



Linda L. Welker

March 27, 1961 - September 3, 2018

Linda L. Welker, 57, of Gratz, passed away on September 3, 2018. She was born in Harrisburg on March 27, 1961, a daughter of the late Barbara and Neil Kreitzer. Linda was employed as a Nurse at Geisinger Holy Spirit Hospital, Camp Hill. She was very passionate about nursing and helping people in need. Linda enjoyed camping, horseback riding, shopping, and her grandchildren.

Linda is survived by her husband Ricky Welker, daughter, Alycia and Jerry Geary; three sons, Matt Engle and Dara (Miller), Steve and Ashley Welker, Andy and Kim Welker; and nine grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a brother Garry Kreitzer.

Memorial Service will be held at 3:00 pm on November 4, 2018 at Simeon United Lutheran Church, Gratz. Visitation with family and friends will be from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 4. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Simeon United Lutheran Church
173 N Center St
Gratz, PA 17030

Memorial Service

NOV 4. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DP

“ I wish I could have gotten an opportunity to know Linda. From comments here she was a special lady. Neil Kreitzer was my birth father. My sympathy and prayers to her family.

Debra Pertschi - September 10, 2018 at 11:14 AM

GR

“ The type of true kindness and compassion Linda displayed is rare in today's world. Her gentle spirit, smile and love is truly missed. Recently, she gave Suzy a box of coffee, which just last week, we were able to make a cup of coffee (Linda's favorite) to a patient who was in a time of need. Suzy said, "Look, she is still helping."

Much love and many prayers to Linda's family and to Rick for blessings of healing.

We love you.

Gretchen - September 10, 2018 at 09:19 AM

AS

“ I worked with Linda for many years at Holy Spirit. She was a trusted colleague and someone that you could always be counted on to do the right thing.

Prayers for her and for Rick.

Rest in peace Linda.

Anne Marie Sawyer - September 09, 2018 at 12:38 PM

KW

“ Linda and I worked closely together at Holy Spirit, first when I would send students to the ER and, when she moved into her Guest Relations role, we were true partners in crime working on the best way to give the best to the patients at Holy Spirit. This has been a truly heartbreaking loss and one that is hard to comprehend.

Linda's legacy will live on in the countless lives she has touched, as a wife, mother, grandmother, friend, colleague, or patient/family member. My sincerest sympathies to her family and prayers for peace in the coming weeks/months/years.

I also pray for healing and recovery for Ricky.

One of the most meaningful quotes that I have heard about grieving is that healing begins when the memory of one you love brings a smile to your face before it brings a tear to your eye. I am praying for the time of smiles first, tears second.

Kellie Wilson - September 08, 2018 at 11:12 AM

RV

Linda Welker and I worked down the hall from each other and became friends through work life and our many nice conversations together. She was well liked as a nurse with a good reputation throughout the hospital. It was shocking to be alerted of her passing in September. She shall surely be missed and remembered. My sympathy to her family.

Ron Veitch RN

Ron Veitch - December 06, 2018 at 10:53 PM

SK

“ I am so very sad to lose my co-worker and friend that I have worked close with for the 8 years. There are two words that tell everything about her...”kind soul”. Linda lived working with her colleagues and taking care of patients. Our memories together will always be close to my heart.

Praying for Rick and all the family. Sending my sincere sympathy for your loss. Linda is now in heaven helping those on earth that still need her love and compassion.

Suzy Keagy - September 08, 2018 at 06:36 AM

WR

“ Sending our love and prayers to the family. Linda and I used to work together at SLV. She was a super nurse and friend. God bless the family and Rick.



WANDA RADEL - September 07, 2018 at 03:04 PM

JS

“ Joyce Snyder lit a candle in memory of Linda L. Welker



Joyce Snyder - September 07, 2018 at 12:29 PM

JS

Linda was a great person and nurse. She will me missed. Prayers for her husband Ricky.

Joyce Snyder - September 07, 2018 at 12:30 PM

BR

“ *Becky Ruckno lit a candle in memory of Linda L. Welker*



Becky Ruckno - September 07, 2018 at 11:31 AM

AB

“ *I am truly heart broken over Linda's passing. She was the epitome of patient care and one of the most compassionate people I have ever met. Her smile and laugh could light up the darkest day. I will miss our "horse chats" and working together as team for the best interest of our patients and family members. My thoughts and prayers to Ricky and the rest of her family and friends whom all loved her so dearly....I am blessed to have known you, Linda. You will be deeply missed.*

Amye Burton - September 07, 2018 at 10:51 AM

TM

“ *Tammy McAndrew lit a candle in memory of Linda L. Welker*



Tammy McAndrew - September 07, 2018 at 10:41 AM

MR

“ Mike Reeder lit a candle in memory of Linda L. Welker



Mike Reeder - September 07, 2018 at 09:57 AM

RS

“ My condolences to Rick and all of Linda’s family. It was my privilege to know Linda for several decades. It was also my pleasure to know several of her family including her mother and some of her children, so I know how much she was loved. Linda indeed was passionate about her job as a nurse, as a representative of our hospital, and most significantly for patients. When it came to patient advocacy I always knew to whom to turn. I hope for Rick’s speedy recovery.
Richard Schreiber, MD

Richard Schreiber - September 07, 2018 at 09:56 AM

DH

“ I had the privilege with working with Linda and she was a great person to work with. She will be deeply missed here at Holy Spirit. Our prayers go out to her family and to Ricky and his recovery.

There is another great angle looking down.

Darlene Heiges

Darlene Heiges - September 07, 2018 at 09:50 AM

EA

“ Linda had a gracious, wise manner of relating to co-workers and patients here at Geisinger Holy Spirit. We have been blessed to have her here impacting our lives for the better, and we are missing her!

Eddie Asbury, Librarian

Eddie Asbury - September 07, 2018 at 09:26 AM

FZ

“ I had the privilege to work along side Linda at SLV. She was very caring and passionate about her responsibilities and was a joy to work with. I am sure she will be missed by all who know her and loved her. May God grant mercy and comfort to her family and those who loved her.



Faye Zimmerman

Faye Zimmerman - September 07, 2018 at 09:15 AM

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Lori Moran - September 07, 2018 at 09:09 AM

LM

“ I am so sad about Linda's passing. My thoughts and prayers go out to all of Linda's family and friends who are mourning her loss. I knew Linda for 18 years and will miss her a lot. Linda and I were on the same team this summer when our leadership group participated in a team bonding event at Roundtop Mountain. It was really fun to spend time with her in a different environment. One of the activities that we did was standing on a log and getting ourselves arranged in smallest to tallest order without getting off the log. Because Linda was the shortest, she had to move all the way down the log past eight people at least three times because others fell off. She was a really good sport. I pray for Rick's recovery and the strength to heal, emotionally and physically.

Lori Moran - September 07, 2018 at 09:08 AM

CT

“ I've had the pleasure of speaking with Linda on numerous occasions as a colleague of her's at Geisinger Holy Spirit. She was very soft spoken and kind hearted, and truly concerned that our patients and their families came first. Unfortunately I never realized until I heard of her passing, that we lived in the same small valley. Sending prayers and condolences to her family, friends, and "the valley", as we all mourn the passing of such a wonderful soul. I will miss hearing her pleasant voice.



Carol Thomas - September 07, 2018 at 08:57 AM

LU

“ I never had the chance to meet Linda in my short time here at Holy Spirit but everyone who has talked about her does so with a smile on their face. What more can you ask than to leave a memory with your co-workers like that. My prayers are with Rick for health and strength and the entire family. God Bless.

Luanne - September 07, 2018 at 08:49 AM

LA

“ I've had the pleasure of working with Linda for many, many years at Holy Spirit. She was always pleasant & kind and would do anything she could to assist. Our thoughts and prayers are with Ricky & the family, may you find peace in the memories you've shared over the years and held close to your heart. My condolences, Lynnetta Armstrong

Lynnetta Armstrong - September 07, 2018 at 08:43 AM

JY

“ Linda was a kind and intelligent person. I had the pleasure of working with her a few times. She was a wonderful person who was full of life and will be dearly missed.

Janel Yeager - September 07, 2018 at 08:41 AM

BY

“ I never had the opportunity to meet Linda in person but I did speak to her once or twice during this year. She was very kind and compassionate and truly cared for every patient that she met working at the hospital.

Rest In Peace Linda. You truly will be missed.
Bob & Barb Yarosh

Bob & Barb Yarosh - September 06, 2018 at 07:04 PM