

Thankful in 2021, Brenda Ingersoll

I am thankful for so many things this year especially.

For my co-workers and that they all try to do the best job they can with community in mind. For the snow removal crew for keeping our driveway clear and walkway. So important for those who can't do it themselves. For my job, that I love. Rama is the best place to work!

Most of all, I am thankful for my family. My wonderful daughter in Phoenix who just completed her third master's degree in education and her Principal papers, while she taught full time. For her lovely family, her husband Jeff and their two children, who I miss so much.

For my son in Hamilton who has returned to school having found his passion in life and for all the things he is doing to educate the general populace on Native identity through podcasts and as a consultant.

For my granddaughter who is heroin free for two months now. Fingers crossed.

For my daughter who lives close by and her children who bring laughter and joy.

And for my great grandchildren Issac and Mya who brought such joy into our lives and are truly wonderful children. We are fortunate to be able to raise them. I thought I was busy before!

And for my husband Dave who is there whenever I need him and for all the things he knows and does. I could not do this without him. His love and patience have been an anchor all through the lockdowns and health concerns. He has been a rock for me and the kids.

In spite of Covid, lockdowns and general life ups and downs there is truly much I am grateful for.