

## Obituary

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She was mostly raised in the Indiana community of Manchester and spent many of her adult years also living in that area. She attended Manchester Grade School, then graduated from Aurora High School in 1967. After high school, she worked at Cochran Chair Factory in Aurora. In 1979 she began an enjoyable and dedicated 45-year career working in various office positions at Stedman Machine Company where she retired from in 2025. She was a member of the Milan American Legion Auxiliary Post #235.

Brenda is survived by her two children, Tom (Leslie) Robbins of Noblesville and Becky (Keith) Robbins of Milan; three sisters, Merlene (Danny) Baxter of Moores Hill, Paula (Ron) Clements of Milan, and Cathy (Lisa) Short of Berea, Kentucky; one aunt, Betty Miller of Vandalia, OH; five grandchildren, Tim, Wesley, Carly, Annie and Tanner; four nieces and nephews, Doug, Danielle, Jessie and Will; as well as a host of cousins and special friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Rhonda; and two nephews, David and Dennis.

Brenda was a character. She was a fun, enjoyable and good-natured person with a forgiving heart. She enjoyed working in the yard, flowers, crafting, playing games, music, Keith Urban, attending concerts and shows, casino hopping (especially in Vegas), tattoos, visiting with friends, traveling (especially to the beach in Venice, FL), shopping, eating out, shopping some more and then eating out some more. She said she was like her Aunt Betty in that she wasn't born to cook. And even though she didn't believe it, she was a great cook, always willing to try out a new recipe. But her favorite enjoyment was spending time with her family. She was so happy that she and her sisters were also friends, spending time with each other during weekly sister chats, weekly dinners, attending a variety of concerts and comedy shows and going on vacations together, including several cruises. She was proud of the accomplishments of Tom and Becky and of the lives that they were carving out for themselves and their families. She cherished every moment she spent with them.

Those who knew and loved Brenda will greatly miss her. In honoring Brenda's wishes, cremation was chosen. For family and friends that wish to honor Brenda, a Celebration of Life will be held on May 24, 2026 at Moores Hill Volunteer Fire Department, 16907 Manchester Street, Moores Hill, IN 47032 from 3 until 8 p.m. She will be remembered at Little Memory Church Cemetery in Sunman.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Milan Rescue 30 (212 Maple Street, Milan, IN 47031), Little Memory Church Cemetery Fund (5709 E. County Road 1150 N., Sunman, IN 47041), or to the American Heart Association.

To share fond memories, offer personal condolences, or to sign the online guestbook, please visit [www.cookrosenberger.com](http://www.cookrosenberger.com). The staff of Cook Rosenberger Funeral Home are honored to care for Brenda and her family during this time.

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So he put his arms around her  
and whispered, "Come with Me."

With tearful eyes we watched  
her suffer, and saw her fade away.  
Although we loved her dearly,  
we could not make her stay.

A golden heart stopped beating,  
hard working hands to rest.  
God broke our hearts to prove to us,  
He only takes the best.

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*Moore's Hill Volunteer Fire Department*

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*Sunman, Indiana*

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