



Brenda Joyce Anderson

January 26, 1947 - November 11, 2025

Brenda Joyce (Williams) Anderson was born on January 26, 1947 to the union of Everett and Dorothy Mae(Berry) Williams in New Orleans Louisiana. Brenda accepted the Lord Jesus Christ at a young age. Brenda graduated from George Washington Carver High School (GWCHS) in 1965. While attending (GWCHS) Brenda was actively involved in the choir. Brenda loved singing as a member of her high school choir. After high school Brenda began working for the New Orleans Parish School Board Food Service Division , until she retired as a manager in 2007. Brenda was married to the late Walter Anderson Jr. To this union no children were born. Brenda and Walter were together for over 40 years . Together they enjoyed cooking, games, watching movies and most of all traveling .Brenda left St. Francisville LA and then moved to Texas then relocated to Chicago . Brenda departed this life on November 11,2025 in Chicago, IL at home surrounded by her loved ones . Brenda was proceeded in Death by her parents Everett and Dorothy Williams, Two Sisters Beverlyjean and Diane, Two Brothers David and Everett Jr., her paternal grandparents,Two Nephews Dwight Jr. and Damien and a Great Nephew Malcolm. Brenda is survived by four sisters.... Theresa Magee of North Carolina, Eloise Williams of Aubrey Texas , Jacqueline Diggs of Terrytown,LA, Pamela Williams of Picayone, MS and one Brother Dwight Williams Sr., of Kenner LA. She is also survived by her aunt Ethelena and Cousin Denise of Houston Texas. A host of nieces and nephews, Special Friends Celestean Washington of Kentwood,La, Robert and Christine

Pitchford.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Hope Cemetery

11500 S. Fairfield Ave
Chicago, IL 60655

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **19**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Calahan Funeral Home - Legacy Center
7046 S. Halsted
Chicago, IL 60621

Funeral Service

NOV **19**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

TS

“ *Condolences to the family from the Shedrick family* ”



Tiffany Shedrick - November 19, 2025 at 11:02 AM

TR

Well Brenda rest in peace you know this is sadness funeral I have ever watched. I just wish you were at home in New Orleans, or Houston Texas with your family well you in heaven at peace with your the Lord.

Trina Randolph - November 19, 2025 at 11:29 AM

AW

“ When I look back over my life, so many of my earliest, warmest memories lead straight to my Auntie Brenda. She wasn't just an aunt to me she was a guiding light, a comforter, and a woman who helped raise me with patience, love, and strength. As a little girl, I always felt safe with her, like her presence alone could calm any storm I was going through. She had that kind of spirit: steady, warm, and full of a love that wrapped around you without needing many words.

Some of my sweetest memories are in her kitchen. Auntie Brenda loved to cook, and she cooked with her whole heart. I can still see her standing over the stove, laughing about something, telling stories, or giving me little nuggets of advice while she stirred a pot or seasoned a pan. The smell of her cooking had a way of filling the whole house and filling you up on the inside, too. Her food brought the family together, but it was her love that kept us close.

She was the kind of woman who showed up for you, no matter what. If you needed someone to talk to, she listened. If you needed help, she helped. If you just needed to feel loved, she made sure you did. She didn't hesitate her heart was open, her hands were steady, and her loyalty ran deep.

Even though she's no longer here with me, she left me with so much strength, warmth, and the reminder to love people fully, the way she did. I carry her lessons, her laughter, and her love with me every single day. Auntie Brenda shaped the woman I am, and her memory will always be a part of me.

You will be missed!💜

Alexis Williams - November 19, 2025 at 10:40 AM

RP

“ *Brenda God has chosen you to be one of his precious angels to be with him. He gave a beautiful and loving person. You will always hold that special place in my heart, you will truly missed. You gave me the name poppa and already I miss hearing you say it. Rest well queen. Love poppa.*

Robert Pitchford - November 18, 2025 at 11:19 PM

ER

Mrs Brenda you was a wonderful neighbor, friend and caretaker. You will be greatly missed but never forgotten. From Ernest and Rosalind

Ernest and Rosalind - November 19, 2025 at 09:27 AM

DM

*Brenda was a faithful member of Greater Saint Andrew Baptist Church in NOLA. Cousin of Hilda and Mitchel Jackson also classmate of Dorothy Morris
She will be truly missed by All.*

Dorothy. Morris - November 19, 2025 at 08:35 PM

SR

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Sharon R - November 18, 2025 at 09:32 AM

SR

Aunt Brenda and her sister Eloise and our Aunt Ethelena

Sharon R - November 18, 2025 at 09:33 AM

AL

“ *Ai i Brenda and my mom (her sister Jackie)*



Alicia - November 17, 2025 at 11:03 PM

AL

**Auntie Brenda*

Alicia - November 17, 2025 at 11:07 PM

SR

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Sharon R - November 17, 2025 at 07:01 PM

CP

“ *My dear friend. This is really tuff for me ole gal but, with God comfort and understanding I will get through this..... I will miss your laughter, smile, singing, baking and story telling.*

Thank you for trusting me to be your friend and care for you until the end.

Brenda would always say you were my ram in the bush Chrissy!

Brenda Anderson a true child of God and that's where she's is resting in his arms☐

I love you my friend until we meet again!



Christine Pitchford - November 17, 2025 at 05:43 PM

SR

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Sharon R - November 17, 2025 at 04:01 PM

SR

I'm Auntie's oldest niece. I will miss her. She could tell a story like no other. Here we are at our cousin Denise's home. We had a great visit. I will miss her!

Sharon R - November 17, 2025 at 04:07 PM

CP

Lovely pic of you and Ms. Brenda

Christine Pitchford - November 17, 2025 at 05:30 PM

AL

“ *Andrew Baptist Church - New Orleans LA purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Brenda Joyce Anderson.*



Andrew Baptist Church - New Orleans LA - November 17, 2025 at 10:15 AM

KJ

“ *Kim Seals and Walter Anderson Jr. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Brenda Joyce Anderson.*



Kim Seals and Walter Anderson Jr. - November 15, 2025 at 04:10 PM

KJ

“ *Kim Seals and Walter Anderson Jr. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Brenda Joyce Anderson.*

Kim Seals and Walter Anderson Jr. - November 15, 2025 at 04:10 PM