



## Mrs. Brenda Ann Auger

January 23, 1958 - July 5, 2021

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Brenda Auger on July 5, 2021, in High River, AB. Brenda fought a long and difficult battle with cancer for more than 10 years. She exuded grace and strength throughout and will be mourned and deeply missed by her husband Denis; Father Bob, brother Brad (Marie); children, Ryan, and Elise; grandchildren Thomas and Emey; and all who loved her. Brenda is also survived by Denis' family, brothers Mark (Farzaneh) and Louis (Carmie), brother-in-law Gary, as well as numerous extended family members. Brenda was predeceased by her mother Amelia and sister-in-law Celine.

Brenda was born on January 23, 1958, in Neilburg, Saskatchewan to Bob and Amelia Sawyer (nee Rzesnoski). She grew up in Carrot River SK, and Dauphin MB, with her sibling Brad. Brenda graduated high school in Dauphin and went on to study Dental Hygiene in at the University of Manitoba, graduating in 1978. She met Denis Auger in Calgary AB in 1980, and the two married on May 22, 1982. The couple had two children (Ryan and Elise) and lived in several places including Calgary AB, Dauphin MB, Edmonton AB, Corunna ON, Paris ON, Cincinnati OH, Villa Rica GA, Humble TX, and Houston TX.

Brenda's career of choice may have been dental hygiene, but her passion was being a mother and grandmother. She was known for her big heart, her

amazing hostess abilities, her fun-loving personality and fierce love and loyalty. She was an avid golfer, bunko player, curler, gardener and cook. Brenda loved to visit with friends, and facetime her family, especially her grandchildren (Thomas and Emey), and spread love any chance she got.

As per her wishes, Brenda's family will hold a Celebration of Life on Sunday, July 25 at 2:00 p.m. at the Crystal Shores Beach House in Okotoks AB, 403 Milligan Drive. Her family would like to thank the medical team at MD Anderson in Houston TX, as well as the palliative care team at the High River Hospital.

Brenda had a giving heart. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Brenda's name to a charity of your choice.

Love you Brenda, always and forever.

Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (Craig Snodgrass) 403.652.4242.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

JUL **25**. 2:00 PM (MT)

Crystal Shores Beach House  
403 Milligan Drive  
Okotoks, AB T1S 1X9 (CA)

# Tribute Wall

DA

“ Brenda it's taken a little time for me to grasp this new reality, I know we were lucky enough to have the time to have expressed to each other are feelings.  
But for public consumption, Brenda was the best partner I could have ever had, she saved my life, was the love of my life, she was an incredible woman and my best friend. She supported me in every endeavor and was a great daughter, sister, aunt, niece, cousin, wife, mother and Grammie. We had a great time for over 40 years and I will always cherish our time together. So many great places wonderful friends and family all of whom she loved.  
What a legacy! Two great kids Ryan and Elise that she loved with all her heart!  
And then the bonus of two grandkids Thomas and Emey which were the love of her life!  
Brenda hasn't gone she lives in all the hearts of those she touched. She will never be forgotten, I love you Brenda!  
Always and Forever! Denis

Denise Auger - July 14, 2021 at 07:56 PM

KP

Beautifully said, Denis. Hugs to you all!

Kathryn Ponomar - July 14, 2021 at 08:21 PM

AM

Denis, please receive a huge hug from Marcela & I. We will always cherish all the amazing moments we spent together with you two. Be strong, we will be praying for you.

Alberto O Murillo - July 18, 2021 at 09:27 PM

FP

Denis, I am so sorry for your loss. Francine

Francine Portenier - July 25, 2021 at 02:52 PM

JM

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our hearts and thoughts are with all that will miss her. We were classmates in Dauphin.



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**Jim & Mary Marzyk** - July 11, 2021 at 06:26 PM

DM

“ Denis, Ryan and Elise. I am so sorry. I think of your Mom and family a lot. Your mom played a huge role in my life when you lived in Edmonton and I am forever thankful for that. Denis, you loved Brenda so much and always made her laugh! Ryan and Elise you were such great kids, then adults, and made your Mama proud. She was lucky to have a family like she did. I am so sorry for your pain.....

*Dawn Matthews*

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**Dawn Matthews** - July 11, 2021 at 03:52 PM

CC

“ I'm deeply saddened to hear of Brenda's passing. We went to school together in dauphin and hung out many times when our kids were little. To you; Denis, Ryan and Elise, may your memories sustain you during this difficult time.

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**Claire Clowater** - July 10, 2021 at 09:54 PM

BC

“ I have known Brenda a long time and she was always an incredibly strong and generous person. Her passing is a true loss to everyone that she knew and touched.

We offer our full condolences to Dennis, Ryan and Elise, and all of your extended family.

Brenda you are in our prayers, and may you rest in Peace.

Bill, Joe and Sydney Campbell

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**Bill Campbell** - July 10, 2021 at 08:24 PM

EL

“ Mom, it's only been a few days, but I find myself reaching for my phone to text you. Whenever I am sad, you were the one to tell me I am strong, amazing and resilient, and I wish I could hear you now.

You taught me so many things, and I'm so grateful for the time we shared. You were my best friend, my greatest supporter and the best Grammy to my kiddos.

I am going to continue living life to the fullest and making you proud every step of the way.

I love you mom. Always and forever.

P.s. Thank you for the cardinals. I know you are still with me holding my hand and heart every day.

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**Elise** - July 09, 2021 at 09:01 PM

NA

Very sorry for your loss, Elise. 💜 Naomi Forman

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**naomiforman** - July 10, 2021 at 02:48 PM

DB

“ Sincere condolences Denis and family. May all the fond memories comfort you at this time. You are in our prayers. Terry and Darian.

darian bercier - July 09, 2021 at 02:07 PM

VG

“ I was blessed to come to know Brenda many years ago while working together in Dauphin. Brenda was professional to the core but always able to see the humour in things at the same time! We became great buds outside of work & some of my fondest memories were our Christmas bake exchanges & handcrafted gift exchanges, where Brenda's inner "Martha Stewart" shone brightly! It was a loss to Dauphin when Denis, Brenda & kiddos decided to expand their horizons. I recall the going away party we hosted for Brenda & Denis where we dressed Brenda up in a thrift store Boba outfit. So many laughs & some tears as well! Being a friend of Brenda's meant that no matter the miles that separated you, she would be a life long friend.

She loved her family more then anything & no wonder! Brenda was an ever positive, brave warrior in her battle with cancer but Denis & her devoted family were what empowered her to fight on & even in her final days & now they continue to do her proud! When we FaceTimed a couple months ago Brenda was so happy to have had Christmas with her family & cherished every single moment! Brenda's soul will certainly fly high & while she will be dearly missed, the night sky will certainly shine brightly with it's new beautiful star! 🤗🌟

Denis, Ryan, Elise & your adorable kiddos, we send our heartfelt condolences & love,

Val & Ray. 💕💕

Val Gratton - July 09, 2021 at 10:32 AM

EL

*Thanks, Val  
Some of my fondest memories at Christmas time were your baking exchanges too! Xo*

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**Elise** - July 09, 2021 at 08:52 PM

EB

*“ We were so lucky to have known Brenda. She was an unique person filled with a love of life and enjoyed sharing that love with everyone around her. She was a loyal friend and always there for you. Only Brenda could have gone through these last years with an upbeat attitude and a smile on her face. What a fighter. The angels will love her.*

*Jim and Esther Brigman*

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**Esther Brigman** - July 08, 2021 at 10:24 PM

EL

*Well said. Mom was such an inspiration. Calling on her strength and positivity right now. Xo*

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**Elise** - July 09, 2021 at 08:53 PM

KI

*“ Dear Elise, I remember when you lived here we went to get Ryan from the Hamilton airport and your parents come over for dinner and a "Sing Song". As we danced and sang around my living room it was so evident then how they loved their children and how proud they were of you. I'm ever so sorry for the loss of your dear Mom. Sending love and hugs to you, your dad, your brother and of course your kidos. XO*

*Kim & Jonathan*

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**Kim** - July 08, 2021 at 08:14 PM

EL

*Thanks so much! She always loved that I had a family there for me when she was living far away. Xoxox*

**Elise** - July 09, 2021 at 08:53 PM



*“ Denis, Ryan, Elise, Brad and the rest of the family. I'm so sorry to hear of Brenda's passing. She was such a fun loving lovely woman. She will be missed. I'd like to pass along my sincere condolences to you all.*

**Rob McDill** - July 08, 2021 at 08:00 PM

BF

*“ I will always remember your fun loving personality Brenda. Thank you so much for so many wonderful memories. My sincere condolences to Dennis and family. Fly with the Angel's.*

**Bernice Foley** - July 08, 2021 at 05:08 PM

LY

*“ Denis, Ryan and Elise,  
You are in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.  
What a beautiful, wonderful lady. The room instantly lit up when Brenda walked in.  
So many good times since the day we met in Corunna 30 years ago.  
We will cherish the memories forever.  
Much Love  
Roger and Laura Young*

**Laura Young** - July 08, 2021 at 03:29 PM

EL

*We continued to share stories right to end of her adventures with you guys. It always brought a smile to her face.*

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**Elise** - July 09, 2021 at 08:55 PM

VM

“ *From the Golf girls here at Walden country club we sure had a great memory and good Times playing golf with Brenda*

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**Vickie Mcrill** - July 08, 2021 at 03:25 PM

KT

“ *Denis and family,*

*This is such sad news. You all have my warmest thoughts and prayers as you deal with the passing of such a special and terrific lady. Every meeting with Brenda was always uplifting and positive.... a rare gift she had and shared so freely with others.*

*With much love and affection, Kinney Taylor*

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**Kinney Taylor** - July 08, 2021 at 01:01 PM

BH

*So sorry for your loss. I didn't know her but through your posts I saw so much love. I know you will embrace her spirit and carry on with all her love and kindness. Hugs to your family.*

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**Barbra Hesson** - July 08, 2021 at 03:01 PM

CL

“ *Denis,  
Please accept my family's condolences in your time of loss. We lift you and your family in prayer that you may find peace and comfort in the Lord and rejoice in your memories and celebration of Brenda's life. Sincerely, Chris Lowrie*

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**Chris Lowrie** - July 08, 2021 at 10:49 AM

TL

“ So sorry for your loss Denis. Our condolences to you and your family. I know you and Brenda experienced many adventures together making great memories to hold onto.

*Best regards,*

*Todd Lindstrom and your Red-D-Arc Southwest Family*

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**Todd Lindstrom** - July 08, 2021 at 10:12 AM

HM

“ Dear Denis and family,  
We rejoice with Brenda in that she has made it safely home. We share our deepest sadness and grief with you and your family in losing her. She was an amazing women who fought a brave fight with a “one day at a time” attitude. Forty years ago we met in Calgary and although moving took us apart we cherish the many memories especially the reconnection in Texas. We will continue to pray for God’s comfort and peace in the days to come.  
With much love and through the grace of God.  
H Daniel and Marianne Maerz  
Richmond Texas

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**H Daniel Maerz** - July 08, 2021 at 10:09 AM

AN

“ Denis

*My heart goes out to you and your family. Please know that we are here for you.*

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**Adam Needles** - July 08, 2021 at 10:07 AM


KS

“ *Brenda was a dear and loyal friend who we always admired for her strong will and fun loving personality. Our high school days were simplest the best and we will cherish the memories we made together. Love and hugs to Denis ,Ryan and Elise from Kathy and Luke.*

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**Kathy Stokotelny** - July 08, 2021 at 09:16 AM

MS

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Sending our condolences and love during this very difficult time. Love from Mavis and Don Stokotelny*  


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**Mavis Stokotelny** - July 08, 2021 at 09:05 AM

GS

“ *My condolences to you Denis and the entire Auger family. My prayers that you will find some comfort in the memories of such a wonderful person and the joys that you shared together. Take care Auggie!*

*Gary Sterpka & The Red-D-Arc Family*

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**Gary Sterpka** - July 08, 2021 at 08:53 AM