



Brenda Kay (Wrobleski) Buchanan

August 23, 1959 - January 10, 2026

Brenda Kay (Wrobleski) Buchanan, age 66, of Liberty, MO passed away on Saturday, January 10, 2026, with family by her side, in Kansas City, MO. She was born in Monett, MO on Sunday, August 23, 1959; daughter of Gerald and Betty (Craton) Wrobleski. She was a 1977 graduate of Pierce City High School where she was football homecoming queen her senior year. In 1981, Brenda moved to Kansas City and spent 41 years working for Hallmark Cards while building quite a Christmas ornament collection. Brenda loved to sew, travel to the beach, swim, watch the Kansas City Chiefs and Royals, listen to music, and garden. You could always find her dancing around the kitchen while cooking and baking. She liked taking walks with her grand dogs, Athena, Apollo, Cupcake, and Forrest and looking for 4-leaf clovers. Brenda loved weekly lunch dates with her friends and enjoyed playing games around the kitchen table. She cherished time with her kids and was lovingly referred to as "Nannie" by her grandkids. She looked most forward to visiting and laughing with them.

Brenda was a member of the Guardian Angels Catholic Church in Kansas City, MO. She had a strong, unwavering faith and always read a daily devotional. She put others before herself and strived to make others happy. She was very positive and looked on the bright side of every situation. She was a woman who gave more than she took. She was a difference-maker and will be missed by many.

Surviving are the following: three children, Tiffany Gripka of Monett, MO, Brittany Nolan and fiancé Ryan Fender of Kansas City, MO, and Brendan Buchanan of Liberty, MO; three grandchildren, Marley Gripka, Nolan Gripka, and Harlan Fender; sister, Jacki (Kyle) Edwards of Monett, MO; brother-in-law, Gary Pierce of Pierce City, MO, sister-in-law, Missy Wrobleski of Monett, MO, and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Those welcoming Brenda to heaven include her parents, Gerald and Betty Wrobleski; brother, Rodney Wrobleski; and sister, Guessie Pierce.

The family will receive friends at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Pierce City, MO on Wednesday, January 14, 2026, from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM with Rosary service beginning at 8:00 PM.

Funeral Mass will be at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Pierce City, MO on Thursday, January 15, 2026, beginning at 10:00 AM with Father Paul Pudhota officiating. Burial will follow at SS. Peter and Paul Cemetery in Pulaskifield, MO.

Memorials may be made, in Brenda's memory, to either NorthCare Hospice House or St. Mary's Catholic School in care of the funeral home. Arrangements are under the personal care and direction of Lakin Funeral Home in Pierce City, MO.

Cemetery Details

SS. Peter and Paul Cemetery

Hwy 97 and FR 2040
Pulaskfield, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 14. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
200 Front Street
Pierce City, MO 65723
(417) 476-2827

Rosary Service

JAN 14. 8:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
200 Front Street
Pierce City, MO 65723
(417) 476-2827

Funeral Mass

JAN 15. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
200 Front Street
Pierce City, MO 65723
(417) 476-2827

Tribute Wall

VM

“ *Tiffany, Brittany and Brendan, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother.*

When I first met your mom, Tiffany and Brittany were just 2 and 4 yrs old. We worked together at Hallmark close to 40 years together. She was an incredible person and loved all three of you more than her heart could hold. She was proud of her kids and grandkids. May God bless you and keep you in the coming days. Valerie McClurg

Valerie J McClurg - January 27 at 01:56 PM

BB

“ My heartfelt condolences to Brenda's family & friends for their loss. I didn't know Brenda long, but I am so thankful and blessed to have met her and will always remember her kind spirit and enthusiasm for life.

Brenda and I met while being "extras" on the Hallmark movie filmed at Chiefs stadium, "Holiday Touchdown: A Chiefs love story" in July 2024. We hit it off immediately as we started that first day of filming at Chiefs stadium. Neither one of us knew anyone else and we were wandering around to find a spot to put our winter coats and coolers while waiting for filming. We instantly knew when we met that we would be instant friends. One of my favorite memories from the day was offering her fake ice cubes she put down her bra in order for her to stay cool as we filmed in 90 degree weather in parkas, hats and gloves. I remember thinking how amazed I was that she was doing all this, even after she told me her story of battling cancer. The day was full of joy and laughter for both of us!

Since that July meeting, we attended the movie premier together and several Royals games. We enjoyed talking about our families and sharing stories. Despite her continuing treatments, she always held a positive attitude.

I will forever be touched by having met Brenda. May she now be resting in peace.



Betty Birzer - January 16 at 08:33 PM

JL

Betty she told me about the first time you two met and how you both hit it right off..then we were able to goto the Royals games with you which was always a great time and then the crazy things we would do..I know she was so glad to have met you and be able to call you friend..take care..Jennifer

Jennifer Lindquist - January 21 at 01:17 PM

MV

“ *Michael Velten-Heeter lit a candle in memory of Brenda (Wrobleski) Buchanan*



Michael Velten-Heeter - January 13 at 01:54 AM

EK

“ *Beautiful inside and out. Always there with a big hug and smile. She will always be another momma to me! Love you always!*

Erin (Fenske) Killingsworth - January 12 at 01:05 PM

JR

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you all. 🙏
❤️ Janice Anson-Reade*



Janice Reade - January 12 at 02:18 AM

CM

“ *Rest in peace, sweet cousin.*



Cousin Mari - January 12 at 01:57 AM

SS

“ *my thoughts are with the family such a sad loss. Brenda was always willing to chat with you or help in anyway she could. will be sadly missed by many. RIP beautiful lady*

sally smith - January 11 at 10:01 PM



“ *Wonderful woman,great classmate. Prayers to family--Julie Fischer Morrison*

Julie Morrison - January 11 at 09:21 PM

JK

“ *Mike & Jill Kaiser*



Jill Kaiser - January 11 at 08:27 PM