



Linda L. Bowersox

June 1, 1954 - March 10, 2009

Linda Lou Bowersox, 54, of Topeka passed away Sat. March 7, 2009. She was born June 1, 1954 in Lincoln, KS, the daughter of the late Donald "Shorty" and Wanda Sue (Kerns) Mason. Linda grew up in Plainville, KS and graduated from Plainville High School. She attended Marymount College in Salina, earning her Bachelor of Science in Nursing in 1976. She was employed at the Marian Clinic in Topeka as a Registered Nurse. Linda held various jobs in healthcare in Salina, Mankato and Emporia. She served as an active member of the Mankato School Board and was a member of Christ the King Catholic Church in Topeka. Linda enjoyed golfing, camping, Bunco, art classes and spending time with her family and friends. Linda married Daniel Paul Bowersox on June 19, 1976 at Plainville, KS. He survives. She was preceded in death by her father, a sister, Debbie Lue Mason and her father in law, Melvin Lee Bowersox. Survivors include two daughters, Michelle Shroyer (Matt) of Topeka and Janel Wright (Matt) of Clay Center; a son, Eric Bowersox of Topeka; her mother, Sue Mason of Plainville; a brother, Don Mason (Jeanie) of Gardner; a sister, Frances Benedick (Phil) of Plainville; two grandchildren, Kobe and Grace Shroyer of Topeka; 4 nieces and 4 nephews. Linda will lie in state after 2:00 p.m., Tues. March 10, 2009 at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW. Urish Rd., Topeka, KS 66614 where the family will receive friends from 6 to 8:00 p.m. that evening. A parish rosary will be prayed at 7:30 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m., Wed. March 11 at Christ the King Catholic Church. Burial will follow at

3:00 p.m. that afternoon at St. Concordia Cemetery in Concordia, KS.
Memorial contributions may be made to the Linda Bowersox Memorial Fund
and sent in care of the funeral home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Linda L. Bowersox*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Dan and family,*

I was so sorry to receive an email from Therese to tell me that Linda had passed away. I will always remember her ready smile and the mischievous look in her eyes. We had so much fun while at Marymount and I have loss touch with so many but frequently remember those years with great fondness. Linda was a special person and it was a privilage to know her. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Annette MMC 1975

Annette DeBolt Benoit - April 20, 2009 at 09:31 AM



“ *Francie and Family, We are deeply sorry to hear about your loss.*

When someone you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure. Author Unknown. Tausha & Bill Stahl Family

Tausha & Bill - March 13, 2009 at 09:29 AM

DI

“ I met Linda when you moved to Emporia and I started cutting her hair. We laughed and cried together on occasion.. She was so concerned about Janel with what she was going through at the time in Manhattan and Eric was adjusting to a new school and then enlisted in the military.

I had a strict rule about not crying in my chair and she came in and promptly started crying and I thought Eric had been sent to Iraq. I of course started crying with her and then to my utter amazement found out that he had only been sent to boot camp. We had good laugh and became fast friends. She was a warm loving person and we connected immediatly. Her family meant the world to her and her Faith was amazing.

She came into the Salon while Janel was having her last fitting at Madaly'ns and told me that her time was fast approaching but she was

praising God that she was still feeling well enough to be involved in the Wedding plans. She was so real. I will miss her. God Bless You All

Deb Irsik

Deb Irsik - March 11, 2009 at 08:21 PM

RZ

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Dan and his children. I knew Linda as a classmate in the early 70's at Marymount. Sincerely,
Randy Ziegler

Randy Ziegler - March 11, 2009 at 09:39 AM

MH

“ Dan and family, We were so sorry to hear about Linda. We have so many wonderful memories of our years at Marymount that sometimes seem so far away and sometimes like they just happened yesterday. Please know that we are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers. Take care.
Matt & Eileen Halonen

Matt & Eileen Halonen - March 10, 2009 at 09:55 PM

NB

“ To Dan, Michelle, Janel and Eric: Bob and I were saddened to hear of Linda's death. When we last visited with her, she seemed as vibrant and positive as always, and we hoped she was going to beat the cancer and illnesses that had plagued her. She put up a good fight and gave life her all. Bob and I were blessed to have met her and known her as a friend who at times could be wild and crazy, full of joy and laughter, but also very compassionate and full of heart. Surely her absence in your lives will leave a hole that nothing can replace, but we pray you will find comfort and peace in the beautiful memories that each of you have. Linda was someone very special to many people, including Bob and me. You are in our thoughts and prayers. With love, Nancy and Bob Becker

Nancy and Bob Becker - March 10, 2009 at 07:54 PM

TR

“ Eric, I am sorry for your loss and my thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family.

Tyler Robinson - March 10, 2009 at 07:38 PM

JM

“Michelle and family,
I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Jamie Mckinsey - March 10, 2009 at 05:22 PM

RL

“There is no pain so great as the memory of joy in present grief.
Know that I am here for you if you need a shoulder to cry on or an ear to listen.

*For everything there is a season,
And a time for every matter under heaven:
A time to be born, and a time to die;
A time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
A time to kill, and a time to heal;
A time to break down, and a time to build up;
A time to weep, and a time to laugh;
A time to mourn, and a time to dance;
A time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
A time to embrace, And a time to refrain from embracing;
A time to seek, and a time to lose;
A time to keep, and a time to throw away;
A time to tear, and a time to sew;
A time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
A time to love, and a time to hate,
A time for war, and a time for peace.
~Ecclesiastes 3:1-8*

*I hope time heals the horrible pain of your great loss of such a wonderful person! She will be missed so much by so many of us!
Love You Francie~ remember I am here for you!
RENEE*

Renee Eilers- Littrell - March 10, 2009 at 04:28 PM

LC

“ It has been a long time since I have talked with Dan and Linda, my thoughts always cherish the time of my life that was spent with them and the Naillieux's while they attended Marymount College. My prayers are with the Dan and the family in this time of loss.
Sincerely, Larry Colahan.

Larry Colahan - March 10, 2009 at 02:29 PM

RW

“ Our prayers go out to all of your family. May you always keep your memories close as she will always be with you.

Robert & Vonda Wakefield - March 10, 2009 at 12:58 PM

SM

“ My first meeting of Linda was at MaryMount College when she was a freshman and I was a junior. She was always smiling with that smile of her's and always had a twinkle in her eye of "what can I get into next." She was always so happy and very giving. The night we juniors stole all the freshmen girls stuffed animals and held them for ransome she was so funny in her expressions of disbelief and concerned for the held hostage stuffed animals.I lost contact with lots of people from MaryMount and I am sadden to hear that she has been called "home" and there are no words I can say that will easy your pain as a family other than God let her hang out with us for 54 years and now she is with him free of any pain, hurt or suffering...You know she is doing her nursing thing in heaven and my grandmother is there asking for advice along with my dad who is singing her some jazz or blues tunes and she is just smiling and being her gracious self.

God Bless you all and may he guide you know his love is surrounding you.

Sheila McDonald - March 10, 2009 at 12:35 PM

KK

“ *Bowersox Family--
I am so sorry for your loss. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Your mother was a very lovely women, whom I knew as "Michelle's Mom". I will never forget the times we had at your house during our young years of High School and those lovely Mashed Potatoes with cheese and hot dogs your mom made for us. Oh I hope you always have those great memories of your Mom and never forget her. If you ever need anything please let us know.
Bless you all Kristal Walker*

Kristal Kindler-Walker - March 10, 2009 at 11:42 AM

CZ

“ *I worked with Linda for a short time at Marian Clinic. I was always amazed at her willingness to keep on working for others despite her own fragile health. I admired her strength and the ability she had to continue her commitments to family and community for as long as she could. With sympathy, Carolyn Zimmerman*

Carolyn Zimmerman - March 10, 2009 at 11:27 AM

TB

“ *Francie and family, so sorry to hear of your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers. With deepest sympathy, Tonya*

Tonya Bethel - March 10, 2009 at 11:11 AM

BL

“ To Dan, Michelle, Janel, Eric,
Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of you in this great time of loss. But I hope there is comforte kowing that she is at peace with our lord. I have many found memories of Linda that will never fade,it was a joy to know her for she was the type of person one could never forget.

Love

Brice snd Silvia Loomis

Brice and Silvia Loomis - March 10, 2009 at 09:32 AM

BR

“ Francie and family, my prayers and condolences.

Beverly Rama - March 10, 2009 at 09:05 AM

GL

“ Francie and Family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you. If there is anything we can do for you, please let us know. God Bless you all!

Gwen Lewis - March 10, 2009 at 08:27 AM

HA

“ To Family and Friends,

I first like to write: “I will miss you Linda.”

As I look back I think of the many fun times we had as children. I still can hear her laughing saying “Oh buddy you’re so silly”.

The one thing that stands out most was the time I left Plainville for the last time to move away. I was excited and sad, not knowing what to expect. As I sat in the truck getting ready to leave I saw Linda come running to the truck. She had tears in her eyes. She ran up to the window wishing that we would stay in Plainville. I never forgotten that moment since at that moment it seem like we were going to be separated by vast oceans, but little did a twelve and ten year old know that we were only being separated by eighty miles, and would continue see each other through out our many years.

So to Dan and family I would like to express to you my thoughts and prayers. I would also like to say that even though she has left us she still will always be with us in our minds and hearts. We were so lucky to have known her as a Daughter, Sister, Cousin Wife, and Mother and especially as a friend.

God Bless

*Harlan (Bud) Andreasen and Family
Bremerton Washington*

Harlan (Bud) Andreasen - March 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ To the Mason Family... Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Linda was an inspiration to many and will truly be missed. May you walk with God at this time and be strengthened by his love!

Jerry & Bonnie Staab - March 09, 2009 at 05:38 PM

JB

“ Linda was one of the first people we met when we moved to Mankato...it was at church - our first week here. Our paths crossed often during the years we knew her and were sad when you all moved. Eric and our daughter were in the same class so we had fun watching them grow up for some years.....fun! At work she was an inspiration to me and always spurred me on to learn more and to be better...she was a great teacher to all; at play she brought such fun and loads of laughter; during hard times she lifted my spirits and during her hard times she allowed others to try to lift hers. Lots of fun times on the golf course, holiday parties, stuff. Linda and John shared a birthdate she would never admit to her actual year, though!

You have all been in our prayers for a long time now, and now the prayer has changed.....that you will keep close the memories that she made with each of you separately and together. She will be in your hearts as well as in the little things she left behind to remind you of her love for all of you.

May God's grace and strength be with you.

John and Jeanne

Though nothing can bring back the hour of splendor in the grass, of glory in the flower, we will grieve not, rather find strength in what remains behind. William Wordsworth

John and Jeanne Bleecker - March 09, 2009 at 05:16 PM

BN

“ Francie and Family~~~
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May God be with all of your family and be your strength during this time. I will be praying for all of you.

Bobbi Norton - March 09, 2009 at 03:43 PM

JD

“ *Francie and Family, I was saddened to hear about your loss. Our prayers and thoughts are with you at this time. If you need anything please let me know. Just cherish the time you were able to spend with Linda. That will be wonderful memories.*

Judy and Don - March 09, 2009 at 03:24 PM

JL

“ *Francie & family and Sue, Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time of loss. You have a beautiful angel watching over you from heaven above. Your broken heart will be filled with precious memories. Always know that I am here for you. Our love to all of you.*

Janet & Don

Janet Languain - March 09, 2009 at 03:03 PM

LA

“ *Francie and Family: Just know that you are in my prayer and thoughts if there is anything that you need please let me know. Craig and Laurie Augustine and girls.*

Laurie Augustine - March 09, 2009 at 03:03 PM

CK

“ *You're in my thoughts and prayers. Just remember that you have been blessed to have had such a great and loving person in your lives. I know it's a hard time to go through, but just remember that she is in a better place now. If there's anything you need, I'm only a phone call away. Dan & Cindi Knipp*

Cindi Knipp - March 09, 2009 at 02:29 PM

CR

“ *Francie & Family: We are so sorry for your loss. Please know that we are praying for your comfort, protection, and peace through this difficult time.*

Psalm 34:18. "The lord is close to the brokenhearted and rescues those who are crushed in spirit."

Chris, Heather, & Ben Rinehart - March 09, 2009 at 01:51 PM

MA

“ *So sorry Francie. Just know that she is in a happier/better place and that god is now taking care of her.*

Mardi - March 09, 2009 at 01:49 PM



“ *Fancie and Family-
Know that all of our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.
Let me know if there's anything I can do to help. Love ya, Brandy &
Dale Wilkerson Family*

March 09, 2009 at 01:15 PM

KF

“ *Francie and family~Please know we are thinking about you and your family during this tough time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you always. If you need anything, please don't hesitate to ask!
All our love-Kim, Jeremiah, Devin, Emily and Elizabeth*

Kim and Jeremiah Brown and Family - March 09, 2009 at 01:07 PM

DM

“ I had the pleasure of working with Linda at the Marian Clinic. No matter what was going on Linda was always in good spirit. The lives she touched at the clinic will always be the richer for having known her, I know mine will. To the family of Linda, my heart felt condolences go out to you and thank you for allowing Linda to be a part of Marian Clinics life.

Donna (DJ) Meyer - March 09, 2009 at 12:03 PM

BG

“ Dear Linda,
God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be. So He put His arms around you and whispered "come to me." With tearful eyes we watched you go. Although we will always love you dearly, we could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hardworking hands at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best. Peace, prayers and blessings.

Burt Burris and Shannon Graham - March 09, 2009 at 11:42 AM

DM

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family & friends of Linda in their time of sorrow. May you cherish all the memories you have had with her and keep them close to your heart that's where she'll always be. Until you meet again, May God bless and keep you all! Rest in Peace Linda.

Doc & Rochelle Mather - March 09, 2009 at 10:11 AM

GP

“ Sorry for your loss.

Gregory L. Palmer - March 09, 2009 at 09:47 AM

DB

“ *My thought and prayers go out to you all. My loving memories and friendship of your wife and mother will stay with me always. D'Ann*

D'Ann Basart - March 09, 2009 at 09:20 AM

TI

“ *Our family would like to express our sympathy at your loss. Your family is in our our thoughts and prayers.*

TieDyeClay & Michelle Walters

TieDyeClay - March 09, 2009 at 08:40 AM

JA

“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to your family during this time of grievance. Please let us know if we can do anything to help you in any way possible. Family and friends must come together as one group during this time of need to support one another and get through this episode of our lives and know that we need to celebrate the good times we had with Linda and cherish those wonderful memories. May the Lord be with you during this time of need.*

*Sincerely,
Joe Anderson*

Joe Anderson - March 09, 2009 at 08:12 AM