



## Robert Lee Brent

October 3, 1941 - October 19, 2023

Robert Lee Brent, of Manassas, Virginia transitioned to his new life in heaven at the age 82 on Thursday, October 19, 2023. He was born on October 3, 1941, in Herndon, Virginia, the second child born to Robert and Elva Ornetta (Cooper) Brent.

Robert was married for 57 years to Myra Rebecca Buchanan, whom he “first laid eyes on” during a rival high school football game between Jennie Dean, where Myra attended, and Luther Jackson, where Robert attended. Robert fell in love with “those green eyes,” 63 years ago, and he and Myra enjoyed raising two children, Tammie, and Steve.

Robert graduated from Luther Jackson High School, Merrifield, Virginia in 1960. He served in the United States Army in Germany until he was honorably discharged on February 7, 1966. He was subsequently employed by DC Transit (now WMATA/Metro) as a bus driver. Robert then became part owner of S & B Autobody in Yorkshire, VA where he worked in autobody repair. He left autobody repair to become a claims adjuster for Traveler’s Insurance Company until he retired in the mid-1990’s to join independent adjusters, Goodman, Gable & Gould, for several years. Robert never truly retired and he continued to work for Neighbor Care pharmacy. Then most recently he enjoyed landscaping and snow removal.

Robert was a member of the First Baptist Church, Manassas, Virginia, where he enjoyed serving as a member of the Culinary Ministry. He loved preparing and partaking in great meals, and was a master griller, meat carver and meal planner. Robert delighted in spending time with his family, sharing a meal, laughing, talking, playing games, reminiscing, and sharing family photos. He was exceptionally talented in auto body work, wood working, and furniture refinishing rendering beautiful creations from what some may deem beyond repair. Robert loved the sound of a car engine; it was music to his ears. He could identify any make, model, and year of a car by the unique details and sound of each vehicle. He was known to accompany family members to the car dealership to ensure a good deal. Robert also enjoyed riding motorcycles, accumulating over 66,000 miles on his Honda Gold Wing, and attending his Grandson's baseball and lacrosse games.

Robert was a courageously kind man, with a heart for helping others. If he could help you, he did. He was a husband who deeply loved his wife, a father who fiercely loved his children, a grandfather who absolutely adored his grandchildren, a brother who cherished his siblings and a lovingly kind friend to many.

Robert leaves to cherish his memory: his wife Myra B. Brent, Daughter Tammie B. Howard (Michael), Son Steve L. Brent, Grandchildren Chantal C. Hawel and Ashton M. A. Howard, Great Grandson Milo M. R. Hawel, Sisters Helen E. Brent and Catherine L. Thompson, Brother Calvin L. Brent (Brenda), Sister-in-Law Brenda Minor (Michael), Father-in-Law Lawrence P. Buchanan, God Daughter, Kisha Bush, God Son's Shedrick Bessent, Tyler Lloyd and a host of other beloved relatives and friends. Robert was preceded in death by his Brother William A. Brent and Parents, Robert and Elva Brent.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly ask that donations be made to the Jubilee Association of Maryland in memory of Robert Lee Brent. Jubilee is a disability

support and services organization serving those with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities (IDD). The Brent Family is grateful to Jubilee for providing over 30 years of support for Robert's Son, Steve.

Please access the following website and click on Donate in the upper right corner to donate: <https://www.jubileemd.org>

Family and friends will gather for a Visitation on Tuesday, October 31, 2023, from 7:00-9:00 PM at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center St., Manassas, VA 20110. Funeral Services will be held on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, at 10:00 AM, at First Baptist Church, 9258 Center St., Manassas, VA 20110. Viewing will be held for one hour prior to funeral services. Burial and Military Honors will then take place at 12:30 PM at Quantico National Cemetery, 18424 Joplin Rd., Triangle, VA 22172. A Repast will then be held back at First Baptist Church.

# Cemetery Details

## Quantico National Cemetery

18424 Joplin Rd  
Triangle, VA 22172-1636  
(703) 221-2183

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **31**. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home  
9609 Center St.  
Manassas, VA 20110  
(703) 257-6028  
pfh@piercefh.com  
<https://www.piercefh.com>

## Viewing

NOV **1**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church  
9258 Center Street  
Manassas, VA 20110

## Funeral Service

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NOV 1. 10:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church  
9258 Center Street  
Manassas, VA 20110

## Burial

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NOV 1. 12:30 PM (ET)

Quantico National Cemetery  
18424 Joplin Rd  
Triangle, VA 22172-1636  
(703) 221-2183

## Repast

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NOV 1 (ET)

First Baptist Church  
9258 Center Street  
Manassas, VA 20110

# Tribute Wall

SG

“ I am sending my condolences to the Brent's Family it is my 3rd family to me missing his Greek salad that he makes going to miss it truly Sarah Glenner

Sarah Glenner - November 01, 2023 at 08:03 PM

GL

“ Very sorry to hear the news of his passing . He was a very nice man and was very pleasant to talk to. My condolences to the family and may he rest in peace.

Glenn Q Lowry - October 31, 2023 at 08:49 PM

CC

Our prayers are with you and the family. Robert was very kind and always smiling from the first time met him I will always remember that about him! Sorry we could not make the service.

Carla Callahan - November 01, 2023 at 09:33 AM

JF

“ James E. Brown and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Robert Lee Brent.



James E. Brown and family - October 31, 2023 at 01:00 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Lee Brent.*



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October 31, 2023 at 12:33 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert Lee Brent.

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October 31, 2023 at 12:33 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert Lee Brent.*



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October 30, 2023 at 07:05 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert Lee Brent.

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October 30, 2023 at 07:05 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Robert Lee Brent.*



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October 30, 2023 at 02:30 PM

GC

“ Sending deepest condolences and much love to the family. Praying GOD will give you his Peace and Comfort.

*Gerald and Wanda Creech*

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**Gerald Creech** - October 30, 2023 at 01:12 PM

CF

“ Sending deepest condolences and much love to the family. Praying GOD will give you his Peace and Comfort at this sad time. He was like our Son, Brother, Friend and Helper, too!!

*Catherine Nickens, Lamont, Lola & Clarence McNeil*

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**Catherine Nickens & Family** - October 29, 2023 at 10:31 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert Lee Brent.

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October 29, 2023 at 10:15 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Lee Brent.



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October 29, 2023 at 08:26 AM

BC

“ *Bob & Audrey Champ lit a candle in memory of Robert Lee Brent*



**Bob & Audrey Champ** - October 28, 2023 at 09:15 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert Lee Brent.*



October 28, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Robert Lee Brent.*



October 26, 2023 at 09:57 PM

CH

“ Our dear extended family (Myra, Tammie, Steve, Ashton) sharing our thoughts of love to you on the loss of this wonderful, special man. Yes we will cry but Robert is in the arms of our savor- Robert, enjoyed life and endured the challenges he faced. We can not express in words how to express our sorrow for this loss-but know that we have and will continue to cherish our fond memories that developed in Charlotte NC - Just remember no one can take away the great memories developed over the years-God will take care of you doing this time. Lots of love and memories-Mike & Carol Lilly-Charlotte, NC

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**Carol H.Lilly** - October 26, 2023 at 09:34 PM

SL

*Dear Myra and family. We are sorry for your loss and sharing our sincere condolences. We know how much Robert meant to Mike and Carol. You all have been amazing friends to them and we send prayers out to you during this time. Scott & Shari*

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**Scott Lilly** - October 27, 2023 at 11:53 AM

MG

“ Dear Myra and family, we extend our sincere condolences to you all. You are in our thoughts and prayers.  
Maury & Vera Gerson

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**Maury Gerson** - October 26, 2023 at 07:40 PM

BB

“ *Myra, Tammie, Steve & Uncle Lawrence,*

*I'm so incredibly sorry for the loss of Robert. Please know that he will live on in our memories. My sincerest condolences for you at this time. You have my deepest sympathy and unwavering support. Wishing you peace, comfort, courage, and lots of love.*

*"When you are sorrowful, look again in your heart, and you shall see that in truth you are weeping for yourself and your own delight. Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day. Unseen, but always near. So loved, so missed and held so dear.*

*The Buckhanan Family - Barbara, Ben and Brenda*

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**Barbara Buckhanan** - October 26, 2023 at 02:02 PM

BW

“ *God's reasoning is not always understood and yet we stand on His promises and faithfulness. Robert was an unforgettable, forever memorable man who lived life well. I am forever grateful to have known him and to hold the memory of him in my heart.*

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**Bettye M. Walker** - October 25, 2023 at 08:30 PM

VA

“ *Van And Jewel Almond lit a candle in memory of Robert Lee Brent*



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**Van and Jewel Almond** - October 25, 2023 at 12:48 PM

VA

*Sending our sincere condolences to Myra, Tammie and Stevie. It is our prayer that God will comfort you during this difficult time. Love, Van, Jewel and family*

**Van and Jewel Almond** - October 25, 2023 at 12:57 PM



“ *Our condolences to Mrs. Brent and family during this difficult time. Sending love and prayers to you all! We love you all!*

*The Skillman's*

**Yakara Morales** - October 25, 2023 at 10:53 AM



SN

“ *My sincere condolences to Myra and the family. Sheree Northrup*

**Sheree Northrup** - October 25, 2023 at 08:57 AM

AT

“ *My prayers and sincerest condolences to the Brent family.*

*‘The Comforter speaks, gently saying, earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal.’*

*May God the Father continue to wrap you all in His loving arms of care. May the peace that surpasses all understanding be yours through Christ Jesus.*

*Sending my love,*

*Annette Taliaferro-Dews*

**Annette Taliaferro-Dews** - October 25, 2023 at 12:34 AM



MS

“ Prayers to family and friends. I meet Robert a few years ago .  
Robert and Lester cut my grass plus cut some trees down for me he  
was a very kind person. he will be missed by every one he touch.  
RIP Robert pleasure knowing you.

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**mary smallwood** - October 24, 2023 at 09:41 PM