



## Brenda Elaine Rose

September 25, 1946 - March 26, 2025

Brenda Elaine Rose was born in Apopka, Florida on September 25, 1946, the third of seven children born to Mattie Henry Rose and Willie Fred Rose, Sr. Brenda accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior as a young child and was baptized into the Kingdom of God at St. Paul A.M.E. Church in Apopka. Church was an integral part of her early life. She participated in many youth activities at St. Paul including the Young People Department, Allen Christian Fellowship, Youth Choirs, Church School, and all the activities on the district and conference levels of the A.M.E. Church. She often spoke lovingly of the enjoyment of those church activities from her youth.

Brenda attended Phillis Wheatley School from 1st through 12th grade. After graduating from Phillis Wheatley High School in 1964, Brenda attended and graduated from Barber College in Jacksonville, FL. She worked as a barber for several years before deciding to attend Florida Technological University (UCF), graduating with a degree in Elementary Education. She taught elementary school students in Orange County Public School for over 20 years. She was adamant in her belief that all children were important and capable of learning.

She enjoyed dancing, telling jokes, and dressing in pretty clothes and shoes. Brenda said she was not properly dressed if she did not have "hair pretties" on her head. Her mother often said Brenda would cry when she was a child if

she did not have ribbons in her hair. She continued that tradition throughout life and always wore hair pretties to accent her style. She was an expert gardener, decorator and cook. Others often sought advice from Brenda on how to keep plants healthy, how to decorate spaces in any room and how to cook her extensive array of special dishes. Brenda lived in England for over 19 years and was a worldwide traveler. She was married to Nathaniel Stephens and Jason Conrad.

She was preceded in death by her loving parents, Willie and Mattie Rose, her sister Vera Rose Poitier, and brothers Maxey Stanley Rose and Willie Fred Rose, Jr.

Brenda Rose is survived by her...

Children: Stephanie Stephens (Minneapolis, MN) , Nathan Stephens (Atlanta, GA), and Natalie Stephens (Orlando, Florida)

Granddaughter: Emily Williams (Palakta, FI)

Great Grandchildren: Nathaniel, Daisy, and Dior

Sisters: Natalie Rose Bell (Reginald)(Orlando, FL), Deborah A. Rose (Apopka, FL) and Phyllis Rose Brown (Gregg)(Orlando, FL)

Sister-in-law: Mildred Rose (Orangeburg, SC)

Nieces and Nephews: (who loving referred to her as Aunt Bren), and a host of cousins and other relatives

Brenda Elaine Rose loved the Lord and transitioned from her earthly life to be with Him on Tuesday, March 25, 2025.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR 4. 3:00 PM (ET)

St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church  
1012 South Park Avenue  
Apopka, FL 32703

# Tribute Wall

DN

“ *Dot Newsome lit a candle in memory of Brenda Elaine Rose* ”



Dot Newsome - April 09, 2025 at 08:44 AM

DN

“ *The Newsome family sent a virtual gift in memory of Brenda Elaine Rose* ”



Dot Newsome - April 09, 2025 at 08:42 AM

VE

“ *My Condolences to the Rose Family* ”



Vert - April 04, 2025 at 12:31 PM

MH

“ *Mary Howard lit a candle in memory of Brenda Elaine Rose* ”



Mary Howard - April 03, 2025 at 12:14 PM

MS

“ My prayers are with the Rose Family in the loss of their love one. Brenda Elaine Rose. May God give the family strength at this time.



Minnie Long Scott - April 02, 2025 at 09:26 PM

MK

“ Mamie Long Kelly sent a virtual gift in memory of Brenda Elaine Rose



Mamie Long Kelly - April 01, 2025 at 05:54 PM

NW

We at Grant Chapel A.M.E. Church will miss the physical presence of Brenda, sister of our Pastor, Rev. Phyllis Rose Brown. However her sweet spiritual presence will always be with us. May God bless and comfort the Rose family.

Nettie Way - April 04, 2025 at 02:39 PM

MS

“ MONICA DENISE SCOTT lit a candle in memory of Brenda Elaine Rose



MONICA DENISE SCOTT - April 01, 2025 at 11:18 AM

CD

“ *Clara DeSue lit a candle in memory of Brenda Elaine Rose*



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**Clara DeSue** - April 01, 2025 at 10:10 AM

VG

“ *Valerie Gore lit a candle in memory of Brenda Elaine Rose*



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**Valerie Gore** - April 01, 2025 at 08:17 AM