

## IF I KNEW

If I knew it would be the last time that I would see you fall asleep, I would tuck you in more tightly and pray to the Lord your soul to keep.

If I knew it would be the last time that I'd see you walk out the door, I would give you a hug and kiss and call you back for one more.

If I knew it would be the last time I'd hear your voice lifted up in praise, I would videotape each action and word so I could play them back day after day.

If I knew it would be the last time, I could spare an extra minute or two and say "I love you", instead of assuming you would KNOW I do.

If I knew it would be the last time I would be there to share your day, well, I'm sure you'll have so many more, so I can let just this one slip away.

For surely there's always tomorrow to make up for an oversight, and we always get a second chance to make everything right.

There will always be another day to say our "I love you's", and certainly there's another chance to say our "Anything I can do's"

But just in case I might be wrong, and today is all I get, I'd like to say how much I love you and I hope we never forget:

Tomorrow is not promised to anyone young or old alike, and today may be the last chance you get to hold your loved one tight.

So if you're waiting for tomorrow, why not do it today? For if tomorrow never comes, you'll surely regret the day that you didn't take that extra time for a smile, a hug, or a kiss, and you were too busy to grant someone what turned out to be their one last wish.

So hold your loved ones close today, and whisper in their ear that you'll always hold them dear. Take time to say, "I'm sorry", "Please forgive me", "Thank you", or "It's okay". And if tomorrow never comes, you'll have no regrets about today.

IN LOVING MEMORY  
OF



## BRENDA L. HOLLAND

SUNRISE  
DECEMBER 13, 1949

SUNSET  
JUNE 14, 2026

FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2026 - 12 P.M.  
(VIEWING - 11 AM)

CAGGIANO MEMORIAL HOME  
62 GROVE ST., MONTCLAIR, NJ 07042



# OBITUARY



IN LOVING MEMORY OF BRENDA LOUISE HOLLAND  
DECEMBER 13, 1949 - JUNE 14, 2026

Brenda Louise Holland, beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt, cousin, and friend, peacefully departed this life on June 14, 2026, at the age of 76. Born on December 13, 1949, at Mountainside Hospital in Glen Ridge, New Jersey,

Brenda was the cherished daughter of Nelson Brown and Lee Nora Brown. A woman of determination and faith, she earned her GED at 19 and later received her Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) certification from Essex County Community College.

Brenda devoted her life to caring for others. She worked for more than 30 years at Essex County Hospital Center (formerly Overbrook Asylum) and later continued her healthcare career on a per diem basis at Mountainside Hospital until her retirement in 2019. Her compassion, dedication, and warm spirit touched countless lives throughout her career.

A devoted believer in Jesus Christ, Brenda found joy in life's simple blessings. She loved animals, fishing, gardening, watching *Law & Order: SVU*, *Empire*, and *Judge Judy*, and taking trips to Atlantic City. Her kindness, strength, and sense of humor made her a treasured presence to all who knew her.

Above all, Brenda loved her family. She leaves to cherish her memory her daughter, Sherry D. Osborne (Robert L. Osborne Jr.); her son, Ernest D. Caldwell (Hassana Scarborough Caldwell); her grandchildren, Candace R. Wells and Jessica J. Forrest (Xontray Forrest); and her great-grandchildren, Jakhia, Marsel Jr., Ma'Leia, and Josiah. She was preceded in death by her parents, Nelson Brown and Lee Nora Brown, and her siblings, Alice P. Overbey, James E. Overbey, and Charles L. Overbey.

Brenda's life was a testament to faith, hard work, love, and resilience. She leaves behind a legacy of compassion and cherished memories that will live on in the hearts of all who loved her.

Brenda never said "goodbye"—she always said, "See you later." So today, we do not say goodbye to her. We simply say, "See you later," until we meet again.

*"Her life was a blessing, her memory a treasure. She was loved beyond words and will be missed beyond measure."*

Forever loved. Forever remembered. Forever in our hearts.



# ORDER OF SERVICE



Processional

Hymn: "Amazing Grace"

Scripture Readings

-Robert L. Osborne Jr. (*Son-In-Love*)

Carol Perkins (*Dear Friend*)

Song Selection: "Deliver Me"

Prayer

Lee Osborne

Acknowledgments

Sonya Laprade

Song Selection: "Precious Lord"

Expressions of Love

*Please limit your remarks to two minutes*

Obituary Reading

Candace Wells (*Granddaughter*)

Poem: "If I Knew"

Jakhia Timmons (*Great Granddaughter*)

Eulogy

Rev. Dennis Malloy

Recessional

Committal Service

Rosedale Cemetery (408 Orange Rd., Montclair, NJ 07042)

Repass

Montclair Women's Community Circle (33 Woodland Ave., Montclair, NJ 07042)

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May God Bless and Keep You All

-The Family-