

Artist Helen Draper Caswell Dies at Age 93

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GOUVERNEUR — Helen D. "Nonnie" Caswell, 93, of 81 Park St., an artist, died Friday at the Cedars Nursing Home, Ogdensburg, where she had been a resident since Nov. 15.

The funeral will be at the convenience of the family with the Rev. Frederick Leach, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery.

Arrangements are with the Sprague-French Funeral Home.

Donations may be made to Trinity Episcopal Church or the Gouverneur Volunteer Rescue Squad.

Mrs. Caswell is survived by a son, Nelson R., Jacksonville, Fla.; a daughter, Honey C. Whalen, Gouverneur; 10 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren.

A son, George R. Caswell Jr., two brothers, Herbert and William Draper, and two sisters, Marion Hermon and Frances Vines, died

before her.

Mrs. Caswell was born April 9, 1897, in Gouverneur, a daughter of William and Grace Keech Draper.

She was graduated from Gouverneur High School in 1915 and from Watertown Business School in 1916. She worked as a secretary at the Gouverneur Lace Mill from 1916 to 1918 and was a lifelong village resident.

She married George R. Caswell on May 31, 1917, at Trinity Episcopal Church, with the Rev. William A. Braithwaite officiating. Mr. Caswell died Dec. 2, 1955.

Mrs. Caswell was an artist who specialized in local landscapes and architectural scenes. She had a display at Gouverneur Historical Museum in 1985.

She was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church and an avid bridge player and had been a member of the Gouverneur Bowling League.