



Brenda Stowe Joyce

June 16, 1947 - February 1, 2025

Brenda Stowe Joyce, age 77 of Mooresville, NC passed away on Saturday morning February 1, 2025.

Brenda was born June 16, 1947, in Rockingham County to the late Howard and Estelle Doss Stowe. She was a graduate of Morehead High School in Eden, NC and Appalachian State University. Brenda worked as a teacher for 30 years, primarily as an English teacher at South Iredell High School. At South Iredell, she loved teaching her "kids" and sharing her love of literature. She enjoyed organizing the graduation ceremony each year and serving as the advisor for the Senior class and the Leo club. She was a finalist for the N.C. State Teacher of the Year in 1984. After retirement, she enjoyed monthly lunches with her fellow teachers. Brenda was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Mooresville where she worked with the Women of the ELCA, was a member of women's circle, taught Bible school, and attended the women's lunch bunch. Brenda was blessed with a loving and happy marriage with her husband Steve for 55 years. They especially enjoyed traveling together and had visited all fifty states and many countries. She was a wonderful mother and grandmother and loved spending time with grandson Chase.

Surviving are her husband, James Stephen Joyce; daughter, Lara Joyce Reynolds and husband Michael of Hillsborough, NC; grandson Chase Michael Reynolds; numerous nieces and nephews; and many loving friends and

family. Preceding her in death along with her parents, were sisters Katherine Gillespie (Earl), Genevive Mabry, Jacqueline Donavant (Lewis); brothers Leonard Stowe (Ida) and Franklin Stowe (Shirley).

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 pm Tuesday February 4, 2025, at St. Mark's Lutheran Church (Mooresville) with visitation to be held from 12:30-1:45 pm at the St. Mark's Family Life Center prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Mark's Lutheran Church, the American Heart Association, or charity of the donor's choice.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Joyce family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Previous Events

Receiving Friends

FEB 4. 12:30 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

St. Mark's Lutheran Church
454 Fieldstone Road
 Mooresville, NC 28115

Memorial Service

FEB 4. 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AM

“ So sorry for your loss Steve.
April Oates Mathes



April Mathes - January 06 at 12:02 AM

RR

“ I too had Mrs Joyce in my senior class of 81.
We always had a laugh in later years about the poem " On His
Blindness".
She taught me a great deal and saw her several times later in our
lives in myrtle beach when she was on vacation

Roger Reams - February 03, 2025 at 11:13 PM

ER

“ Erin DeYoung Rowland lit a candle in memory
of Brenda Stowe Joyce



Erin DeYoung Rowland - February 03, 2025 at 06:14 PM

MH

“ Max Hinshaw lit a candle in memory of
Brenda Stowe Joyce



Max Hinshaw - February 03, 2025 at 01:56 PM



“ Mrs Joyce was my English teacher during my senior year and was a wonderful person with an abundance of patience. Anyone who could teach a group of 18 year olds Beowulf and keep a smile on her face while doing so had to be special. She was definitely one of my favorites. God bless. With the highest level of respect- Jeff Edwards

Jeff Edwards - February 03, 2025 at 01:33 PM



“ Much love heading to all who knew and loved her from the Mayhew family!



Mitch Mayhew - February 03, 2025 at 12:54 PM



“ Kim Burrell lit a candle in memory of Brenda Stowe Joyce



Kim Burrell - February 03, 2025 at 10:21 AM



“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family ..I am a cousin but didn't see the family in a long time. Always thought a lot of Brenda and her family .



Ethel Hopkins - February 02, 2025 at 10:19 PM

LC

“ So sorry Steve, Lara and family for your loss. Brenda was a dear and special friend who will be greatly missed. She had a kind, caring, and gracious spirit and was a blessing to all who knew and loved her.

Linda Clark - February 02, 2025 at 09:45 PM

KM

“ Mrs. Joyce was the Best. She had a caring heart and loving soul. When I was in college, she always send me inspirational cards to lift my spirits and inspire me to do my best. To me you're the Greatest Teacher of All Time.



Kevin Mull - February 02, 2025 at 09:08 PM



“ She was a wonderful teacher, with a lot of students who thought very highly of her. Condolences to her family.



Lisa Murdock - February 02, 2025 at 08:20 PM

BS

“ Barbara Stutts lit a candle in memory of Brenda Stowe Joyce



Barbara Stutts - February 02, 2025 at 08:16 PM

RS

“ *She was one of my favorite teachers at South Iredell when I was a student there. Prayers to her family and friends and former students...like me..*

Rasheed Brown Sr. - February 02, 2025 at 07:58 PM

GH

“ *She was a special lady. She will truly be missed. Sending prayers for the family.*



Gwen Hager - February 02, 2025 at 07:35 PM

LL

“ *Lisa Mesimore Lee lit a candle in memory of Brenda Stowe Joyce*



Lisa Mesimore Lee - February 02, 2025 at 07:30 PM

LL

South Iredell High School Senior English Teacher Class of '84. Such a kind soul that impacted this educator's career.

Lisa Mesimore Lee - February 02, 2025 at 07:33 PM

BH

As a fellow teacher, Brenda was a lovely soul and had a smile for everyone. By sheer chance today I ran into two former students I had taught who were in the class of 1994, Amp Turner and Pam Cook. They had seen Brenda's obit and had been talking about her and other favorite teachers as they exited Sorrento's Pizza and I approached. They recognized me and we shared very pleasant memories of her and SIHS from 30 plus years ago.

Barry Henline - February 02, 2025 at 10:14 PM