



## Jody Renae Linder

November 4, 1953 - May 22, 2010

Age 56 of Highland Park in Saint Paul. She was born in the southwestern Minnesota prairie town of Windom and died Saturday May 22, 2010 from colon cancer. She was the granddaughter of Danish immigrant Martha Peterson Caldwell and long time Windom businessman and WWI veteran John R Caldwell Sr.; Mabel Lundberg Linder and Oscar Linder of Bingham Lake MN. Jody moved with her family to south Minneapolis in 1963 where she attended Hale Elementary School and graduated from Washburn High School in 1972. Jody was known for her sharp wit and mastery of the English language. She was the scrabble and crossword queen of the family. She also loved animals, cooking, music, gardening and the Minnesota Twins. Jody worked at CU Companies as a title examiner. She received the 2010 Outstanding Employee Award "for promoting a team oriented, friendly, hardworking and member-first environment at CU Companies." Jody was preceded in death by her father, WWII veteran Francis Linder. In addition to her mother Helen Caldwell Linder, Jody is survived by sisters Connie Linder Gorman (Dr. Steve Gorman) and Nancy Linder Schmitt; nieces Emily, Anna and Maddie Gorman; nephew Eric J Schmitt. The last 3 months of Jody's life were spent under the loving care of her sister Connie, the Allina hospice team and other family and friends. Jody taught us much about grace, courage, and patience in her 18-month battle with colon cancer. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 AM on Friday, June 11 at HOLCOMB-HENRY-BOOM-PURCELL FUNERAL HOME, 515 Hwy 96 W, Shoreview (651-482-7606). Memorials to

Feed My Starving Children, 401-93rd Ave NW, Coon Rapids 55433 (763-504-2919).

# Tribute Wall

TB

“*Connie, I'm very sorry for the loss of your sister. I lost my brother a few years ago, so I know how hard it is. Thinking of you and your family. Terri.*

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**Terri Ashe Bunker** - August 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“*Helen and family my deepest condolence for the loss of your daughter Jody.*

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**Carolyn Buckmaster** - June 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CG

“*My sister was my best friend growing up. She and I shared many laughs and more than our share of tears. It was a blessing to me to take care of her when she was ill and now I must face an empty room in our home.*

*Lesson learned from Jody: You learn more from listening than from talking.*

*Love from sister Connie*

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**Connie Linder Gorman** - June 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ *The Linder and Caldwell Family. I was so shocked to see Jody's name in the obits on Saturday. You may not remember me but I use to be your neighbor across 13th Street on 5th Avenue)in Windom. I have a picture of Jody and I standing at Winfair Elementary on our first day of Kindergarten. My deepest sympathy goes out to all of you. She must have been a very strong individual to fight for so long. God Bless you.*

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**Diane Ramsey** - June 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ *What can I say...life is too short. I will always remember visiting Jody, Connie, Nancy and my Aunt Helen when they moved up to Minneapolis. One time we flushed a pet turtle down the toilet for a burial at sea...it was a small turtle. I know that Aunt Helen was not too happy with us:). My cousin Jody was a very kind person full of grace. Jody I know you are in Heaven and at peace. Love ya...later.*

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**Barb** - June 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM