



Linda Jean Rose

July 30, 1947 - October 16, 2020

Linda Jean Rose, my best friend and wife of 30 years, passed away Friday, October 16, 2020 as a result of cancer. Linda was born to Joseph and Isobel Rose (Vaughan) on July 30, 1947 in Mt. Clemens, MI. She graduated from Franklin High School in Livonia, MI and attended Michigan State University, Schoolcraft College, Wayne State University and Lansing Community College. After 38 years, Linda retired from the State of Michigan Department of Treasury, Bureau of Investments, Alternative Investments as an investment analyst. She served over a year as her unit's Director. A devout animal lover, Linda was also an avid gardener in the Lansing area and Grand Marais, MI. There was no plot that couldn't be gardened and no plant that couldn't be saved. Linda was a voracious reader of both books and newspapers and could converse on any subject or issue.

Linda is survived by her husband, Walter R. Keck; sons, Anthony E. Keck (Shannon) of Bristol, TN, Michael D. Keck (Soleil) of Okemos, MI; grandson, Alexander Campbell Keck; sister, Renee Rose of Oscoda, MI; brother, Robert Rose (Vicki) of Minot, ND; brother, Brad Rose of Ann Arbor, MI; and siblings, JoLynn Mariotti, Joseph Rose, Laurie McAfee, and Richard Rose; and numerous nieces, nephews, and grand nieces and nephews.

Linda and her family would like to thank the entire staff at the Jack Breslin Cancer Center and especially super nurses Natalia and Therese. Thank you also to McLaren Home Health Care and nurse Angela and to McLaren Hospice nurse Lisa. These are people who are good and good at what they

do.

While there will be no services at this time, contributions in Linda's memory would be appreciated to The Capital Area Humane Society and to the MSU Breslin Cancer Center to the attention of Heather Spotts. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Linda on her Tribute Page at www.PrayFuneral.com. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Cemetery Details

Central Michigan Crematory

Battle Creek, M I

Tribute Wall

JP

“ *My condolences to the family and especially to you Walt. Linda hired me as a young intern 22 years ago while she was acting administrator. I've talked often to others about her kind but effective leadership style. She always had a vision for what she wanted done and communicated it so well. Her kind words and belief in me changed my life for the better. I will forever be grateful to have worked with her. She was an iconic and pioneer woman in Private Equity.*

Jamie Prevo - November 10, 2020 at 10:18 AM

AD

“ *We are deeply sorry that Linda has passed. We enjoyed some pleasant times with Walter and Linda many years ago, and her death has brought those happy times back to us. Our condolences to Walter and his family, as well as hers. Alice and Jerry Deck*

Alice Deck - November 01, 2020 at 03:54 PM

LG

“ *Family support has been a strong suite for this enduring family. Decades of resiliency & perseverance shines for Linda who's legacy has been being a fine example to us all. Love and respect, your family friend Linda Heaton Grates*

Linda Grates - October 26, 2020 at 06:08 AM

GB

“ Linda was a warm and caring lady with courage and compassion. She and Walt bought our home in Grand Marais and we enjoyed many visits there with them. I loved to see how she made the yard come alive with plants of all varieties. We were always excited to meet them at new breakfast places that they always seemed to find in the mid Michigan area. Linda spent one of her bouts with illness making an entire chest of clothes for my granddaughter's first American Girl doll. Doing for someone else when she was so ill and not complaining was the kind of fabric she was made of. She was one wonderful person who made the world a better place. Much sympathy to her family. Rest peacefully Linda.

gwen bradish - October 22, 2020 at 12:50 PM

DP

“ Linda was the dearest of friends. My life was far richer for the last 45 years because she was in it. She loved her family with her whole heart. We shared so many of life's joys and challenges together. We had fun beyond measure and could always find adventure around the next corner. I admired her compassion, curiosity, intelligence, wisdom, and creativity. My sincere sympathies to all who loved her quiet strength. I knew no braver warrior against cancer than Linda.

Diana Popp - October 17, 2020 at 10:37 PM

MK

“ I met Linda through her sister Renee, who is my dearest friend/sister. Linda was a wonderful lady, she was warm and sincere; my husband and I visited her and Walt in Grand Marais in our RV and we had the best time! I will always remember Linda with special fondness in my heart. Linda, you fought the good fight, now rest in peace in God's loving arms.
Maggie & "Flash" Koller
Ocala, FL

Maggie & Flash Koller - October 17, 2020 at 09:24 PM

JL

“ Walt and Linda we're our neighbors in Dimondale for many years until we moved to North Carolina. We enjoyed their friendly demeanor and willingness to always help when needed. Linda was a very special lady with her warm smile and compassion. She was a true friend and neighbor and will be missed by everyone who crossed her path. We will keep the family in our thoughts and prayers. May she Rest In Peace and let Perpetual light shine on her.

Jack Lattin - October 17, 2020 at 05:07 PM

LN

“ I only met Linda once with Walt in Clare, Mi while going North. She introduced me to an antique shop in Clare. I have known Walt for almost 50 years. My sympathy to your family.

Linda Norwood - October 17, 2020 at 10:35 AM

KJ

Linda was a rare woman. She was kind, compassionate, loving, fun, creative and just one of the best people on the planet. She truly was. My heart breaks for my brother, nephews and family. Linda Rose was a treasure that cannot be replaced.

Kim Jones - October 17, 2020 at 12:12 PM

DZ

I went through Maggie's passing with Walt, and then Linda entered his life with her love, fun and flowers and I watched him bloom. I last saw Linda in McLaren's Emergency Room the last week of July and we talked for almost an hour. She and Walt have been in my prayers ever since. She fought a long, hard fight and I will miss her. Rest in Peace, Linda.

Dana Zamiara - October 17, 2020 at 05:31 PM