



## Brenda Sue James

August 2, 1943 - October 20, 2021

Brenda Sue James, 78, passed away on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 in Vernon Hills, IL. She was born August 2, 1943 in Mineral Springs, AR, was formerly of Vernon Hills, Libertyville, Gurnee, retiring to Nokomis, FL until moving back to the Libertyville area to be near her children in the last year. She had been a longtime member and administrative assistant at United Methodist Church in Libertyville, where she had been very involved. Sue was also a current member of Grace United Methodist Church in Venice, FL where she also donated her time volunteering in the local food pantry programs. She enjoyed playing tennis and was a member of the Libertyville Racket Club, was an avid vegetable and flower gardener and will be remembered as a gentle, loving & giving person. Sue was known to be a wonderful cook & hostess to everyone at any time and her special meals and delicious sugar Christmas cookies will be missed by all.

Surviving is her husband of 58 years, Kenneth James; 2 children, DeeAnn (Noel) Clausen and Ken (Wendi) James; grandchildren, Connor, Zachary & Grace Clausen and Shaina (fiancée Steve Krugman) James, Saige (Austin) Coon, Austin James and Brocktin James; great grandchildren, Preslee & Arthur and by sisters, Elizabeth (Robert) Stuart of Ozan, AR and Nancy (the late Danny) Newell of Malvern, AR.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Cecil & Evelyn Funderburg, a brother, William Lee Funderburg and her grandson, Jake Clausen.

A visitation will begin at 10:00 a.m. followed by a service at 11:00 a.m.

Saturday, October 30, 2021 at United Methodist Church, 429 Brainerd Ave. Libertyville, IL. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate a donation to the Alzheimers Association, [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org) or your local food bank. Arrangements by Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville. For info: 847-362-3009 or share a memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

United Methodist Church  
429 Brainerd Ave.  
Libertyville, IL 60048

## Memorial Service

OCT **30**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Brenda Sue James.*



October 28, 2021 at 08:55 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Brenda Sue James.*



October 27, 2021 at 12:57 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Brenda Sue James.*



October 27, 2021 at 12:38 PM



“ *We met on the tennis court at Libertyville Tennis Club over 20 years ago. We became friends and we moved in 2001 from Libertyville to the community where Sue and Ken lived in Florida. . Sue picked out our building lot. She was full of life and loved her family. She will always be remembered. Adele Smith*

**Adele Smith** - October 24, 2021 at 10:38 AM

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“ It seems sad not to see that smooth blonde head atop the terrific figure as she appeared each Sunday at Grace in Venice. Sue's sweet nature & that ever-youthful shape were what I most will remember.

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**Helen Boruff** - October 23, 2021 at 12:40 PM

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Sue was a beautiful, caring, loving friend to us. A gracious hostess with a good sense of humor, Mort and I knew her to be a very interesting, fun, smart companion and a proud and supportive wife, mother, and grandmother. Our hearts are heavy; we hope your good memories sustain you through this difficult time and beyond. We will always cherish our memories of her.

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**Karen Feldberg** - October 30, 2021 at 11:54 AM