



Brenda K. Harrison

March 23, 1945 - January 29, 2022

Brenda K. (Cox) Harrison, age 76, of Murphysboro, passed away on Saturday, January 29, 2022 at 1:05 a.m. at the Carbondale Memorial Hospital with family by her side.

Brenda was born on March 23, 1945, the second child of O'Dell and Edith (Berkbigler) Cox.

She graduated from Murphysboro High School in 1963. Brenda worked many jobs in the Murphysboro area and retired in 2010 as a guard at the Menard Correctional Center in Chester.

Brenda is survived by Leo Driscoll, of Cobden. He was the love of her life and her beloved caregiver. She is also survived by her three children, sons, Tab Harrison (Angie) of Murphysboro, Clay Harrison of Boyerton, PA, and daughter Autumn Maxheimer (Leon) of Germantown Hills, IL. Also surviving are the eight grandchildren she greatly adored. They include Drew, Noah, Savannah, Brock, and Shelby Harrison, Brynn and Clay Harrison, and Mariah and Scout Maxheimer. She is also survived by one sister, Kim Duke (Jeff) of Carbondale; nieces, Allison Cole (Rob) and Kelsey Scott (HR), both of St Louis, MO.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Ronald Cox; and sister, Pat Raski.

Brenda was the source of light and inspiration for so many and will be truly missed by all who knew her.

As per her wishes, Brenda was cremated and a Celebration of her life will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the Vanderbilt Multiple System Atrophy Gift Fund, c/o VUMC Gift & Donor Services, 3322 West End Avenue, Suite 900, Nashville, TN 37203-1197. Please make checks payable to "Vanderbilt University Medical Center". Put in the memo line: VUMC MSA Gift Fund (Brenda Harrison).

Crain Funeral Home in Murphysboro has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Brenda K. Harrison*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Brenda had a smile and laugh that made your heart dance. She was always ready to have fun and dress up with her beloved sisters, Patsy and Kim. This resulted in a night full of belly laughs!!! Brenda was beautiful in heart and soul and will be greatly missed! Leo was her wonderful soul mate! KayFerris*

Kay Ferris - February 13, 2022 at 01:17 AM



“ *To Kim & Family, I was so sorry to see of Brenda's passing. There are so many great memories of when we were younger—a large group of us going out practically every weekend & having a great time. She certainly will be missed by many.*

Carol Wehmeyer - February 03, 2022 at 02:01 PM



I remember her from my freshman year in high school. We had study hall together. She was the "Queen". I was a fly on the wall.

Striking Lady, Beautiful Lady! I knew both her mom and dad, good hard working people.

Charlie McCann

Charles D. McCann - February 08, 2022 at 12:59 PM



Kim, So sorry to learn of Brenda's passing. Makes me think of some good River-to-River memories. Bob Holliday

Bob Holliday - February 11, 2022 at 12:57 PM