



Brenda Francis Cross

August 9, 1941 - January 15, 2020

Brenda Francis Cross (Stauch), 78, of Monrovia, entered the gates of heaven on Wednesday, January 15, 2020, in The Meadows of Mooresville. She was born in Indianapolis on August 9, 1941, to the late Gerald and Mary (Johnson) Stauch.

Growing up on the east side, Brenda was a Warren Central High School Alum. She met her future husband, Allen, on a double date at the Fountain Square Movie Theatre. He won her heart and they were united in marriage on June 24, 1960. The pair moved from Indianapolis in 1978 and settled into life at Patton lake to raise their family. He spoiled her rotten throughout their marriage, and lovingly referred to her as “Red”.

Crafty by nature, Brenda submersed herself in the joys of creating art. She enjoyed gardening, cooking and making her own jewelry. Later in life she discovered her passion as a talented painter, taking trips to Nashville with her best friend, Pam, to participate in classes. A dedicated member of the Poplar Grove United Methodist Church, Brenda adored her church family, as well as her own family. She was a loving and cherished mother, grandma and nana; hosting all holiday events.

With an unwavering demeanor and fashionable appearance, Brenda had a tasteful way of expressing herself to others. A fancy, yet fair woman, she didn't

sugar coat the truth; she gave it to you straight from the hip. She will be deeply missed by her family and friends.

Along with her parents, Brenda was preceded in death by her husband, Allen Cross; infant brothers and her beloved daughter, Kimberley Cross.

Brenda leaves behind her children, Todd Cross (wife, Barb) of Martinsville, and Lisa Craig (husband, Jim) of Monrovia; grandchildren, Charissa Ross (husband, Travis) of Monrovia, Felicia Hamblen (husband, Kraig) of Louisiana, and Derrek Craig of Monrovia; great grandchildren, Payton, Parker, Kason, Ezra, Deklan, and a precious new baby girl on the way.

A Celebration of Life Service will begin at 2:00 p.m., on Monday, January 20, 2020, in Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel. Friends and family are invited to gather prior to services from 11:00 a.m. Pastor Mark Boardman will officiate, and burial will follow at Nebo Memorial Park. To share a favorite story, sign the online guest registry or light a candle in her memory please visit www.lightmemorial.com.

Cemetery Details

Nebo Memorial Park

3295 IN-252
Martinsville, IN 46151

Previous Events

Friends & Family Gathering

JAN 20. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Lisa,
Thank you very much for including all of these photos! They will
always be cherished by me. Many, many great memories.

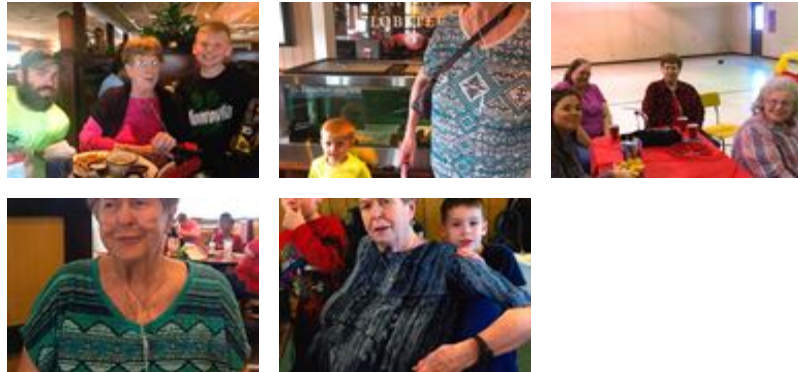
David Walker
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David Walker - February 10, 2020 at 11:54 AM



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Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - January 20, 2020 at 11:22 AM

DW

“ I grew up in Fountain Square, and lived two houses from Allen Cross. He became my life long friend. Allen ask me to be his best man, when he married Brenda in 1960. Have many memories of Brenda and Allen in Fountain Square and Patton Lake. I will miss them dearly! Will see them in Heaven. Thank God. Saving Brenda's 2019 Christmas card to me. She signed it "From your good friend Brenda Cross".

David Walker

David Walker - January 18, 2020 at 09:38 AM

LC

David, you were a wonderful friend to my parents, that's for sure!! Love ya Lisa

Lisa Craig - January 19, 2020 at 08:43 AM

DW

Lisa, appreciate your words! Will see you tomorrow when I pay my respects.

David Walker - January 19, 2020 at 05:02 PM

CS

Brenda was a special lady. I enjoyed spending time with her. We had good talks and laughter. Will miss doing her hair. Your family has my sympathy.

Cindy Stagner - January 19, 2020 at 06:44 PM

MG

“ *Marcia Gregg lit a candle in memory of Brenda Francis Cross*



Marcia Gregg - January 17, 2020 at 06:18 PM

MG

As a teenager I spent so many days and nights at the Cross house in Patton Park, it became my second home. I will truly miss you Brenda, fly high. I will pray for you Lisa and family 🙏

Marcia Gregg - January 17, 2020 at 06:30 PM

LC

*Thanks, Marcia 💜
Those were the good old days!
Love ya*

Lisa Craig - January 17, 2020 at 08:45 PM



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Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - January 17, 2020 at 03:10 PM