Long time Georgist, teacher, friend to many and Common Ground-NYC member Helene Breban passed away September 29, 2015 in New York City at the age of 90. Helene was born March 25, 1925 and was from a village in the Carpathian Mountains. A holocaust survivor, she came to the US in 1952, having lost all connection with her family in Europe. She lived for some time in Pennsylvania, but mostly in New York City. Helene was a graduate student at CUNY in Sociology and transferred out of that Graduate program to the New School. She met the late Bruce Oatman of the Henry George School in New York City and dedicated herself to teaching classes from 2004-2010. She was an active member of Common Ground-NYC, conveying her wisdom and wry humor along with underlying passion for humanity.

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