



Henrietta "Hank" Jennings

October 12, 1942 - January 8, 2022

Henrietta "Hank" Prince Jennings, age 79, of Royal Oak, Michigan, passed away on Saturday, January 8, 2022. Born on October 12, 1942, to the late Garnette Lucille Owens Counts and Allen Benson Counts. Loving mother of Daniel (Denise) Jennings, Jr. Dear sister of Noel (Brenda) Counts, Jeri Morgan, the late Phyllis Magdziarz, and Shirley Joan Sutherland. Dearest grandmother of Danielle Jennings and Deanna Lyght. Treasured aunt to the late Donita Jo (Bryan) Scott, Richard Morgan Jr., Mary Brown, and Christi Counts. Cherished great aunt to Caris Brinkley.

Henrietta was born in Haysi, Virginia and at age twelve, relocated to Madison Heights, Michigan. After graduating from Lamphere High School in 1961, she briefly moved to southern California, but returned to Michigan where she soon married Daniel Jennings, Sr. In 1967, their son, Daniel Jennings, Jr. was born.

Henrietta was a devoted and loving mother, who enjoyed raising Dan, and supporting him in his various sports including travel hockey, Motocross, and little league baseball.

Henrietta was also a passionate Red Wings Hockey fan following and cheering on the team for decades. Called "Hank" by most who knew her, she could always be found at a Red Wings Hockey game or playing Fantasy Hockey. Her favorite player was Steve Yzerman.

Henrietta had a long, successful career as radio station manager at WLDM and Q95 in Oak Park, Michigan.

Henrietta especially loved celebrating Christmas and would decorate elaborately with hand-strung popcorn and cranberries for the season, cooking wonderful holiday meals, and giving delightful gifts. She also enjoyed traveling to Nashville, Tennessee, visiting her siblings, and taking walks in the park. She was an exceptional singer and loved country music. Additionally, she was very good at board games and a tough contender at the game Scrabble.

Henrietta was well known by her friends as thoughtful, generous, and kind, always willing to listen and encourage others.

Years later, Henrietta chose a quieter life surrounding herself with close friends. She passed away in Royal Oak, Michigan. Henrietta will forever be missed by those who loved her.

A funeral service will take place on Saturday, January 22, 2022, at 11:00 am at the Cana Lutheran Church, 2119 Catalpa Dr., Berkley, MI 48072. Family visitation begins at 10:00 am until time of the service.

A private interment will take place at the Oakview Cemetery in Royal Oak, Michigan.

Please send flowers to the Cana Lutheran Church.

Cemetery Details

Oakview Cemetery

1032 N. Main Street
(south of 12 Mile Road)
Royal Oak, MI 48067

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Cana Lutheran Church
2119 Catalpa Drive
Berkley, MI 48072

Funeral Service

JAN 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Always enjoyed partying with you, Dan, & Jr in '70s.
Love and Peace, God Bless us all

FLOYD HORNBACKER - December 21, 2025 at 02:00 PM

KC

“ I worked with Henrietta at Costco. She was caring and had a wonderful sense of humor. We kept each other laughing, I always had a better day when I knew I would get to work with her. Her stories about working at the radio station were fascinating and so unexpected. I think of her often and will remember her fondly. Miss you Henrietta. 💜

Kimberly Chamberlain - January 28, 2022 at 03:33 PM

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“ Noel, Brenda, Christy & Caris Counts purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Henrietta "Hank" Jennings.



Noel, Brenda, Christy & Caris Counts - January 19, 2022 at 02:40 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Henrietta "Hank" Jennings.



January 17, 2022 at 09:25 PM

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“ *Lori, Jamie & Kristi purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Henrietta "Hank" Jennings.*



Lori, Jamie & Kristi - January 17, 2022 at 02:45 PM