



## Brenda F. Wilson

December 26, 1944 - April 13, 2026

Brenda Faye Wilson, age 81, passed away peacefully at the Blue Water Hospice Home on April 13, 2026, with family by her side. She was born on December 26, 1944, in Lynchburg, Virginia. She moved to Marine City, Michigan in 1976, and called it home for the rest of her life.

Brenda started a family early in life and later graduated from the Adult Learning Center in Marine City. She spent 24 years with Chartwells as a Food Service Manager, overseeing the school lunch programs for the East China and other local school districts. Many people in town knew her from her 20 years of waitressing at the Riveria Restaurant on the weekends, where she loved meeting and talking to new people. She served her community through fundraising efforts for restoration projects and as an active member of the Marine City Rotary and Summer Festival Committee for four years.

Brenda was an endlessly curious person. For most of her life, she read the newspaper front to back every evening. She was also strong and fiercely independent; she forged her own path in life and was never afraid to try new things. Through the years, she was always up for an adventure; she enjoyed travel, shopping, movies, music and the arts. She was a life-long fan of Conway Twitty and Elvis Presley. In her later years, she enjoyed Hallmark movies, QVC home shopping, road trips to see family in Virginia and spending time with her beloved great-granddaughters, Avery and Ellie.

Brenda is survived by her mother, Virginia Lowe; her sister, Shirley Wheeler, brother, Lewis Ayers Jr., and sister, Barbara Ayers, all of Buena Vista, Virginia;

her 3 children, Jackie (Trish) Wilson of Columbus, Kim Gauthier of St. Clair, and Darian (Kira) Walkup of Traverse City; 7 grandchildren, Emily, Lauren, Lindsey, Brian, Jackie (Scooter), Leah, and Reese; and several great-grandchildren.

The family will hold a celebration of her life this summer in Marine City.

View obituary and share memories at [www.jowettfuneralhome.com](http://www.jowettfuneralhome.com)

Jowett Funeral Home is privileged to serve the Wilson Family

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Brenda was always very good to us myself my brother Chris and my sister Melissa she always treated us like her own many Summers we spent with our dad under her care I remember with her Kim and I went to West Virginia and to Virginia Beach we had a blast thank you for those memories Brenda rest in peace*

Theresa McKenzie Vasquez - April 23 at 12:09 PM

MB

“ *Brenda was always so kind and loving. I will remember her as a plus Mom*



Melissa McKenzie Brooks - April 20 at 02:59 PM

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“ *I always looked up to Ms Brenda when I was just a little girl even though she moved my best friend to Michigan (Kim). She was a strong woman. She will be in my heart and prayers! Prayers to her family.*

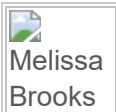
Rebecca Robertson - April 20 at 11:28 AM

DA

“ I will always cherish memories of my mom. She was a force throughout my life. Her love and support forged who I am today. Her legacy will be carried forward wherever I go, forever an angel on my shoulder. I know she is resting peacefully now after her long and eventful journey.



Darian - April 18 at 02:33 PM



*I really did love and cherish your mom*

**Melissa Brooks** - April 20 at 03:00 PM

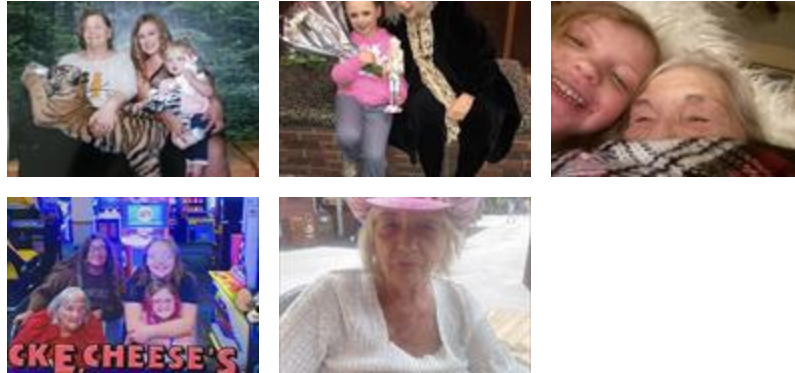


*Your mom was like 2nd family to me AND I know my mom enjoyed spending time with yours. Growing up SHE was tough but in the BEST way. I will always regret not having her at my wedding.*

**Mike White** - April 20 at 03:12 PM

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“ 9 files added to the tribute wall



lindsey - April 17 at 08:55 PM

BE

“ I worked with Brenda at the Riviera and Chartwell for about 12 years. I'll miss talking to her but most of all I will miss laughing with her.

♥ "Barbara Jean"

BARBARA EDGEWORTH - April 17 at 08:12 PM

RH

“ robert h. lit a candle in memory of Brenda Wilson



robert h. - April 15 at 08:17 PM

AN

“ *anonymous lit a candle in memory of Brenda Wilson*



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**anonymous** - April 15 at 04:36 PM

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“ *She was a woman of great passion, she brought her grandson into this world 26yrs. ago April 12, her hands were the first to hold his, and in full circle he held her hand and passed it to heaven. REST IN GLORY MOM DEEPLY MISSED, FOREVER LOVED. JACKIE WAYNE, TRISH, SCOOTER*



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**Jackie Wilson** - April 15 at 08:39 AM