



## Brenda Henson Strange

November 24, 1945 - July 18, 2022

Brenda Henson Strange passed away on July 18, 2022 at her home in Chestertown, MD.

Brenda was born in North East, MD on November 24, 1945. She was the only child of Walter and Jeanne Henson.

Brenda was a graduate of North East High School with the class of 1963. After graduating high school, she attended the Delaware Hospital School of Nursing in Wilmington, DE and became a Registered Nurse in 1966. She worked as an R.N. at the old Delaware Division Hospital of Wilmington Medical Center now called Wilmington Hospital and was the head nurse on the emergency floor. In 1974, she married Dr. Theodore B. Strange.

Brenda moved to Chestertown where she raised two children and integrated herself into the community. She was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church as well as the Chestertown Garden Club, serving as the President for two terms and as District Director. Brenda helped maintain and improve Fountain Park and had the vision to extend the lanterns into Memorial Park. Brenda was integral to the Wilmer Park shoreline restoration project, completed in 2006, by securing the grant and helping with plant design and install.

Brenda's floral and horticultural talents continually improved as she regularly took classes at Longwood Gardens and Chanticleer. It was this high level of

skill that led Brenda into opening a floral design business. These same skills can be seen at her home and surrounding gardens. Brenda also enjoyed cooking and baking. If you were lucky, you would make the annual Danish pastry list. Brenda has enjoyed the last several years working part-time at the Mill where she could share her lifetime of plant knowledge.

She adored her five grandchildren, who affectionately called her "Bubble". When not at work, Brenda enjoyed time with her cats and working on her extensive gardens. She will be most remembered by her wit and sense of humor.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by one daughter, Ann Henson.

She is survived by her son, Thomas Strange of Marshall, VA; her daughter, Suzanne Felman of West Chester, PA; and her grandchildren Charlotte, Thomas, Elizabeth, Isabel, and Charles.

Services will be held on Saturday, July 23 at 12:00 pm at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Chestertown. Interment to follow in St. Paul's Episcopal Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Really Great Cats Rescue at P.O. Box 363, Chestertown, MD 21620 or to the Animal Care Shelter of Kent County at 10720 Augustine Herman Hwy, Chestertown, MD 21620.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Pauls Cemetery (Kent County)

7600 Sandy Bottom Road  
Chestertown, MD

# Previous Events

## Service

JUL 23. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Paul's Episcopal Church Kent  
7760 Sandy Bottom Road  
Chestertown, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Brenda Henson Strange*



**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - July 22, 2022 at 02:28 PM



“ *Brenda Henson Strange*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Brenda Henson Strange*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Brenda Henson Strange*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *David & Stefanie Blyman lit a candle in memory of Brenda Henson Strange*



**David & Stefanie Blyman** - July 25, 2022 at 01:58 PM

LF

“ *Linda Fletcher lit a candle in memory of Brenda Henson Strange*



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**Linda Fletcher** - July 23, 2022 at 08:51 AM

LW

“ *Tad and I are grateful we knew Brenda and Dr. Strange while they were active at St. Paul's. They were down to earth folks and our lives are richer for their influence. Thank you God for that.*

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**Lynda Wheatley** - July 22, 2022 at 10:30 PM

BR

“ *Brenda was one of my favorite clients. She was witty and always had great stories to tell. She shared her wealth and knowledge of flowers and plants and always shared delicious treats and recipes with us of various dishes that she had baked. It was a joy to clean her home. We were truly blessed to have know her. May she rest in heavenly peace. She will be truly missed.*

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**Barbara Robinson** - July 22, 2022 at 09:26 PM

BK

“ *Becki Kinder lit a candle in memory of Brenda Henson Strange*



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**Becki Kinder** - July 22, 2022 at 08:13 PM

KW

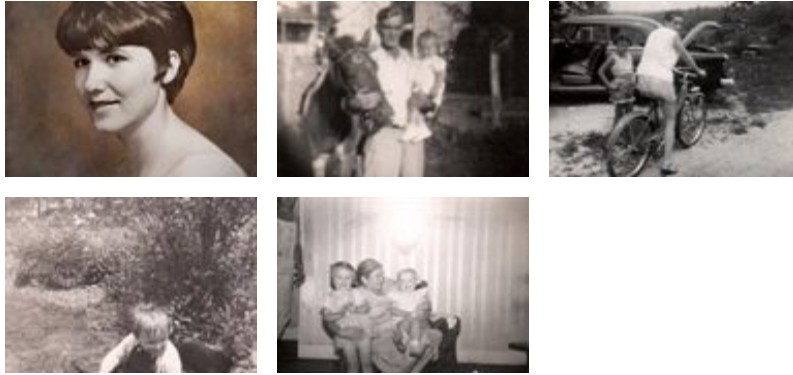
“ Kimberly M. Ward purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Brenda Henson Strange.



Kimberly M. Ward - July 22, 2022 at 02:40 PM



“ 116 files added to the album Life Tributes



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - July 22, 2022 at 02:26 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Brenda Henson Strange.



July 22, 2022 at 09:33 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Brenda Henson Strange.*



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July 21, 2022 at 11:22 AM



“ *Barb IMA lit a candle in memory of Brenda Henson Strange*



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**Barb IMA** - July 21, 2022 at 10:05 AM



“ *Debbie Wiest lit a candle in memory of Brenda Henson Strange*



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**Debbie Wiest** - July 21, 2022 at 09:42 AM



“ *Jane Stanton*



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**Jane E Stanton** - July 21, 2022 at 08:04 AM

CM

“ Suzanne and Thomas - I have no words to describe my heartbreak at losing your mom. Brenda and I were closer than cousins; neither of us had any siblings, so we grew up playing with each other. In recent years, we would meet at Caraway Manor to take lunch to and visit with Aunt Sue, the last of the Cameron Clan kids. Brenda loved her whole family. Thank God for the DeMonde family reunion last month; it gave us a chance to see family members that we hadn't been able to see in years. It's comforting to know Bren is now with your dad, with Ann, with Aunt Jeanne and Uncle Walt, with Mom-Mom and Pop-Pop Cameron, and with the Henson clan. Family was important to her, and she's up there, seeing everyone after so many years apart. I love you, kids.

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**Cheryl McKeown** - July 21, 2022 at 07:56 AM

DE

“ Donna Hubbard Edwards lit a candle in memory of Brenda Henson Strange



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**Donna Hubbard Edwards** - July 21, 2022 at 07:43 AM

AD

“ Enjoyed her sense of humor and our flower covos.



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**Alva Dorsey** - July 20, 2022 at 10:17 PM

DB

“ I met Brenda when I was teaching at Longwood Gardens. I loved her wry sense of humor immediately, and our occasional friendship through Horticulture endured. Sharing success and failures in life (primarily in the garden) we talked and laughed. I never met the good Dr. But I understood immediately why he loved her so.

*Only good memories here...*

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**Dan Benarcik** - July 20, 2022 at 08:35 PM

DG

“ Donna Gibbons-Neff lit a candle in memory of Brenda Henson Strange



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**Donna Gibbons-Neff** - July 20, 2022 at 04:07 PM

LP

“ Lee Phillips lit a candle in memory of Brenda Henson Strange



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**Lee Phillips** - July 20, 2022 at 03:35 PM

CB

“ Clare Barker lit a candle in memory of Brenda Henson Strange



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**Clare Barker** - July 20, 2022 at 02:53 PM

JK

“ Jack And Debbie Kemp lit a candle in memory of Brenda Henson Strange



Jack and Debbie Kemp - July 20, 2022 at 02:39 PM

RE

“ You will forever be my bestfriend! You made my days happy, and could really get me out of any mood I was in. We shared stories, pictures, and jokes. My life will never be the same. You impacted my life like no others could. You are greatly missed. And I know in the spring, I'll take up the Pansy deadheading... I know you'll be watching! I love you so much! Sending all my love,  
Your Richard!

Ricky Eshleman - July 20, 2022 at 11:00 AM

DN

“ Debbie And Bob Nickerson lit a candle in memory of Brenda Henson Strange



Debbie and Bob Nickerson - July 20, 2022 at 09:58 AM

DN

Our thoughts and prayers are with Brenda's family and Work family at the Mill of Kingstown. It was a privilege to know her and learn from the Horticultural skills.

Debbie and Bob Nickerson - July 20, 2022 at 10:03 AM

CK

“ *Cindy King lit a candle in memory of Brenda Henson Strange*



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**Cindy King** - July 20, 2022 at 09:53 AM

BL

“ *Brenda K Lyons lit a candle in memory of Brenda Henson Strange*



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**Brenda K Lyons** - July 20, 2022 at 09:30 AM

MR

“ *Maryann Ruehrmund lit a candle in memory of Brenda Henson Strange*



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**Maryann Ruehrmund** - July 20, 2022 at 09:11 AM

CR

“ *I am still in shock to lose a dear friend (too young) and beloved mother and grandmother of "my children" - Suzanne & Thomas!!! I can't believe it! Those children are wise and mature about life and can handle this - but I SURE WISH they didn't have to!!! Thank God they had beautiful grandchildren for her to love while she could and they will be able to remember her....*

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**Cathy Middleton Raphael** - July 19, 2022 at 09:31 PM

HB

“ *Oh Brenda - what a talented multi-faceted lady and such a loving mother. And that great wry sense of humor. She will be so well missed.*

*Holly and Dave Bramble*

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**Holly Bramble** - July 19, 2022 at 07:39 PM