



## Dorothy Brenda Osborn

July 18, 1942 - January 6, 2021

Dorothy Brenda Osborn went home to Heaven on January 6, 2021. Born July 18, 1942 in Baltimore, MD to John and Edith O'Neal. Family moved to Miami, FL in 1943. Brenda attended 11 schools from K-12h, in Miami, FL, Ohio, and Illinois. After graduation from Andrew Jackson High (Miami), she moved to Rockford, IL and married Bill Roggensack. After 22 years they divorced. They had three children: Mark, Laurie, and Stephen. In 1984, (in SC) married William Smith and retired back to FL. After 23 years together he passed on to heaven. Returning to IL from FL (to join family), she renewed a friendship that blossomed into a sweet abiding love and marriage to David D. Osborn.

Brenda embraced life wholeheartedly, giving back to others unreservedly. There were many momentous occasions and memorable experiences woven throughout her journey. But the most meaningful moment that prevailed and carried her was when she gave her life to her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, at age 13. That personal relationship was foundational to her self-worth, value to the Kingdom of God and His purposes, and future for her. She was immovable regarding the truth of His Word and that He, Jesus Christ, was exactly who He said He was and will always and ever be, for eternity. It was her Granny O'Neal that was instrumental in sharing the Gospel and love to Brenda. Survived by: beloved husband, Dave; son, Mark (Debi); daughter, Laurie Cory (Mike); son, Steve (Jeanne); brothers, Patrick, nephew, Sean; grandchildren, Jerred & Rachel, Andrew, Crystal, & Stephanie, Christian, Jacob, & Lexi; great grandchildren, Ava & Marshall; sister-of my-heart,

Andrea; Lifetime BFF, Judy; girlfriends, Cindy, Judy & Karen; honorable mention and affection to Craig, Mary, & Spring (Smith) and family. Also to the many not listed but know that because our lives crossed paths, blessing flowed. Of course must mention devoted pets, Corky & Misty (deceased), & Peaches. Also deceased is brother, John; and friend, Gail. Thanks for the memories each and every one created indelibly on her heart and extended a sense of belonging for always. In lieu of flowers a fund is established to purchase a public park bench In Memoriam at one of Brenda's most loved oasis' located at Morton (Swan) Lake in Lakeland, Florida. Checks may be sent to David Osborn, 9561 Anglers Way, Lakeland, FL 33810-2357. Visitation on Thursday, January 14, 2021 from 11 am to 12 pm at Grace Funeral & Cremation Services, 4301 N. Main St. Rockford, followed by a funeral service at noon. Pastor Keith Manley will officiate. Please practice social distancing and wear a face cover. A live web cast of the funeral service can be watched at 12 pm here: <http://www.gracefh.com/obituaries/permalink/9791535/LTWebcast> Interment in North Burritt Union Cemetery. Share a message of condolence at [www.graceFH.com](http://www.graceFH.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 14. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Grace Funeral & Cremation Services  
4301 N. Main St.  
IL 61103

## Funeral Service

JAN 14. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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IL 61103

## Graveside Service

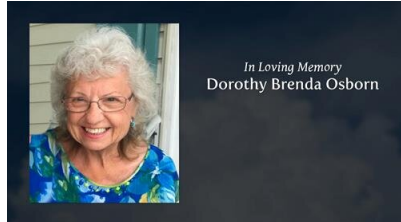
JAN 14. 1:45 PM - 2:00 PM.

North Burritt Cemetery

# Tribute Wall



“ Grace Funeral & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Dorothy Brenda Osborn



Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - January 14, 2021 at 10:20 AM



“ Grace Funeral & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Dorothy Brenda Osborn



Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - January 08, 2021 at 01:13 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Don Yechwando - May 12, 2021 at 08:07 PM

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“ Beautiful ❤️ and loving memories of Dorothy's life with family she's very Blessed We know that her name 🙏 is written in God's book of Life

Diane Eshelman - January 14, 2021 at 12:12 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Dorothy Brenda Osborn.



January 13, 2021 at 04:41 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dorothy Brenda Osborn.



January 13, 2021 at 11:09 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Mark Roggensack - January 13, 2021 at 10:32 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dorothy Brenda Osborn.*



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January 12, 2021 at 08:32 PM



“ *73 years of friendship memories will sustain me until we meet again my dearest friend.  
My sincere condolences to all of your loved ones. You will be sorely missed by many.  
BFF Judy Dunneman Jackson 💙*

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**Julia "Judy" Jackson** - January 11, 2021 at 01:33 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss Dave and family. Our hope is to all meet again by Gods grace and mercy.  
God Bless you.  
Barb and Paul Taylor*

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**Barb and Paul Taylor** - January 09, 2021 at 06:24 PM



“ *My condolences to Dave and Brenda families 🙏 I knew Brenda for a very short time. Whenever we meant for a neighborly conversation Brenda always greeted me with a smile that always made my day I know God greeted Brenda with open arms and s smile*

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**Diane Eshelman** - January 09, 2021 at 02:47 PM