

# Helen Bliss



Mrs. Helen Leary Bliss, 66, of 208 Willard Way died in Tompkins County Hospital on Thursday, Jan. 1, 1969. She had been the vice principal in the administrative department of Ithaca High School, retiring in 1962.

Mrs. Bliss taught high school English and Social Studies in the Ithaca system on a half-time basis for nine years, starting in 1953; in September 1952, she was appointed principal's assistant in charge of attendance. She had been active in the PTA.

Mrs. Bliss was active in Girl Scouts and served on the Community Chest for a time, was a member of St. Paul's Methodist Church and the PEO Sisterhood of Ithaca.

She is survived by her husband, Frank R. Bliss, a former Ithaca High School principal; two sons, Richard in Kailua, Hawaii, and Harlan Bliss of Haworth, N.J.; a foster son, Julio Gomez-Ortega of Ithaca; nine grandchildren; and a brother, Fred G. Leary of Portland, Ore.

Services will be at 4:30 p.m. Sunday in St. Paul's Methodist Church. The Rev. Sheldon Stephenson will officiate. Burial will be private in East Lawn Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

There are no calling hours. Wagner Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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