



Ms. Brenda Valerie Lenyard

April 3, 1942 - June 28, 2018

Celebrating The Life Of Brenda Valerie Lenyard:

The loving Brenda Valerie Lenyard was born to the blessed union of the late Mr. Robert Arthur Lee Davis Blue and the late Ezil May Nance Blue of Detroit, MI on April 3, 1942. Brenda was the eldest of three (3) children; sister Veronica (Cuppy) and brother Robert (Bobby).

In 1959, Brenda married George Thomas Lenyard, her lifelong soul mate. Brenda had five (5) children; Brian, Cherilyn, Sharon, Darrian, and DeLance.

Brenda was raised by her maternal grandfather, Robert Nance, who preceded her in death. She attended Detroit Public Schools and obtain an associates degree in Social Work at Wayne College Community College in the early 70s. During this time as social worker, she worked for the League of Goodwill at Howard Homes. Brenda's passion for working with people continued throughout her life.

In May of 1973, Brenda moved to Robson St. on the west side of Detroit, MI. There, she continued to raise all of her children including her eldest grandson, TyQuan. As a staple in the neighborhood, she enjoyed spending time with her nearby neighbors, Ms. Genia Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Hollingshed, and the entire Robson St. community. She loved planting flowers and gardening. Brenda also enjoyed her "sweets," everything from chocolate cakes to bread pudding,

but Brenda was best known for her famous 7-UP cakes and egg custard pies. Playing cards, puzzles, spending time with friends and family, shopping, and keeping the children engaged and inline would also describe her passions.

In 1996, Brenda was diagnosed with breast cancer. For over an unprecedented 20 years, Brenda battled cancer in various areas of her body. It started with her breast then to her spine. After which, it spread to her liver and lastly to her neck. Her belief in God never wavered nor did the strength God echoed back into her. In April of 2003, with cancer on her spine, Brenda was told by doctors she never walk again. Six months later Brenda was a walking miracle. In 2005, Brenda was told her life expectancy would not exceed six months after an episode of congestive heart failure. Thirteen years later, Brenda was still shopping. Brenda never lost her spirit and continued to live her life to the fullest.

On June 28, 2018 at 4:28 p.m., Brenda lost her hard fought battle and made her transition.

Cemetery Details

Elmwood Cemetery

1200 Elmwood Ave.
Detroit, MI 48207

Previous Events

Visitation

Friday, Jul. 6. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 838-9770
info@pyefuneralhome.com

Family Hour

Saturday, Jul. 7. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
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Funeral Service

Saturday, Jul. 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Brenda Valerie Lenyard*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Brandon, Ced, Mikey, RJ & Antell your extended brothers purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ms. Brenda Valerie Lenyard.*



Brandon, Ced, Mikey, RJ & Antell your extended brothers - July 05, 2018 at 04:05 PM



“ *Rev. Tom and Selena Hollingshed Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ms. Brenda Valerie Lenyard.*



Rev. Tom and Selena Hollingshed Family - July 05, 2018 at 11:15 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ms. Brenda Valerie Lenyard.*



July 03, 2018 at 08:30 AM

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“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. May the God of all comfort embrace you with peace and hope during this difficult time. Rev 21:4*

Ms Laverne - July 01, 2018 at 05:01 PM