



## Brenda Lea Howell

November 19, 1971 - January 18, 2023

Brenda Lea Howell, 51, of Anderson, passed away unexpectedly on the morning of Wednesday, January 18, 2023 as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident while on her way to work at Marion General Hospital.

She was born on November 19, 1971, in Newburg, Pennsylvania, a daughter of Harry and Nancy (Snokes) Elder.

Brenda was a 1990 graduate of Shippensburg High School in Pennsylvania and earned a bachelor's degree in Missions from God's Bible School in Cincinnati, OH. She graduated from Geisinger School of Nursing in Lewistown, PA and later pursued a master's degree at Cincinnati Bible College.

In 2002, she married Brad Howell. Brenda was a Registered Nurse and worked in OB at Community Hospital in Anderson. She was currently a Certified Lactation Consultant at Marion General Hospital.

Brenda was a wonderful Christian with a servant's heart and was always ready to help anyone in need. She loved everyone she met and was kind and forgiving. Brenda was a rock, anchoring her family and friends. Her world revolved around her three daughters whom she homeschooled. She was an excellent seamstress and enjoyed making costumes for her daughter Emma's

theatre performances.

Those left to cherish Brenda's memory include her husband of 20 years, Brad Howell; three daughters, Emma Catherine Lea Howell, 17, Anna Estella Mae Howell, 13, and Ella Victoria Dayanne Howell, 10; her parents, Harry and Nancy Elder of Florida; three siblings, Monty (Linney) Elder of Florida, Lincoln Elder of Pennsylvania, and Victoria Elder of Pennsylvania; her father and mother-in-law, Terry and Catherine Howell of Franklin, Ohio; two brothers-in-law, Ryan (Megan) Howell of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Kris (Shibnum) Howell of Columbus, Ohio and several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and many friends.

Brenda was preceded in death by a brother, Day Elder.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am Saturday, January 28, 2023 at Parkview Church of the Nazarene, 911 S. Rangeline Rd, Anderson, Indiana with Rev. Jason Hawk officiating.

Friends may call from 4 – 8 pm Friday at the church and one hour prior to the service on Saturday.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Sproles Family Funeral Home New Castle.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the funeral home to assist with expenses by Clicking Here (<https://www.sprolesfamilycares.com/online-payments-and-donations/>) or to an education fund being established for Brenda's daughters by Clicking Here (<https://www.sprolesfamilycares.com/online-payments-and-donations/>). and putting Education Fund in the note section. You may send the family an personal condolence at [www.sprolesfamilycares.com](http://www.sprolesfamilycares.com).

The Sproles family and staff are honored to serve the family of Brenda Lea Howell.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 27. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Parkview Church of the Nazarene  
911 S Rangeline Rd  
Anderson, IN 46012

## Service

JAN 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *I miss you, my friend...*

Michelle Shannon - January 02 at 10:45 PM



“ *Luke & Rachel Holtry purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Brenda Lea Howell.*



Luke & Rachel Holtry - January 28, 2023 at 02:32 PM



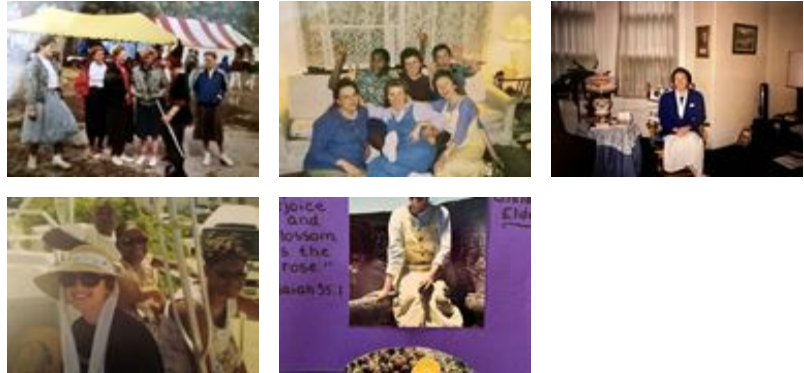
“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Brenda Lea Howell.*



January 26, 2023 at 11:40 PM



“ 345 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



**Sproles Family Funeral Home** - January 26, 2023 at 09:36 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of *Brenda Lea Howell*.



January 26, 2023 at 12:28 PM



“ *Basket of Memories* was purchased for the family of *Brenda Lea Howell*.



January 26, 2023 at 07:31 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Brenda Lea Howell.*



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January 25, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *I had the pleasure of working with Brenda at Marion Health over the last few years. Her passion and dedication to the mothers and their babies was evident every single day. Brenda always had a smile on her face and impacted so many lives at a monumental time during the birth of a child. She will be missed! Prayers to her family! God bless!*

*Janet Leezer, MD*

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**Janet Leezer MD** - January 25, 2023 at 02:45 PM



“ *The Milk Bank Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Brenda Lea Howell.*



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**The Milk Bank Family** - January 25, 2023 at 02:19 PM



“ *Uncle Mark & Aunt Janet purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Brenda Lea Howell.*



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**Uncle Mark & Aunt Janet** - January 24, 2023 at 04:26 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Brenda Lea Howell.*



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January 24, 2023 at 04:11 PM



“ *Creation Corner 4-H Club purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Brenda Lea Howell.*



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**Creation Corner 4-H Club** - January 24, 2023 at 10:49 AM



“ *I met Brenda when I was in Colorado, we met at church and became fast friends, our family's where always getting together. When I was pregnant with my first baby she was pregnant with Anna, we had our babies 2 weeks apart, we got to bond over that and she was there to help me with learning all the wonderful things about being a new mom. I will never forget what a wonderful, caring, friend she was, she will be missed greatly by me and many.*

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**Jeni Franks** - January 23, 2023 at 11:19 PM



“ *Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Brenda Lea Howell.*



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January 23, 2023 at 02:44 PM

DR

“ I always loved our reunion at Classical Conversations Practicum and events. Always felt I had a kindred spirit in her and wished we lived closer. She took my oldest kiddo under her wing as a teen helper and I am sure her mentorship has made Kayli inspired in her love for children and helping them grow in understanding. Brenda will be missed so very much. Love and hugs from CC of Indianapolis (Garfield Park). Debra Radke


Debra Radke - January 23, 2023 at 02:28 PM



“ I remember Brenda from school and church and sorry to say i lost touch with her after i moved away when i was a teen and seeing her wall here just brought it all back and i can not beleave it. Sorry to her family for their lost.

Katrina Taylor - January 22, 2023 at 01:24 PM

KR

“ Sending love and prayers of strength for the family. We all miss seeing her at Starbucks. 



Karen Rusk - January 21, 2023 at 06:19 PM

MJ

“ I will always cherish childhood memories of Brenda. We were Blessed to have her as our cousin.

Michelle Jackson - January 21, 2023 at 09:24 AM

MJ

“ *Michelle Jackson lit a candle in memory of Brenda Howell*



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**Michelle Jackson** - January 21, 2023 at 09:23 AM

AN

“ *I worked with Brad and met Brenda through him before I even started homeschooling! When I joined a co-op that she was directing I was delighted to see her again! I took over her position after a year where she laid a strong foundation of community with several families who are STILL together. My strongest memory of her is that no matter what was going on in her own life, she made sure that everyone around her knew she was available for them whether they be adults or kids. She was truly selfless. She loved her family, her friends, and her work. She touched countless people who will carry on her legacy.*

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**Annie Nichols** - January 21, 2023 at 07:45 AM



“ *We were living at Dent's Run when Brenda came home from the hospital. We helped build the set of stairs that replaced the ladder her Mom climbed to their dwelling, That was literally days before Brenda entered our world. We got together enough that I knew the fine young woman she became. She is surely with Day and all those who went before. Her namesake is with her as we celebrate and mourn her life and death. God bless.*

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**Janet Johns** - January 20, 2023 at 07:20 PM