



Brenda J. Emery

December 28, 1942 - June 17, 2025

ADRIAN- Brenda J. Emery, age 82, of Adrian, Michigan, passed away Tuesday afternoon, June 17, 2025, at Adrian Bay with the love and support of her family.

Brenda was born on December 28, 1942, in Childersburg, Alabama, the only child of Orville and Eudith (Williams) Hamilton. When Brenda was young, her family moved north to Michigan after World War II and found jobs in the automotive industry. She attended Adrian High School, graduating with the Class of 1961.

While attending Sunday school at Raisin Valley Friends Church, Brenda became acquainted with a young Robert Emery and their friendship grew over the years. They started dating in high school and realized they had found their special someone. On August 11, 1962, they were united in marriage at Raisin Valley Friends Church and have been blessed with over 62 years. Together, they have raised a family, grown in love and shared many family gatherings and holidays at their year-round vacation home on South Lake in the Irish Hills.

Brenda was a busy wife and mother but also had a career in the field of banking. She worked at Bank of Lenawee before moving on to United Bank and Trust where she retired from in 2004, in the Loan Servicing Department. She enjoyed being outside working in her flower beds and vegetable garden; and was an avid reader. The title of grandmother was a role she treasured with her whole heart. She cherished the time spent with her seven

grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, whether it was taking trips to Hidden Lake Gardens, swimming at the cottage on weekends or going out for ice cream.

In addition to her husband, Robert, Brenda is survived by their children, Tiffany (Keith) Bauer, Stephanie (Todd) Schneider and Grant (Rachel) Emery; grandchildren, Devin Bauer, Jacob Bauer, Rachel Bauer, Brad Schneider, Julie Schneider, Luke Emery and Jill Emery; and great-grandchildren, Bradley Schneider, Genevieve Schneider and Maverick Beagle. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Visitation for Brenda will be held on Sunday, June 22, 2025, from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian. Funeral services will take place on Monday, June 23, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Larry Betz officiating. Burial will follow at Raisin Valley Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Raisin Valley Friends Church or the Lenawee Humane Society.

Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com

Cemetery Details

Raisin Valley Cemetery

1105 W. Valley Road
Adrian, MI 49221

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 22. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)
1501 W. Maumee St.
Adrian, MI 49221
(517) 263-1400
info@wagleyfuneralhome.com
<https://www.WagleyFuneralHome.com>

Funeral Service

JUN 23. 11:00 AM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)
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Tribute Wall



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Brenda J. Emery.



June 20, 2025 at 06:19 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Brenda J. Emery.



June 20, 2025 at 10:33 AM



“ Justice Family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Brenda J. Emery.



Justice Family - June 20, 2025 at 07:57 AM



“ Henry, Emily & Hal Reinart purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Brenda J. Emery.



Henry, Emily & Hal Reinart - June 19, 2025 at 10:35 PM

BR

“ So sorry Bob and family of Brenda’s passing. I was friends of Brenda all through high school.

Becky Rubel - June 19, 2025 at 06:49 PM

BB

“ Brad and Laura Bearden purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Brenda J. Emery.



Brad and Laura Bearden - June 19, 2025 at 01:50 PM

LH

“ Linda and Howard purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Brenda J. Emery.



Linda and Howard - June 19, 2025 at 12:56 PM

LI

“ So sorry for the loss of this very special lady. We grew up together, didn’t see her a lot over the later years, but she was always there for a chat and a hug 😭💕🙏

Linda - June 19, 2025 at 12:52 PM

DC

“ Very sorry to the family. I grew up next door to Brenda, at her mom and dad’s. She was always very nice to me. She will always be remembered.

Dianne (Kurtz) Carmody - June 19, 2025 at 12:26 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Brenda J. Emery.*



June 19, 2025 at 11:37 AM



“ *Bob & Harmony purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Brenda J. Emery.*



Bob & Harmony - June 19, 2025 at 09:23 AM



“ *SCOTT CANTRELL purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Brenda J. Emery.*



SCOTT CANTRELL - June 19, 2025 at 07:11 AM



“ *Andy, Sarah and Dashed Hayton purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Brenda J. Emery.*



Andy, Sarah and Dashed Hayton - June 18, 2025 at 10:21 PM

GB

“ Hugs and prayers to your family!



Gabi, Barb - June 18, 2025 at 10:02 PM

KM

“ Keri McDonald purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Brenda J. Emery.



Keri McDonald - June 18, 2025 at 09:54 PM

EF

“ Emma Brighton and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Brenda J. Emery.



Emma Brighton and family - June 18, 2025 at 07:17 PM

BB

“ bill and judy bailey lit a candle in memory of Brenda Emery



bill and judy bailey - June 18, 2025 at 05:04 PM

CL

“ So sorry for your loss. Jeff used to say she was the sister he never had. Please know you are all in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Love LaBarr Family.

Claudia LaBarr - June 18, 2025 at 05:00 PM