



## Brenda Kay Hodson

November 30, 1953 - October 21, 2022

Brenda Kay Hodson, 68, passed away Friday, October 21, 2022 in Joplin, Missouri. Brenda was born November 30, 1953 in Lebanon, Missouri to Richard Lillard and Nina (Masterson) Grimmert. She attended Grace Pointe Assembly of God. Brenda worked with children at her church through Royal Rangers and Impact Girls for a long time. She was the National Commander for Royal Rangers. Brenda also baked foods from all around the world for Boys & Girls Missionary Challenge (BGMC) events. She enjoyed collecting teddy bears and cook books.

Brenda was united in marriage to Don Hodson on August 15, 1971 at the First Assembly of God in Carthage, Missouri; he preceded her in death on May 16, 2007.

Brenda is survived by her daughter, Angie Smith and her husband, Don, of Carthage, Missouri; three grandchildren, Adara, Skylor and Araya Smith; her mother and step-father, Nina and Sanford "Short" Grimmert; her step-mother, Loretta Lillard; three siblings, Rodney E. Lillard, David R. Lillard and Cynthia Lillard; three half-siblings, Daniel Lillard, Ritchie Lillard and Diana Lillard; and four step-siblings, David Qualls, Terry Jones, Jerry Qualls and Mike Grimmert. Brenda is preceded in death by her daughter, Crystal Hodson; two grandchildren, Shire and Ashin Smith; her father, Richard Lillard; and one step-brother, Sandford "Sandy" Grimmert.

Services will be held 2:00 pm on Tuesday, October 25, 2022 at Grace Pointe Assembly of God in Carthage, Missouri. A visitation will be held from 5:00 to

7:00 pm on Monday, October 24, 2022 at Grace Pointe Assembly of God.  
In Lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Royal Rangers and BGMC in  
care of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Online condolences may be made at [www.ulmerfh.com](http://www.ulmerfh.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **24**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Grace Pointe Assembly of God  
1605 South Baker  
Carthage, MO

## Funeral Service

OCT **25**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Grace Pointe Assembly of God  
1605 South Baker  
Carthage, MO

# Tribute Wall

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*“ I love and I'm so grateful to have had Brenda as a friend and sister in Christ. She was always so kind to me from the first moment I met her 37 years ago, and also to my son, whom she mentored in Royal Rangers. My love and prayers go out to all of Brenda's family and friends.*



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**Catherine** - October 27, 2022 at 04:54 PM

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*“ I WOULD LIKE TO SEND MY SYMPATHY TO BRENDAS FAMILY.I know she was a very caring person.Even when she didn't have much she still gave to children in need.I know she was suffering and she was in my prayers every night when she had took a turn for the worse.She is now in the arms of JESUS.GOD rest her soul.MELVA BORLAND*

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**MELVA BORLAND** - October 25, 2022 at 02:32 PM