

RESUME

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BIRTHPLACE: Boston , MA

SCHOOLS:

Watertown High School, 1951 graduate, honors

Katharine Gibbs School, 1952 certificate

Harvard University Extension, ADA (BA equivalent) in humanities, 1960

WORKSHOP AND COURSES:

Harvard University Extension School, Advanced Poetry, Gail Mazur, 1996

Harvard Summer School, Modern Poetry, Paul Engle, 1954

Extension and Summer School, American Literature, Howard Mumford Jones

EMPLOYMENT:

Watertown Public Library, 1949-1951

Harvard University, Widener Library 1960-1961

The Armenian Mirror-Spectator, editor 1964-66, 1975-80, contributor 1981-

Harvard University Printing Office, proofreader, 1982-1989

MEMBERSHIPS:

National Association for Armenian Studies and Research

Armenian Missionary Association of America

Museum of Fine Arts, Boston

Harvard Extension Alumni Association

Harvard Alumni Association

PUBLISHED POEMS IN American literary journals including *Half Tones to Jubilee*, *North American Review*, *Louisiana Literature*, *The Hollins Critic*, *Journal of the Society for Armenian Studies*, *Weber: The Contemporary West* and many others.

Anthologies:

Arveste II, 1962

Ararat: A Decade of Armenian-American Writing, 1969

Armenian North-American Poets (Canada), 1974

Armenian-American Poets: A Bilingual Anthology, 1976

Anthology of Magazine Verse & Yearbook of American Poetry, 1981

Ararat, Twenty-five Years of Writing, 1985

Forgotten Bread: First Generation Armenian American Writers, 2007

PUBLISHER: Established Ohan Press in 1983 as a private family-run micropress

Carvings from an Heirloom: Oral History Poems by Helene Pilibosian, 1983

They Called Me Mustafa: Memoir of an Immigrant by Khachador and Helene Pilibosian, 1992

From Kessab to Watertown: A Modern Saga by H. H. Sarkissian, 1996

At Quarter Past Reality: New and Selected Poems by Helene Pilibosian, 1998

They Called Me Mustafa: Memoir of an Immigrant by Khachador and Helene Pilibosian, second edition, 1999

The Collected Articles of H. H. Sarkissian, Printed in the Armenian Press 1935-1961 (in Armenian), 2000

The Collected Works of Khachador Pilibosian, (in Armenian), 2002

Character or The Guide to Life (in Armenian) by Henry Varnum, 2003

History's Twists: The Armenians, poems by Helene Pilibosian, 2008

My Literary Profile: A Memoir by Helene Pilibosian, 2010

A New Orchid Myth by Helene Pilibosian, 2014

RECOGNITION:

The Magical Pine Ring, Armenian-American Literature by Prof. Margaret Bedrosian

Armenian-American Literature by Prof. Lorne Shirinian

Memory Fragments from the Armenian Genocide: A Mosaic of a Shared Heritage by

Margaret DiCanio

In God's Name: Genocide and Religion in the Twentieth Century by Omer Bartov and

Phyllis Mack

Like One Family: The Armenians of Syracuse by Arpena Mesrobian

Greenwood Encyclopedia of Multiethnic American Literature

President Calvin Coolidge and the Armenian Orphan Rug by Dr. Hagop Martin Deranian

Beyond White Gloves by Rose Doherty (Gibbs)

EDITOR:

Dust to Destiny by Naomi Topalian

People, Places and Moultonborough by Naomi Topalian

From Kessab to Watertown: A Modern Saga by H. H. Sarkissian et al

They Called Me Mustafa: Memoir of an Immigrant by Khachador and Helene Pilibosian

PRIZES:

Armenian Allied Arts Association, first prize, 1974

Pteranodon Award (NFSPS), 1980

Wind Literary Journal Award (NFSPS), 1982

Writer's Digest, First Prize, National Self-Published Book Awards, 1998

The Madison Review finalist 1986

Half Tones to Jubilee finalist 1990

The Sandhills Review finalist

NEW LETTERS finalist 1998

Appreciation for *They Called Me Mustafa* at Boston State House

Writer's Digest, Honorable Mention for *History's Twists*, International Self-Published Book Awards, 2009

Lucidity Clarity Contest, first place, 2012

New England Book Festival 2012 – honorable mention for *My Literary Profile: A*

Memoir

PUBLICITY AND REVIEWS:

Newspapers and Magazines: *Ararat*, *The Armenian Mirror-Spectator*, *Nor Or*, *Writer's Digest*, *The Armenian Reporter*, *Raft* (Cleveland State University), *California Courier*, *Watertown Tab*, amazon.com, *The Midwest Review*, *Journal of the Society for Armenian Studies*; Flyers; Barnes & Noble Distribution Center; Borders listing; R. R. Bowker listings.

Baker & Taylor listings

Industry Services, NACS Inc. listing

Thousands of Internet listings
Small Press Books in Print
Google
Yahoo
Publisher's Directory, The Gale Group
Kirkus Reviews

CONTRACT

2003, *They Called Me Mustafa: Memoir of an Immigrant* licensed to Alexander Street Press for electronic database *North American Immigrant Letters, Diaries, and Oral Histories*.

READINGS:

1985, Tekeyan Cultural Association book launch
1994, St. James Women's Group and Armenian Memorial Church Women's Group
on *They Called Me Mustafa*
1997, Review talk on *From Kessab to Watertown*
1999, Watertown Library, April 28
Baikar Association, Armenian Independence Day, September 19
Armenian Library and Museum, November 14
Beverly Public Library, December 5
2000, Poetry Workshop of Harold Bond, February 12
Watertown Library (for *The Larcom Review*), March 26
Watertown Senior Center, September 20
2007, National Association for Armenian Studies and Research, October 18
2008, Watertown Senior Center, April 10
2008, Poems for Armenian Genocide video, April 15
2009, Talk on Armenian Genocide, Armenian Memorial Church, May 3
2010, Watertown Senior Center, November 17
2010, Watertown Library, December 11
2011, National Association for Armenian Studies and Research, August 11
2014, Harvard Extension School Innovation Symposium, Harvard University

PLANS:

Continue to submit poems to many competitions and magazines