



BRENDA J. NUSSBAUM

October 8, 1946 - October 13, 2025

IN LIEU OF FLOWERS MEMORIAL DONATIONS MAY BE MADE IN
BRENDA'S NAME TO:

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY
PO BOX 22478
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73123-1718

MEMORIAL VISITATION:
FRIDAY: OCTOBER 24, 2025
10AM TO 12NOON
STICKLE-SOLTESZ FUNERAL HOME

PRAYER SERVICE:
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12NOON
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PRIVATE FINAL DISPOSITION

Obituary for Brenda J. Nussbaum (Wilkie)

On October 13, 2025, Brenda Joyce Nussbaum (Wilkie) slipped the earthly

bounds to join her friends and family with our Heavenly Father. To say that she was a beloved sister, sister-in-law, mother, daughter, wife, grandmother, great grandmother, and friend would be a vast understatement! Since she was born in New York City to Emily Wilkie (Aguilar) and Owen Wilkie in 1946, she has been as genuine of a family member, friend, and co-worker as anyone could be. Brenda and her family moved to Fair Lawn, NJ, in 1952, where she graduated from Fair Lawn High School and met her husband-to-be, Bill (William) Nussbaum. They soon were married, had three children, Bill (William), Suzanne, and Teresa while relocating to Jefferson Township.

Brenda soon became a valued member of the Jefferson Township Democratic Party Committee and eventually President of the committee. She also worked at Sears at the Rockaway Townsquare Mall for around 30 years, both as a secretary and as an appliance salesperson, having retired twice from Sears. Everywhere she went, though, she brought her genuine concern and interest in the everyone who was connected to her. Brenda had lifelong friendships, including Pat Sotilli as well as the ladies with whom she regularly and joyfully played mahjong.

She was predeceased by her grandson Owen Sarwatka.

Brenda is survived by her loving husband, Bill; her son Bill; her daughters Suzanne Sarwatka and Teresa Nussbaum; her granddaughter Jessica Berger; her grandsons Joshua Nussbaum, and his fiancé Kate Devries; Jordan Nussbaum; and Ryan Nussbaum; her great granddaughter Hailey Devries; her great grandsons Cooper Devries and Jasper Devries; her sister Jan Wilkie; her sister-in-law Betty Ann Yerkes; her nephew James Perrier; and her nieces Allison Susi, Dr. Amy Vigliotti and Megan Lynch.

A memorial visitation will take place on Friday: October 24, 2025 from 10am to 12noon with a prayer service at 12 noon at the Stickle-Soltesz Funeral Home,

187 La Rue Rad, Newfoundland, NJ 07435.

Final disposition will be private.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made in Brenda's name to:
American Cancer Society, PO Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718.

On line condolences and directions: www.sticklesolteszfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

OCT **24**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Stickle-Soltész Funeral Home

187 La Rue Road

(Parallel to Route 23 North between Clinton Road and Union Valley Road)

Newfoundland, NJ 07435

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Prayer Service

OCT **24**. 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

GG

“ *Praying for the family as you celebrate the life of Brenda.* ”



Glenn Gamble - October 23, 2025 at 01:12 PM

MR

“ *Brenda was an amazing human being, showed me the ropes when I started to work at Sears. A true friend and an awesome Mom, grandma and wife. She will forever live in the hearts of all the people she crossed path with.* ”

Marien Ronan - October 21, 2025 at 07:37 PM

SS

“ *My Sincere Sympathy to the Nussbaum family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.* ”
Sue Sofio



Sue Sofio - October 18, 2025 at 02:41 PM

BF

“ *Brenda was our neighbor and when we first moved into the neighborhood and went to purchase a stove, she was more than willing to help. Kind enough to give us suggestions and throw in a plug.* ”
Nice woman who always said hello..



Bell Family - October 18, 2025 at 11:04 AM