



## Brenda Lee Velde

August 25, 2018

Brenda Lee Velde, 57, of Port Charlotte, FL., formerly of Bartonville, IL., passed away at 11:58 a.m. on Saturday, August 25th, 2018 at Tampa General Hospital surrounded by her family.

She was born October 4th, 1960, in Peoria, IL, to Andrew T. and Irene (Zimecki) Novotny. She married Rick C. Velde on February 9th, 1985 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Peoria, IL.

Brenda is survived by her husband, Rick C. Velde of Port Charlotte, FL; two sons, Rick D. Velde and Andy Velde of Port Charlotte, FL.; one daughter, Bethany Velde of Port Charlotte; five sisters, Barbara (Dave) Plunkett of Bartonville, Annette (Steve) Drake of Bartonville, Catherine (Phil) Johnson of Elmwood, Denise Novotny of Elmwood, and Mary Ellen Mulford of Hanna City. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and their children.

She was employed at the United States Postal Service for over 25 years and retired as a Postmaster.

She enjoyed boating and walking on the beach collecting shells and sharks teeth. She will be remembered as a beautiful, caring, kind hearted woman who was loved by all that knew her.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Alpha-1 Foundation.

# Tribute Wall



“ To the family for your loss my condolences and may her memories comfort you al and may the grand blessing of seeing her in paradise gives you all courage; John 6:40 , Phillipians 4:6,7

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September 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ With deepest sympathy on loss of your love one May it bring comfort you to know that she will return to the days of her youthful vigor as promised at Job 33:25.

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**Melissa Pioneer** - September 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ Like some of the other people that have shared condolences I too worked with and for Brenda at the REC in Peoria and have fond memories of her. She was a good supervisor and cared about us as both employees and more importantly as people. I was very sorry to learn of Brenda's passing recently and my thoughts are with her friends and family. I hope some solace can be gained by reading these condolences and memories. Brenda was a very important part of our "REC family".

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**Mike Martin** - September 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ My deepest sympathy and prayers for the whole family. I first met Brenda at the REC in 1995. She called me Ann because she was trying to use word association to remember people's names. My last name is Boling so she thought Boleyn, Ann Bolelyn and so called me Ann. I finally had to tell her my name and we really had a good laugh after she told me the story. That cemented our friendship during the REC years. I also went to some get-togethers at the Bartonville house. Brenda was a great person, funny with a wonderful sense of humor and I will always remember her that way.

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**Juil Boling** - September 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ I had Brenda as my supervisor at the REC. She was tough, but also funny and very nice. She loved her family very much and was so proud of them. I'm glad Facebook let us stay in touch. My prayers are with her family and friends.

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**Lorretta Fernandez** - September 07, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ What a beautiful sole, you will be missed.

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September 07, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ I worked for and with Brenda at the REC for all ten years we were open. She was always encouraging and supportive, and incredibly funny. Condolences to all her family and friends.

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**Janice Wood** - September 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

NH

“ I am sorry to hear this. I worked for her and her husband in Bartonville.

Nathan Howard - September 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ Brenda was my supervisor at the REC for 10 yrs. She was a kind caring person. I'm so very sorry for your loss Debbie Cowie

September 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

UJ

“ I did not know Brenda as well as other members of my extended family, but in recent years we had begun to rekindle the friendship we shared - and the unique role she & I played when we first met, in 1979...

Brenda and I shared the unique privilege of serving as Maid-of-Honor & Best Man at the wedding of her sister (Cathy) to my brother, Phil - a marry now going nearly 40-years strong! Even when Brenda and I would sometimes go years between contact, it never took long to re-ignite and re-live those memories of our brother & sister's wedding... Brenda & I always enjoyed finding some way of reminding Phil & Cathy Johnson that we had brought 'good luck & longevity' to their marriage! Brenda had a glowing smile, and a matching personality.

The world is a sadder place because of her passing, but we can take solace in the memory of her warm smile and genuine kindness.



Uncle Jeff Johnson - September 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ I worked for and with Brenda for four years. Loved her professionalism and positivity and stayed in contact with her thanks to Facebook for many years. There were many people that made working at the Peoria REC a very positive experience, and Brenda was definitely one of these people. I'd like to offer my sympathy and condolences to her family and other friends.

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**Brett Bumeter** - September 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Brenda's passing! Brenda ended up being my supervisor at PIA REC! She was stern as a boss, but, that was her job, to make each one of us the best employees we could be! As a friend, she was funny, companionate, and had a huge heart when I needed it most!!! She will be missed and remembered by all who knew her! My prayers for her family to heal together at this hard time!!!

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**Julie Conway Teel** - September 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ Brenda was the very first supervisor I spoke to when I began working at the REC and we grew to become very good friends. She was truly one of my favorite people, such a kind soul and so very funny, but I'm sure I'm not telling anyone anything they don't already know. One of my favorite memories of Brenda is from a New Years get together at her house, where she gave me a belated birthday gag gift. It was a purple cotton bra with really "long" cups. I put it on over my clothes and stuck a roll of quarters (from the game of poker we were playing) in each cup so they hung down really low. Brenda got a kick out of it, but more important was the fact that she knew me. She knew me well enough to know I would rather get a gag gift poking fun at something about myself that I didn't particularly care for so that I could see the humor in things, than to get, I don't know, anything else I suppose. I will forever regret not having yet taken her up on her offer to visit her in Florida. I sure will miss her, and sending prayers for her family.

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**Stephanie Armentrout** - September 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ I am so sorry to hear of Brenda's passing. I worked with her at the REC. She was a great person and fun to work with. Such sad news :(

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**Shelby LaMothe** - September 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Rick and family, Brenda was such a beautiful light in this often dark world. Condolences to you all.  
Mary Lucas

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**Mary Lucas** - September 05, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *I am so very sorry to hear of the passing of your sister, Denise Novotny.*

*Debbi Bitner*

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**Debbi Bitner** - September 05, 2018 at 12:00 AM