



Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak

March 26, 1948 - August 11, 2023

Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak, aged 75, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on August 11, 2023, in Overland Park, Kansas, surrounded by her loving family and many life-long friends. A time for remembrance will take place on Saturday, August 19, 2023, from 1:00 to 3:00 P.M. at Maple Hill Funeral Home. A celebration of her life will commence at 3:00 P.M.

Born on March 26, 1948, in San Francisco, California, Toni was the cherished daughter of Philip and Anna Palazzola. She found her calling as a dedicated beautician, where she excelled as an owner and operator of her own salon. In 1968, she united in marriage with the love of her life, Robert Benak, Sr. Together, they embraced the journey of parenthood, raising four children: Andrea (Jim) LaFayette, Bobby (Heather) Benak Jr., Teresa Burford, and Phillip (Becky) Benak.

Toni's memory lives on through her surviving siblings: Roberta Govoreau, Joyce Corrigan, Virgie Palmesino, and Kenny Laureman. She is also fondly remembered by her legacy of 12 grandchildren: Ricky (Shannon) Vaughn, Justin Vaughn, Kory (Abbie) LaFayette, Mackenzie LaFayette (Omar Simon), Baylei (Luke) Lauber, Bentley Benak, Sam Michael, Lauren, Dylan and Jack Burford, and Miller and Laela Benak; and, 7 great-grandchildren Grace and Gideon Vaughn, Sophia and Jameson LaFayette, Ashton and Avery Ukah, and Woodford Lauber. Toni was preceded in death by her parents, her loving step-father, Jimmy Laureman, and dear sister, Janice Prince.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

AUG 19. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home
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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery created a Tribute Video in memory of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak*



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - August 17, 2023 at 04:15 PM

PD

She was such a pretty person see where every one got there good looks. Rest in peace Toni

Pat deemer - August 18, 2023 at 09:04 PM

SZ

Am very sorry for you loss, Andrea. Just finished the “walk” thru your mom’s life with your family via the beautiful video tribute here. What great memories of lots of love you all surely treasure.

Suzanne Zimmerman - August 20, 2023 at 05:17 PM



“ *Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak*

October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak.*



August 19, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *Pretty Please* was purchased for the family of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak.



August 19, 2023 at 08:17 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak.



August 18, 2023 at 10:57 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak.

August 18, 2023 at 10:57 PM



“ *I will always remember going on vacation to Kansas from California. Toni would always take me to the beauty shop with her. We had fun all day. Drinking coffee and talking to her customers. She has a strong spirit! I will miss her.*

Kenneth Lauerman - August 18, 2023 at 06:23 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak.



August 18, 2023 at 12:01 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak.



August 18, 2023 at 11:47 AM



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August 18, 2023 at 11:47 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak.



August 18, 2023 at 09:52 AM

CF

“ Colby, Lisa Watford and family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak.



Colby, Lisa Watford and family - August 18, 2023 at 08:50 AM

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“ Colby, Lisa Watford and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak.

Colby, Lisa Watford and family - August 18, 2023 at 08:50 AM

JD

“ Toni was my faithful friend and beautician for over 40 years. She would be there for her patrons even with a cast on her arm and later when she lost her leg, I would marvel at how tough she was and her determination to not let any thing keep her away. She was a beautiful woman and I am proud to have called her my friend.
Jackie Duckett

Jackie Duckett - August 17, 2023 at 05:41 PM



“ 154 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - August 17, 2023 at 03:26 PM

JC

“ We will miss Toni and the unique loving way about her. I recall the joy when Chad and TJ first met her as youngsters; she immediately became known as *Grandma Toni!!* That was her way ❤️ ... we will remember her fondly and forever!
Love, Julie Ann and Kendall

Julie Ann Coyne - August 17, 2023 at 02:04 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak.



August 17, 2023 at 01:56 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak.*



August 16, 2023 at 02:21 PM



“ *Our sincere condolences, Andrea, to you and your family on the passing of your dear mother. Keeping you close at heart during this difficult time. Sending much love, Donna & Ernie Wickstrom*

Donna Wickstrom - August 15, 2023 at 06:39 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak.*



August 15, 2023 at 03:13 PM



“ *Bob and Family, I am very saddened to hear about Toni's passing. I wish I had taken the time to come visit. I have many many memories going back to when I had my first taste of "Toni's Homemade Lasagna" at your house on 91st street and to this day it's the BEST I have ever had. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Teddy Freese*

Teddy Freese - August 15, 2023 at 02:44 PM

EH

“ When our boys Phil and Jonny were in grade school, jr. high and high school the always hung out at the Bengals home. I never worried Toni was always on mom duty and made sure the were ok. I'll always remember her smile and how she loved her family.

elizabeth heriford - August 15, 2023 at 12:22 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak.



August 15, 2023 at 12:14 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Antionette "Toni" Providence Benak.



August 15, 2023 at 12:08 PM



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