the office of Brown Shoe Company. She also worked as a secretary for East Pike School, and a bookkeeper for Prairie Fertilizer, Jiffi Stop, Amoco, and eventually retired as a PMR at the Milton Post Office. She enjoyed sewing, crafting, building floats for the Milton Corn Carnival, helping with Mounted Angels, and especially loved going to yard sales. The most important thing in her life was her family, kids, and grandchildren, and being a member of the Church of Christ in Pearl.

## Service Summary

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### Graveside Service

10:00 AM Sat Jan 05, 2019

### Greenpond Cemetery

Rural

Pearl, Illinois 62361

She is survived by her son, Tom (Deb) Helm of Milton, IL; daughter, Barbara (Mark) Ballinger of Milton, IL; and two grandchildren, Michael Phillips and Kerri Ballinger, both of Milton, IL.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband of 43 years, Lavern Helm.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, January 5, 2019 at 10:00 AM at Greenpond Cemetery near Pearl, IL. There will be no visitation. Memorials are suggested to Pearl Church of Christ or Illini Community Hospital Oncology Department. Online condolences may be left to the family at [www.nieburfh.com](http://www.nieburfh.com). Niebur Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Charitable donations may be made in Diana's memory to the following organizations:

### Church of Christ of Pearl

Pearl, IL

### Illini Community Hospital Oncology Department