

## Linda E. Hanley

October 1, 2022

Linda E. Hanley passed away October 1, 2022. She is survived by her loving husband of over 55 years and two sons, Thomas and Scott as well as three brothers. She was the daughter of the late Rita and James Demers.

She was a graduate of St Xavier's Academy and Roger Williams Hospital School of Nursing. She also received a BA from Rhode Island College and a Master's Degree from Roger Williams University.

She worked in the intensive care unit for newborns at Roger Williams Hospital for many years where she met some of her closest friends. She loved dancing and cooking and laughing and we were fortunate for the many friends she had in Quechee, VT, among many other places around the country.

A quote from one of her friends sums up her impact by saying " the world will be a less colorful and a more boring place without her in it"

At Linda's request there will be no funeral service or memorial and her family just wants those who knew her to celebrate her life as they remember her.

# Tribute Wall

BS

“ I was a friend of Lindas at St.Xaviers ..we were friends throughout high school and roamed the streets of Woonsocket and Cranston on the weekends..We had great fun..we also worked for awhile at Women and Infants hospital before she moved on...She was full of laughter and fun then ...I am glad I found this tribute wall so I can express to my sympathies to her family whom she loved ..Barbara Lussier Staveley

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**Barbara Staveley** - November 26, 2022 at 09:29 PM

“ To our loving Aunt Linda,

*Throughout life, you have always been our biggest fan. It always meant so much more at events when "Linda would be there" to cheer us on, whether it was track meets, soccer games, tennis matches, school performances, the New Years Polar Plunge, or casting the contest-deciding vote (most recently donut-decorating). When we were kids and put on a sax/trumpet concert at Christmas, no matter how "beginner we were," we always received the loudest round of applause for trying (along with Molson's backup howls). You took "babysitting" literally, and your YIPs were nothing but signs of (sometimes painful but loving) affection.*

*We have always respected and loved you for how fair and unabashedly honest and true you were, something very rare today. You taught us to be silly, and to appreciate life with "I'm Thankful For" speeches, everflowing Moet champagne, laughter over Macy's Day bloopers, high-stakes Ping Pong tournaments, Stevie Nicks singing impressions, the holiday scent & joy of Mother's Dressing and chex mix, and the warmth of the Hanley family (was it the Swizz?) during holidays. Linda, you taught us to not stress over the small things, have fun, be foolish, and to always enjoy life and the company you're with, travel, cherish the ocean, and savor every bite, especially at the Matunuck Oyster Bar.*

*Thank you for being our support, always so caring and showering us in wholehearted love. We already miss you terribly; We will remember you by the Hampton seabreeze and when waterskiing at the lakehouse. We'll see you in vibrant holiday decorations, and in the simple and graceful beauty of nature, and of course when experiencing the raw bliss after eating a good oyster and washing it down with champagne.*

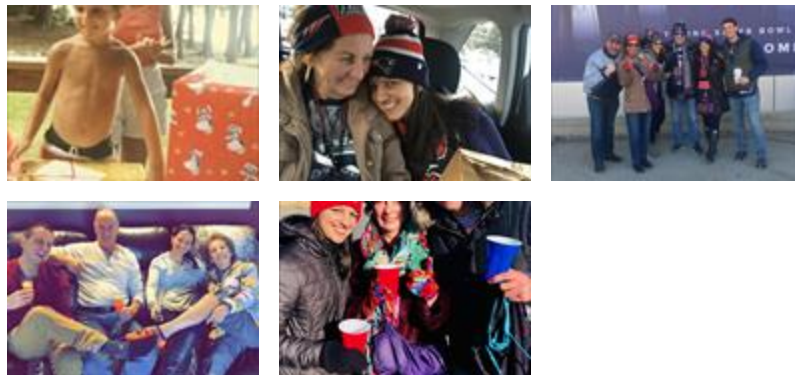
*Mostly, we love and thank you for being Dad's best friend and comrade. He treasured every time you opened your door, smiling and knowing that you would be spending quality time together. You*

were one in the same, the way you respected and loved each other. You were his confidante, "his person" he talked with every morning and confided in. You truly made him feel complete the way you were attentive to our lives, and most recently, the pride he had and the bond and laughter shared when showing videos of Baby Juliana. To Dad, you were always his big sister, the protector, always his voice of reason and he is heartbroken without you.

Scott, Thomas and Tom we love you and are so sorry. You have always been the "cool family;" the ones we'd look so forward to seeing during the Holidays and we will miss your mom and wife so much. Cheers to sweet Aunt Linda, the most supportive and best guardian angel anyone could ever have.

We love you,

Justin, Jessie and Hank



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Justin - October 11, 2022 at 07:29 PM

EL

Tom,  
My deepest sympathy to you and your boys for Linda a great lady, God bless her and my prayers at mass on All Saints and All Souls Day will be offered on my behalf for her. Dotty and I Ernie Lapre wish you the best.

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Ernest Lapre - October 30, 2022 at 07:47 PM

RS

“ Tom, was so sorry to hear about Linda...my heartfelt condolences to you and your boys.... God Bless❤️

Roberta Soucy - October 08, 2022 at 02:25 PM

NL

“ I am so sad that Linda has left us. We have been friends since nursing school (almost 60 years) and several of us have managed get together periodically through the years. We've spent many weekends together where lobsters and champagne were a must, and we were raucous and outrageous! I will always remember Linda's dry wit that made us laugh til we cried. These memories always make me smile.

I am sad that Linda won't be joining us for our next get together, but I know she'll be with us in spirit. We'll have lobster and champagne, as always, and we lift a glass to Linda. Thank God for memories.



Nancy Lindsey - October 06, 2022 at 06:03 PM

JH

“ Dear Tom and family,

*Please accept my sympathy on the loss of your beloved wife. I know how much she meant to you and your family.*

*Jim Higgins*

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**James Higgins** - October 06, 2022 at 12:39 PM

BD

“ Dear Tom, Thomas and Scott,  
Please know how much your Wife and Mom was loved.

*I have so many wonderful memories of her. She was absolutely one of my dearest friends.*

*I am praying for you all. I know what a difficult time this is. My heartfelt sympathy, prayers, and love is with you. My life is better for having had Dear Linda in it.*



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**Barbara Davis** - October 05, 2022 at 09:48 PM

LK

“ Rest in Peace Linda. I will always treasure our memories at Roger Williams General Hospital School of Nursing. No one could sing "Felicia" better than you did! Deepest sympathy to your family and friends.

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**Lois A Keenan** - October 05, 2022 at 11:10 AM

CD

“ *My lifelong friend.... I will miss you but your memory will always make me smile... as I remember all the joys and laughter we shared!!!!*



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**Christine DeAngelis** - October 05, 2022 at 10:45 AM

DG

*I have known Linda and her son Scott for many years ; so sorry for your loss , may your mom Rest In Peace and May the memories you shared help comfort you at this difficult time!! Prayers for all !!❤️  
Thinking of you and your family!!*

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**Darlene Goryl** - October 09, 2022 at 10:13 AM