



## Linda Neely

February 24, 1961 - October 21, 2006

Linda Kugler Neely found peace on Saturday, October 21, 2006 when she went to be with the Lord. She was a devoted mother to her two children and close friend to many.

Linda was born February 24, 1961 in Syracuse, New York, the daughter of Philip C. and Nancy (Lathrop) Kugler. She was a 1979 graduate of Mexico Academy where she was very active in student government. Linda was employed by New Life Adoption where she delighted in bringing families together by uniting Chinese babies with local families. She attended St. Paul's Methodist Church where she thoroughly enjoyed teaching her Sunday School class. She was an avid gardener and found great joy in her flower gardens. Linda was predeceased by her mother, Nancy Lathrop Kugler and brother, Sean Finney Kugler.

Linda is survived by her son, Henry and daughter, Nancy; father, Philip C. (Flora) Kugler of Mexico, New York; sister, Eileen (Mark) Bradish of Volney, New York; four brothers, David Kugler of Forest City, Pennsylvania, Philip M. (Debbie) Kugler of Erieville, New York, Adam (Tracie) Kugler of East Syracuse, New York and Patrick (Sara) Kugler of Mexico, New York; brother-in-law, Gerald (Cindy) Neely of Syracuse, New York; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Services: Saturday, October 28, 2006, 10:00 a.m. in St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 2200 Valley Drive, Syracuse, New York.

Burial: Mexico Village Cemetery, County Route 16, Mexico, New York.

Calling Hours: Friday, October 27, 2006, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, 4612 S. Salina Street, Syracuse, New York.

A scholarship fund has been set up for Linda's children:

Linda Neely Memorial Fund

HSBC Bank

Attention: Susan Kimball

Shoppingtown Branch

6570 Kinne Road

Dewitt, New York 13214

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Linda Neely*



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**Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home** - October 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *My dearest sister, this holiday season without you was not the same. Not even close. I miss you SOOOOOO much. Your jovial attitude and tremendous smile were always the life of any celebration, and now there's a huge empty space. I'm trying to stay close to Hen and Nan, and let them know how much I love them. I will always do my best in that regard because I know that's what you would want. Stay with me and guide me. I need you. You were always the best friend anyone could ever have had. I miss your laughter, your hugs, your stupid jokes and that fantastic grin, but mostly I just miss my friend. With all my love forever, Leaner.*

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December 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *Two months have passed and it still seems surreal that Linda is gone. She was instrumental in turning the two of us into four. Each day that we look at our daughters, we are thankful that we had the opportunity to know and work with Linda; she is truly missed by many. She made everyone feel like they were the most important and never had anything but kind and encouraging words. We wish her family, especially her children, peace during this holiday season.*

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November 20, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *It has taken me a while to write this because everytime I go to write I start to remember. I remember all the times I spent with Mrs. Neely in the Sunday School room, and how proud of Nancy and Henry she was. She would always give me updates on the family even if the kids didn't know. She was always happy no matter where she was or what she was doing. She always had a big smile on her face and made you feel like everything was going to be okay even if you were having the worst time of your life. Mrs. Neely was like a second mom to me, always there for me and ready to listen if I needed someone to talk to. To Henry and Nancy, I love you guys with all my heart. You guys are like a brother and sister to me. I can't believe what you two must be going thru at this time in your lives, but please remember I am always here for you! No matter what time of the day or night. Our door is always open, if you just want to get away. I love you guys with all my heart. Your mom will be greatly missed.*

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November 01, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are adopting from New Life and Linda was always very helpful and kind to us. Our best wishes and love go to all of her family and friends. She was very special.*

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October 31, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda was a very warm, caring person. She was as thrilled as I was when she called to tell me my daughter's referral had arrived. Her smile will be greatly missed at New Life activities. My best to her family, whom she loved dearly.

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October 30, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Henry & Nancy, As I type this note I see your Mom staring at me with that awesome smile. It could light up a room! I know she has passed that smile on to both of you (I have seen it!) I hope you will be able to use it again soon... You have the support of many people don't be afraid to ask. You will be in my thoughts and prayers as will the rest of Linda's Family. Rest in Peace Linda, you are in God's garden now, where every flower lives forever!

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October 29, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Linda, Where do I begin? Pre school, Meacham, Girl scouts, Sunday school, pitch games late at night, at Camp Hoover, while girl scouts "slept". I never saw you where you weren't smiling, and warm and kind. You always were helping with something, usually it had to do with kids. I know you totally loved your role at "New Life Adoption". You spoke of it with such joy. You loved children! You loved gardening, you inspired my garden! The world isn't as nice with out you in it. Henry and Nancy, You are wonderful kids, teens now. I am heart broken that you have to deal with this horrible loss. You have so much of your Mother in you both. I've always seen her in you since you were little. I pray as time passes your pain lessens. Your Mother will always live in your hearts, she will always be with you, I know you both will do her proud. God bless you.

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October 28, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ For those of us who believe in angels on earth we believe that Linda was truly one of them. She touched our lives in ways that words can never express. There is a Chinese legend that in essence says we are all connected by a red thread. Linda in a sense was a weaver of the tapestry that is made up of the many children from China and their families. When I look at my children I see the reflection of Linda's smile looking back at me. We will be forever connected to her. She was my friend and I will never forget her. Linda, I will love you forever!!!

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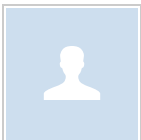
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“ To Linda's family, We grieve with you on the loss of your mother, daughter, sister and friend. Linda will never be forgotten. We will always remember her kindness, support and intrinsic part of our life with our daughter Sonja Rae Li Fan and was currently guiding us on our journey to our second daughter. Linda's warmth, kindness and passion for her family and other families will be her legacy. May you find peace and comfort. The Greens'

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October 27, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Henry and Nancy our thoughts and prayers are with you today and the days to come. Your Mom was a loving and beautiful person. We will all miss her warmth and smile.

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October 27, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ We met Linda in Jan 01 when we first started our adoption process. Linda was a light and joy to us all. Both my husband and I felt connected to Linda. I suspect she made everyone feel that way. I'm sure our story is similar to countless others. She made everyone feel special, she made you feel as though you were the only family she was working with. We loved Linda and told many, many people about her and about New Life. It was because of Linda that we experienced two amazing adoption adventures. She made a long and tedious process so much easier. Even with all the phone calls and e-mails from me, she never once made me feel as though I was an imposition. She truly had a gift. What Linda gave to families was more than anyone can dare dream of in an entire lifetime. What other profession contributes so greatly to the human condition? Linda helped create our beautiful family. She will always be a part of our forever family. I will miss talking with her, keeping her up to date with our lives, sending her pictures of our girls, having her name pop up in our e-mail. Now that she is with God, I know that she is looking down upon us. I have to believe that she will still be instrumental in what was probably her life's work. There are still so many children that need families and so many families that need children. In addition, I hope that Linda will be a beacon to all who need to change their lives. A beacon to those that need to realize there is a better life for them and that they deserve it. Linda, we love you. Your beautiful and loving spirit left an indelible mark on our lives. Nancy and Henry, we will pray for you always. I hope you will always know how deeply your Mom loved you and that she will always be close by. She will always be your guardian angel.  
Sincerely, Mary Ann and Mark Purdum, Ontario, NY

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October 27, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Linda; You grew up with my dad (Jimmy) and he spoke highly of you as a wonderful person, and the silly times that you had together. Now you can be with him and continue to share those times together. Your daughter, Nancy, showed great respect for us at the time of the loss of my dad, and that is something that i will never forget, and i will hold forever in my heart. (Nancy; please keep in touch)~LoveLindsey Wallace

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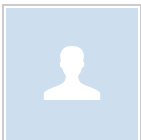
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“ Our deepest sympanthy goes out to Henry and Nancy and other members of Linda's family. Your mom will always be with you in your hearts forever. She made a picture for me with dried flowers that was absolutely beautiful. It was a gift for my mom and dad's 50th anniversary. Since then my dad is no longer here, but the picture and the memories are. That's what will give you strength in this difficult time. The wonderful memories and the love she has given you over time. It will always be with you. Sincerely, Nancy Taylor and Justin Taylor

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October 27, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda's smiles and hugs will be missed. She went above and beyond duty one Saturday to make sure we got an adoption form before leaving for China. She's done God's work in helping us build our family.

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October 27, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda was a very important person to our family. She was very upbeat, positive and patient. She will be truly missed. We feel very honored to have known her.

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October 27, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda you will be greatly missed. You were Zoe's favorite Sunday School teacher. Your smile will never be forgotten. Henry and Nancy you will be in our prayers.

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October 27, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda, we all will miss you so. You lit up the room with your beautiful smile. You were all of the kids favorite Sunday school teacher and we were so glad they had you in their lives. Henry and Nancy, our thoughts and prayers are with you. God bless you both.

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October 27, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ A gentle spirit. A beautiful smile. Her kindness will always be what I remember. I am sure that she was A shining light of hope for those who wanted to adopt. My family and I will Miss her.

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October 26, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Although I only knew Linda through our son's friendship over the past few years, she seemed to be such a truly wonderful and happy person. She seemed to be such a wonderful mother. She was a proud woman with a beautiful smile. Henry and Nancy, our prayers are with you and we will help you in any way we can.

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October 26, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda was helping my husband & I start our family. She was helpful, patient and kind and always had a smile on her face. She will be missed by all.

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“ I guess it's true that only the good die young. Rest in peace Linda! you were nothing but a wonderful person.

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“ YOUR PROFESSIONALISM AND DEDICATION TO CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED. YOUR SENSE OF HUMOR WAS UNFORGETTABLE. I HOPE AND PRAY FOR PEACE FOR YOUR CHILDREN. YOU ARE IN A BETTER PLACE NOW, HELPING THE LORD WITH THE LOST DAUGHTERS OF CHINA. FONDLY KAREN

October 26, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda was a sweet and caring person who helped us immensely during our adoption process. We will miss her dearly.

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“ Linda we love you and will miss you. You were a great mom and friend. You will be truly missed and will be in our hearts forever.

October 26, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ I am a Westhill Parent's Club member and had spent a little bit of time with Linda. Though I didn't know her well, I remember her being so sweet and kind and always with a warm and welcoming smile. Her generosity and committment will be missed by our community. God Bless Linda and may her family find peace. ----  
Kristine Gonzalez----

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October 26, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ We wish to send our thoughts and prayers to Linda's children, family and friends. We knew Linda through the New Life Family and will be forever grateful that she was there to help us complete our family. There are no words to describe the happiness she brought to so many people. Please take comfort in the knowledge that she was loved and loved you all very much. She made difference in many lives and will be greatly missed.

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October 26, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ I grew up with Gerry and Mike, and my heart is broken over this tragedy. May God Bless and care for all of you.

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“ Linda, you will forever remain in my heart. You were such a joy and a blessing to me and touched my life and the lives of countless others, in ways that cannot be adequately expressed in words. I know God is holding you in the palm of His hand. I love you.

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October 26, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Henry and Nancy, you should always be proud of your Mom and all she did. She did so many wonderful things in her lifetime. I know that she is now looking down on all her little ones. She will always be remembered in our family. Thank you Linda for helping us bring our daughter home.

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“ Henry-I remember your mom as a truly loving person, who was so interesting and intelligent. We shared a love of flowers, and I remember talking about that, and many other things, at length a few years ago when I last saw her at Meachem. I pray for her as I pray for you and Nancy, that somehow the pain you feel from this incredible loss will be lessened by the love and support that surrounds you. Just remember in your saddest moments, your mom is right by your side helping you get through. Her love for you never ends. God's peace to you and your family.

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“ I will always remember Linda for how kind she was to everyone. I will always remember how she would laugh whenever I would do some stupid stunt back in High School. It was always so nice to see her when she would come up to Mexico for the Field Days or a Reunion. The last time I saw Linda I remember saying to myself ... "My God could she be any nicer?" Linda you will be sorely missed, God Bless you and your Family.

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October 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



*“ We are deeply saddened by this tragic loss. You were a special lady, and will be missed by so many people. You were so instrumental in assisting with adoption of our daughter and I shall be forever thankful to you for such a wonderful gift. Your children now have a very special guardian angel to watch over them. I wish you peace.*

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October 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



*“ I am so sad and still in shock. Linda was a brightlight in a fallen world. She always made me laugh. She talked about her children all the time. Please find comfort in the knowledge that love is so powerful it lives on. Not even death can take it away. Henry and Nancy, shine on and make your mother proud! She loves you so!!*

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*“ Linda, I echo the thoughts of mom and dad hoping you are together with Mary once again. I still can't tickle or be tickled without thinking of you and Kathy.*

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*“ Linda brought a bright light to many people with her warm smile and sincere caring. She helped me bring a beautiful girl into my life and I will always remember her for this.*

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“ You will be so sadly missed, not just by me and my family, but by many, many others! Thank you so much for all you did in your too short life. You truly were a caring, compassionate, kind-hearted person. This world has truly lost a special and wonderful person, and we will never be the same.

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“ I had the privilege of getting to know Linda when we worked together in the same building. Our offices shared a suite. She was a great gal and always had a smile on her face. I remember her home on the south side and how proud she was of her gardens there. I also remember when she and Mike bought the home on Broad Road. She was looking forward to the move and felt it would be a positive one for her children. Our offices separated and moved shortly after that and we lost touch. Unfortunately, life does that to you sometimes. My condolences go out to her family, especially her children. I hope they will grow up to shine as brightly as their mother did.

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“ Dear Linda, I don't believe we ever met, but Rob and I both worked at Fed. X. We were so upset learning of the great loss to your family. I have thought of you and your family every day since. I also lost my older daughter to domestic violence. I think of her daily, as well. Sometimes we don't know all the answers, but I do know that your children will eventually be ok. It sounds like they have a big family to love and to continue to care for them. ( Rob and I are caring for two of our grandchildren. They are our blessing, just as your children are a blessing to all who love them.) I feel very close to you and your family at this time. I will pray that your children heal quickly, carry the love you gave them, walk tall and proud and continue to believe that the world can be a beautiful place. Bless you all. Yvonne

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October 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ I was very sad to hear about Linda's passing. She helped me to have a family. She was an honest sn sincere person. I will never forget the day of my referral-Linda was jumping up and down almost as much as I was seeing the picture of my daughter Natalie. She brought joy to so many lives, and she will be missed very much.

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“ You added so much to so many people's lives. You helped so many people bring their babies home from China. I am so sad to know that you will not be there to greet us as we get off the plane with our little one that you worked so hard to get the paperwork to China for. God love and keep you.

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“ God only Takes the Best!! Must be he needed another angel.. Rest in Peace Linda, God bless your children and family during this tragic time. Untill you all meet again

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“ I will miss you at the New Life fuctions and you calling me Aunt Sharon. keep smiling where ever you are.

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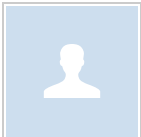
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“ I remember first meeting Linda and the kids when I delivered the newspapers. I believe Henry was only 4 and Nancy had just learned to walk. I also remember babysitting and Linda showing off her beautiful gardens in the back of her home in the Valley. Linda was a wonderful person and will be missed. Henry and Nancy remember all the fun times and all the wonderful memories of you mom.

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October 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Henry and Nancy, Your mother touched so many lives! Through New Life she helped create many, many families including ours. We could not be more grateful for your mother's guidance, assurance, fantastic always-positive attitude. We gained so much with Linda's help! Words simply can not describe our gratitude. We will always remember her laugh and great smile. We will miss her greatly! Although we can not show our respects in person, please know that we are praying for your entire family.

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“ As your one and only fabulously favorite sister...you already know how I felt about you. I know that there was never a question about our love for one another and I am so grateful for the forty awesome years we spent as best friends. I will miss you so desperately, but I also know that you will always be with me. We will always be sisters, but (because I know how you like to have the details) we actually were able spend 14,951 days as best friends here on earth! I've always admired you, I just didn't tell you often enough. Love you bunches!! XOXOXOXOXOX Leaner BeanP.S. (: How many candles do ya think they'll let me get away with lighting? :)

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“ Linda walked our journey with us in bringing our beautiful baby Madeleine into our family. She will always have a very special place in our hearts.

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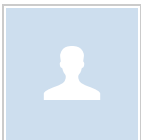
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“ Linda will truly be missed. She was a very out-going person and a friend to all that knew her. I graduated with Linda and I always knew that she would do great things in her life. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Linda and I only wish I would have reconnected with her. Love a friend in heart, Cindy

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October 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Nancy...I'm Bryan Burgmeier's Mom. I just want you to know that you have so many friends at OHMS that love and support you

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“ Linda's smile & her joy will continue to live on in the love she gave to her family and friends. She truly was one of those people who it was a blessing to be around. She was a great woman, mother and friend. I will miss her deeply. My sympathies to her family. May your faith help ease your pain.

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“ My deepest sympathy to Linda's family. I met Linda through Bridget back in the early 80's, and we had several years of great times together. I last saw her when she was pregnant with Nancy. She was absolutely glowing and so excited to be expecting her second child. She was a fun loving girl who's spirit brought happiness to those she touched. She truly will live on in all who knew her, and that is something no one will ever be able to take away from us. I'm pretty sure heaven has now become a much brighter place to be. Linda, you had the greatest laugh, sweetest smile and the Hugest Heart. Thanks for the memories! Suzy (Boogs)

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“ You brought joy and love to us all. I am blessed to have known you. You will never be forgotten. You were my friend and I loved you.  
Danielle

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October 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



*“ I had the good fortune to meet Linda when we worked together at New Life Adoption Agency. She was always an upbeat, very positive person, a true joy to know. The whole world will now suffer due to this tragic, untimely loss, and my thoughts and prayers are with her family members.*

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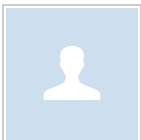
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*“ After reading all the special messages for you , it is so wonderful to see all you have done, and all the happiness you brought to so many. I remember You In a Little different light, My best cousin as kids and all the summers we spent together. I remember picking beans and hiding them in our halters, Then trying it with strawberries, That did not work so well:).How did Aunt nancy always know???? Then how great you were with all the animals and how awful I was . how about when we tried "everything tast great when it sits on a ritz" they forgot to tell us you could not make them 3 hours ahead and refrigerate them :).I loved the memories we had as kids and best cousins. I loved you . Love Dorie*

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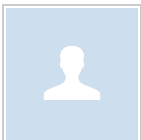
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*“ Linda you will be missed by all. I will always remember your smile. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

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*“ Linda was so considerate and thoughtful in our adoption of our daughter, Liann, from PRC two years ago. Her kindness and sincerity will be sadly missed by all the adoption community! Our deepest, heartfelt condolences to her children and to her family.*

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October 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda was instrumental in our adoption of our daughters, Megan MeiZan (2003) and Mikaela YuLian (2005) - bringing them home. She helped us complete our family through adoption a?" we are eternally grateful. She expressed such joy with the referral of our daughters waiting for us in China. Linda was extremely kind, understanding and patient and will certainly be missed in the adoption community. Linda was truly an extraordinary person that touched all our lives. It is with much sadness that we write to extend our deepest sympathies to her children, Henry & Nancy, and family. We just know that an angel has taken her under wing.

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“ I am so sorry to hear about Linda. I only met her at her daughter's lacrosse games, out daughter's played on the modified team for Westhill Middle School. She was a lovely, caring person. I immediately liked her and felt a bond with her. Please accept my sincere condolences.

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October 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda will be greatly missed by all that knew her but her life was full of giving and a big smile, she will be in our hearts forever. May God Bless and give her and her family peace.

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“ May Linda's love, devotion, zeal, along with her abounding goodness become a life light and comfort for Henry, Nan and her family. I hope both Henry and Nan will continue on the journey of the new life their mother was building for the three of them. Linda's truest source of constant joy were her children, both Henry and Nan possess their mother's gift for living life fully. May the blessing of God's love, comfort and grace be with you all the days of your life, just as your mother's love will be.

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“ Henry & Nancy, Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. I loved to watch your mom garden in the front yard, she was such a beautiful lady. She will be missed. Please let us know if we can do anything, you're such wonderful kids! Sincerely, Jeff, Ginny, Kristin, and Jim Wolbert

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October 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda helped form our family through adoption. She was never bothered by the constant phone calls I placed frequently about our adoptiona?"I was looking for her kind voice to say everything would be O.K., and I knew Linda would be there for me, to encourage me, and give me the hope I needed to get through some agonizing days. She cried happy tears with my husband and I when we first glimpsed at the pictures of our daughter waiting for us in China. She said that this was the best part of her job, "delivering" the babies. She put her heart and soul in her position at New Life and brought so much comfort to others by the way she did it. My tears go out to you Henry and Nancy. Although I never met either of you, whenever your mom and I met, she always talked about what you were doing in school and how proud she was of both of you. We will miss you deeply Linda. Christine and Matt McGivney

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“ I am so glad I had a chance to see and talk with Linda this past summer. I remember thinking she is exactly how I remembered her as a kid - smiling - joking about how she,Mary and Kathy picked on the younger sisters; as you would guess it was never mean but "fun picking". I like to think Linda and Mary are together again.

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“ Linda and I went to school together, from grade school to graduation in 1979. I cannot imagine anyone wanting to hurt someone like her. She was a great person, always friendly and kind, very smart and loved life. I am deeply saddened by her death and even more so by the circumstances of it. I would like to express my deepest sympathy to all her family and friends. The world has lost a really good person. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

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“ We just met Linda when she moved into her new home about 8 weeks ago. I saw a sincere smile and sparkling personality that will last a life time for us. Although it was only for a short time, Linda will always be in our thoughts. I can understand how someone like Linda touched so many lives. Her charisma and sunny disposition will always be shining upon us in our neighborhood. Linda, you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers; especially Nancy and Henry. I had the opportunity to meet Nancy - a mirrored image of her mother -- what a blessing! May Linda rest in peace during this sorrowful time and please accept our sincere condolences. Linda and Dusty

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“ I first met Linda at St. Paul's and her smile is something that I will always remember. My heartfelt sympathies to her children and family. May you feel God's loving arms around you and find peace at this difficult time.

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“ We will always remember what good friends you and Mary were. We hope that you are together now.

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“ Dear Linda,

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“ Linda, your love for life will be greatly missed. Henry & Nancy I know you can lean on your faith to help you through this time in your life. We are all here for you. Love the Annables

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“ We could have just been interested parents sitting next to each other at a meeting, a concert, or a sporting event but something made each of us look deeper within each others "inner selves". I am so glad we did. Linda I thank you for sharing your smile, the neverending, "tell me what I can do to help", the little bit of underlying humor in our every day lives, and our "December twins". You are forever my friend....go in peace. Love - Sandy

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October 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda was a special friend to all of us who meet her through New Life Adoption. I will always remember her smile and warm caring personality. She was a gift to us all.

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October 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ We are so saddened by this tragedy. Linda was a very Instrumental part of Jay and I becoming a family. She was so excited when she found out we were adopting our second daughter. We have known her for 5 years and are going to miss her so much...

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October 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Henry, Nancy (and the rest of Linda's family) our prayers are with you. We are devastated over our loss. Your mom's calming and always happy disposition are an amazing quality. We wouldn't be the family we are (and are about to become) without your mom. She IS the reason we decided to adopt from China. She talked about you often and is so proud of you!! The Lore Family

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“ I didn't know Linda, but wish I had the chance. She seemed like a very wonderful, caring person and most of all a devoted mom to her children. May God Bless You, and Family bondness with help at this time.

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“ We will never forget Linda's phone call to us telling us of our new daughter, and her excitement when she gave us our first glimpse at her picture. Throughout the process, she was completely supportive and encouraging and, I can only imagine, instrumental in tying up the numerous details that adoptions entail. Along with our daughter, we send our sincere sympathy to her family. Please know you and Linda are in our thoughts, and Linda's role in creating our family will be remembered always.

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“ My prayers are with Linda's family at this time. Linda helped to create my family through adoption and due to her committment to work and her caring personality, four children now are home from China and with me. I am saddened by the loss of Linda and feel that her life's work with adoption has enriched so many families. Peace be with Linda and her family at this time.

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“ You were an important person in our famlies life. Thank you for bring us Fu Li E ( Amelia ).

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“ Our hearts are broken knowing you are no longer with us. You played a vital role in uniting us with our daughter and will forever be remembered as a warm, kind and generous person. Our prayers are with you and your family. You will be sadly missed. With deepest sympathies, Stanley, Jean & Emily Ziemba

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“ Nancy loved her children so much. My husband coached her daughter in lacrosse and she was always the first one to say thank you. She raised two beuatiful children with hearts that are kind like hers.

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“ Being Leo Eisner's office manager for the last 14 years, I had the chance to meet and get to know Linda. I'll always remember her for her smile and her laugh, the way she always made you feel comfortable from the moment you met her. We often discussed our children, and it was obvious Linda cherished and adored Henry and Nancy. My thoughts and prayers will be with Henry and Nancy and all the members of Linda's family. Linda, you will never be forgotten...you will always be remembered with the same happiness you gave to others.

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“ Linda was one of our greatest blessings in life, as she assisted in completing our family through adoption. We will forever remember her warm smile and big hugs at the milestones along our journey to adopt our daughter Carly and our soon to be daughter, Meilyn. We will miss you Linda! Our hearts are with your children and your family. Be at peace.

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“ I have just recently realized that I know Linda Neely. Her son Henry was in band with me. During a band concert at Meachem my parents purchased beautiful picture frames from her. The picture of her on here couldn't be anymore ""right"", for she was constantly smiling and spreading her smile to others. She was a great person and a great mother. Just simply knowing her through Henry vaguely, she touched me in a certain way..people just don't seem to have that happiness and charm as she did anymore. She will always be remembered and she will always be in our hearts. Rest In Peace Linda. And may God bless her family through these hard times.

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“ Although I never met Linda, I'm sure that we've seen each other at school functions-our children attend the same school. I often would admire her flower garden on my way to and from work. A great deal of love and care went into it. I pray for her peace now. God's blessings to her family and friends

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“ Linda was a wonderful person and I enjoyed her friendship back in the "Meachem" days. I'll always remember the fun times we had at Brownies with Jenny and Nancy; also our breakfasts at Nedrow Diner. I could tell she was a great mom, and always so energetic, and always had a smile on her face.

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“ Thank you my dearest cousin Linda for helping me learn how to feel my feelings. Your laughter and ever present smile, your hugs and genuine love will keep you alive in my heart and mind always! I love you!

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