



## Brenda Joyce Mapp

August 1, 1949 - August 11, 2021

Brenda Joyce Mapp, 72, St. Augustine, formerly of Oakland, CA, died peacefully at her residence on August 11, 2021. She was the daughter of the late Roddie and Mildred Proctor. She was one of six siblings, all who have preceded her in death except her sister Cathy Harris.

Brenda accepted Christ at an early age at North Oakland Missionary Baptist Church. She graduated from McClymonds High School in Oakland, California. While attending the University of California, she met and married Clarence Mapp. To this union their only child Timonthy was born. She continued attending the University of California, where she received a degree in Business Administration with a minor in Management. She went to work at Hewlett Packard and progressed up the ranks to Manager of a large staff. It was during this time that she raised her youngest sister's son Erik Proctor. Tim and Erik were the joy of her life.

Brenda loved to read, learn, and help people. She went into the Cal State Hayward Teaching Program and earned her Teaching Credential with Spanish as a second language. She worked at Horace Mann Elementary School for over 20 years. She loved teaching and truly enjoyed her students. She helped and influenced many students and mentored numerous teachers.

She was excited to retire, and moved to Florida in 2018 to be near her son,

Timothy and grandkids Tahlia and Timothy II, whom she adored. Brenda attended Impact Church with her Florida family and during the pandemic joined online and watched services every Sunday. Brenda celebrated her 72nd birthday on August 1st with her son Timothy and his wife Tiffany, the grandkids, family friends, and her bonus son Erik, who flew in from San Francisco to surprise her.

Brenda was a God fearing woman, who loved people, football, food, reading, and cooking for her grandkids. She had many close friends and family who will greatly miss her.

She is survived by her son, Timothy Mapp, St. Augustine; bonus son, Erik Proctor, San Francisco; sister, Cathy Harris, California; and two grandchildren, Timothy Mapp II, and Tahlia Mapp; a host of nieces and nephews, family and friends.

For those unable to attend services will be livestreamed via the following link:  
<https://iframe.dacast.com/b/156599/c/549019>

St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

AUG **21**. 3:00 PM (ET)

St. Johns Family Funeral Home  
385 State Road 207  
St. Augustine, FL

# Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Brenda Joyce Mapp*



**St. Johns Family Funeral Home** - August 20, 2021 at 02:30 PM

TE

*My Sista & Friend Brenda 😊 Rest in Heavenly Peace 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏  
🙏🌸🌸🌸🌸🌸🌸. Love Sista Teretta Edwards 😭💕💕💕💕💕.*

**Teretta Edwards** - August 21, 2021 at 03:04 PM

ES

*Condolences to the family. Brenda was a kind, gentle and loving lady. God bless and may she rest in eternal peace. Eleanore Stovall 🙏🙏.*

**Eleanore Stovall** - August 21, 2021 at 06:47 PM

LM

*Prayers & sympathy to the family & loved ones of Brenda. Such a beautiful video tribute. I will always remember how her sense of humor and words she said brought full belly laughter to my soul. May God continue healing the hearts of her family. 🙏 Linner Moore, California*

**Linner Moore** - August 25, 2021 at 10:40 AM

DS

*Brenda was a member of the Magnolia Street crew of friends. I be think of her and her family often and at this time I send a prayer of condolence to the family.*

**Donna Childs Scott-Smith** - September 26, 2021 at 07:08 PM

LW

“ RIP my childhood friend of 67 years. This is Linda Walker aka Eliora Yah. You were such a sweetheart, you will be missed by many especially by me. Our long talks and every year birthday wishes, we were two Lionesses that loved to laugh, smile and talk, lol. Gonna miss you girl. 1❤️. My condolences to your family & may Yah continue to give comfort during this transition. 🙏🙏🙏🙏❤️❤️💪💪  
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**Linda Walker** - August 25, 2021 at 12:39 AM

TM

“ Brenda and I have been friends for over 60 years she is the god mother of my daughter Sonya R. Miller. Brenda was the most giving person you'd ever meet, always doing for others. She was the first African American woman to receive a graduate degree in Business from UC Berkeley. I will miss my friend.

*Thomas R. Miller*

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**Thomas R. Miller** - August 21, 2021 at 03:40 PM

MM

*I will miss my sister in law, Brenda, who always made me laugh, even in trying times. I will miss our conversations 😞*

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**Mary Ellen Mapp** - September 01, 2021 at 07:03 PM

BD

“ *What fun we all had growing up in Christ at North Oakland Baptist Church. Your family and especially your grandmother (Mrs. Johnson) were a blessing to all of us at North Oakland. To the family, sometimes terrible things happen to people you love. When your heart is empty, filling it with happy memories can help you find your smile.*

*Sincerely,  
Barbara Piggee Dell*

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**Barbara P Dell** - August 21, 2021 at 03:36 PM

KA

“ *A beautiful big smile, that matched your big heart!!! “Auntie Bren“ you will forever be missed! Your sense of humor that some how always seemed to put me at ease whenever we talked. Funny how God orchestrates our lives so for what is actually “ brief moments in time” we are allowed to meet people through other people and they become like family❤️ This is how I was blessed to meet “ “Auntie Bren“ through “ Auntie Pam”. God’s Love and goodness- now he has another one of his angels back home. Blessings and comfort to all the family-  
Kathi*

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**kathi** - August 21, 2021 at 03:08 PM

LW

“ *The special friendship that my Auntie Brenda shared with my mother, Marie, over more than two decades was unrivaled and never waned even when separated by distance. They did everything together and talked constantly. Everyone remembers her infectious laugh and warm spirit, and I will forever appreciate the light she added to all of our lives. Always the educator, there was never a time I didn't learn something new or was challenged to think deeper when we spoke.*

*On behalf of the Walker family, we send our deepest condolences to the Mapp family.*

*Rest in peace, Auntie.*

*-- Langston B. Walker*

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**Langston Walker** - August 21, 2021 at 03:04 PM

LW

“ *I love you auntie Brenda and will truly miss you, your words of wisdom will always stick with me and I will cherish the moments we had together. May you rest peacefully and I love you. Sincerely, Snoop*

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**Larry White** - August 21, 2021 at 02:58 PM

CD

“ *May you Rest In Peace Auntie Brenda going to miss our periodic long distance calls from time to time..Prayers for your Family and friends.. God Bless You..* 🙏🙏🙏

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**Charles Dyson** - August 21, 2021 at 02:42 PM

RW

“ *My beloved auntie Brenda was truly a class act! From blazing trails in the tech sector, to educating future leaders in the Oakland public schools...she left her mark on this planet! Words can't truly capture all of the ways in which she poured into my life, and I know that her faith in God kept her over the last four years. I am forever grateful to God for blessing us with her presence. I already miss you terribly, and I find comfort knowing that you are at peace, happy and dancing in heaven! Continue to Rest In Power Black Queen. Your work here is done.*

*God Bless.  
Rosalee White*

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**Rosalee White** - August 21, 2021 at 12:52 PM

DV

“ *I first met Brenda 23 years ago when I transferred to Horace Mann School where I discovered that not only were we both teaching 2nd grade, but that our classrooms were next door to each other! We not only became colleagues, but also good friends, eating lunch together everyday and collaborating as we taught our classes right up until I retired in 2015.*

*Throughout the years we remained in contact with each other sharing funny stories about our grandkids and our own lives. I will sorely miss my good friend! I can't believe that she has gone to Glory! I just spoke with her about 3 weeks ago! But the fond memories that I have of her will help to ease the pain and will be a blessing until we meet again! Rest in peace, my dear friend!!!*

*With love and affection, your friend always,  
Debbie*

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**Deborah VanMeter** - August 21, 2021 at 10:42 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Brenda Joyce Mapp.*



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August 21, 2021 at 12:18 AM

PW

“ I will miss my BFF sister "Brennie" as I called her. I thank her mom Mildred Proctor for adopting me into her family decades ago. We have gone through ups and downs and was always there for each other. She loved people, kids, and life. When she uprooted her life 4 years ago to move to Florida, we were so sad. She said, "I'm going to be with my grandchildren and help with them". She was so excited. We talked all the time. That I will miss daily!



*Brennie helped many students, teachers, principals, family members, and people in general. She was always a giver, sometimes to her detriment. We would laugh and say, "well we were stupid again". Then turn around and say, "God will work it out".*

*We are all blessed to have had her in our lives. She loved my daughter Rosalee and her son Anthony so much and they loved her. She was a wonderful person and could tell some funny stories. There will never be another Brennie. God took her peacefully home. I know she is in heaven having a great party with the family, because God doesn't want any junk in Heaven.*

*May this comfort you as you grieve.*

*Blessings,  
Auntie Pam*

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**Pam White** - August 20, 2021 at 11:48 PM

WA

“ *With Love, Maron, Khalil, and Andrew purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Brenda Joyce Mapp.*



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**With Love, Maron, Khalil, and Andrew** - August 20, 2021 at 10:33 PM

YF

“ *Your son Erik Proctor from San Francisco purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Brenda Joyce Mapp.*



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**Your son Erik Proctor from San Francisco** - August 20, 2021 at 10:32 PM

MG

“ *To Tim and family, I send my love and condolences. Brenda was my best friend as well the sister I never had. She was one of my bridesmaids in my wedding. Her niece Keisha was my flower girl.*

*Over the years we both continued to be very productive in our careers.*

*We also shared many stories together such as raising an only son, However, there was one more thing that Brenda and I had that was attached to our names and that was our nicknames. Brenda inherited the nickname Sugar Bear and I inherited the name Slim. We still called each other by those names until her passing.*

*Brenda (Sugar Bear) I will miss you dearly.*

*Love you*

*Marilyn*

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**Marilyn Grant-Fortune** - August 20, 2021 at 09:56 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Brenda Joyce Mapp.



August 20, 2021 at 06:22 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Brenda Joyce Mapp.



August 20, 2021 at 05:08 PM



“ 42 files added to the album LifeTributes



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - August 20, 2021 at 02:15 PM

BC

“ *My auntie Brenda was a wonderful woman of God. I know she's in a wonderful place with Jesus right now and I will see her soon. She had lots of wisdom and lots of love for everyone . Now let us always remember the great memory she left with us. My prayers for the family that God's peace and comfort be with you all. GOD'S BLESSINGS BE WELL*

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**Brian Cravanas** - August 20, 2021 at 02:00 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Brenda Joyce Mapp.*



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August 20, 2021 at 01:51 PM



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August 20, 2021 at 01:30 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Brenda Joyce Mapp.*



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August 20, 2021 at 12:35 AM

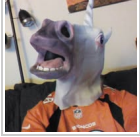


“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Brenda Joyce Mapp.* ”



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August 19, 2021 at 09:02 PM



“ *Mapp Of The World*

*A light went out at our school last weekend. Unfortunately, this isn't the kind of light for which we can call Buildings and Grounds and have them come out in their sweet time to replace. There is no replacing this light. Our good friend and colleague Brenda Mapp passed on.*

*Brenda was a teacher at Horace Mann for more years than I can remember. She was there with me long enough ago that we used to have a bit which went something like this:*

*"How're you doing today Mapp?"*

*"Keep hope alive!" she would say if it had been a tough one.*

*"Oh," I would reply, "Please don't. Bob Hope is nearly a hundred years old and he's not getting any funnier."*

*And we would both laugh and go our separate ways. Until the day some eighteen years ago when Bob finally went to that big USO show in the sky.*

*Now Brenda's gone to join him. Which is nothing short of a tragedy in my book because she was a great teacher and a good friend. She held down second grade for many years, and when it came time to fill in a vacancy in fifth grade, she made the move with grace and style. Her style. She didn't mind if she ruffled a feather or two, and sometimes kids in her class wondered if she was serious. Most of the time, she was, but no child had a fiercer advocate and support than Ms. Mapp. Long before it became the rhetoric of the day, she left no child behind. Hers was the room that kids would flock to, wanting to help sort papers or staple things or just to hang around long enough to get a little bit more. Her students left with knowledge not just of the second or fifth grade, but also the knowledge that they were loved and respected.*

*It was only a few years ago that Brenda left to go live in Florida with her son and grandchildren. We were all certain that those kids were lucky to have such a devoted grandma and it was easy to imagine her watching them grow up and out of the house. Into the world.*

*I know that she won't stop looking after those kids, and all the kids she ever taught. She'll just be doing so from a higher point of view.*

*Aloha, Brenda. You stomped on the Terra, and you will be missed.*

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**David Caven** - August 19, 2021 at 05:33 PM



*We were so lucky to know Brenda for so long. Teacher parties just haven't been the same without her staking out her place in the kitchen. Anyone who came for a serving would get a piece of Brenda, too. I'll remember her laugh, her willingness to engage, and her genuine, caring curiosity about people, especially kids.*

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**Kristen Caven** - August 21, 2021 at 04:26 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Brenda Joyce Mapp.*



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August 19, 2021 at 10:13 AM

TA

“ I worked with Brenda my very first year of teaching when I arrived at Whittier Year Round Elementary School in 1996. At the end of my 2nd year, there were 17 teachers who left the school and we all went our separate ways. Brenda however, made sure that she stayed in touch with me. She was a mentor, supported me in taking the RICA test to get my credential and was a great friend. When I became the principal of Horace Mann, where she worked for over 20 years, she had already retired. However, she made sure to tell the long time staff that I was her friend. She encouraged me a lot through this tough journey up until even the first day of school this year, she wrote "Amen" to my prayer on Facebook. I loved my "Mappy" and I will miss her dearly! I am praying for Tim and his family and her other family members as well. May you find comfort in the sweet memories she left with you!

Tammie Adams

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**Tammie Adams** - August 18, 2021 at 07:34 PM

CS

My name is Carminita Sheppard my daughter Eianna Sheppard was her student. Mrs. Mapp was more than a teacher to my daughter she was her mother at school. The loving care she showed my daughter the many books she gave to us. Which I saved so I could pass on when I became a grandmother, that will happen in December! We are so blessed to have crossed paths with Mrs. Mapp. We will see you in your class room in Heaven! May God Bless the Family! The Sheppards/ Horrace Mann Elementary!!!

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**Carminita Sheppard** - August 19, 2021 at 10:32 AM

TC

“ *Tammie Adams & Horace Mann Community purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Brenda Joyce Mapp.*



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**Tammie Adams & Horace Mann Community** - August 18, 2021  
at 07:29 PM