



## Linda Kay Vogt

June 28, 2015

Vogt, Linda Kay (Age 68) After a long and courageous struggle with early onset Alzheimer's Disease, Linda has finally been set free to join her mother Fay, her father Roger and her beloved aunt Frankie who all preceded her in death. She is survived by her loving and devoted husband Peter, daughters Jaime, Stephanie and Andrea, and her granddaughter Madeline who stole her heart. She is also survived by her sister Carol Hiley, nephews Todd and Brett Hiley, Brett's wife Holly and their four children all of Seattle WA. Linda was born to be a designer. As a teenager, while baby-sitting she would rearrange furnishings and accessories. She studied at the U of M. receiving her degree in Interior Design and was proud of her Lifelong membership in the American Society of Interior Design (ASID). She was a long-time employee of Gabbert's Design Studio, involved mainly in Residential Design, but also completing Commercial projects such as the head- quarters of Minnetonka Inc. And Calvin Klein Cosmetics in NYC. She had a style and a look that was loved by her clients - something she called "Elegant Simplicity." Linda was a beautiful woman! She was a wonderful Mother, Grandmother, Wife, and Friend. Her smile, charm and laughter endeared her to everyone who met her. She was always the life of the party with her infectious laughter, heart-warming presence and amazing sense of humor. Away from her passion, designing things and making everything more beautiful, she loved spending time with her family. "Sneaking" away to shop, hunt for antiques, whether ink wells, magnifying glasses, candles made with horns, or a myriad of other treasures

that were tastefully arranged and displayed in her beautiful home on Lake Minnetonka, was another consummate passion. Linda loved to decorate her home, especially at Christmas. She would devote days trying to place everything in its right place. The same was true when hosting dinner parties - table settings had to be perfect. Hers was not an easy life medically. As a child she suffered severe arthritis that forced her to be bed-ridden for more than a year. Arthritis continued throughout her adult life, often forcing her to stop work for weeks at a time. Later she dealt with breast cancer, chemo and radiation and finally early onset Alzheimer's. She never ever lost heart and stayed "up, elegant and sophisticated," not revealing the pain she was dealing with. She would wake up each morning and say "I choose to be happy!" It's a choice we all can make. "Linda was unstoppable, not because she did not have failures or doubts, but because she continued on despite them." She will be missed by all who knew her. Rest in peace Dear Linda. You fought a valiant fight. Special thanks to her many caregivers and particularly to the long and loving care of Mrs. Gail Lewis and Mrs. Suzy Sween. We could not have traversed this difficult disease without your tender loving care. Also special thanks to the great and dedicated staff of Trails of Orono who recognized the grace, elegance, courage and unfailing thankfulness Linda displayed throughout her care till the very end. Also thanks to Dr. Ron Peterson and all the members of his team in the Alzheimer's Research Center at Mayo Clinic in Rochester MN. We appreciate all your efforts and support over the years. Some day you will halt this dreaded disease. In lieu of flowers, donations preferred to The Alzheimer's Association of MN - ND, 7900 West 78th St. #100 Minneapolis, MN 55439, Ph. 952-830-0512 or The Fisher Center for Alzheimer's Research, 34 Washington St. # 200, Wellesley, MA 02481, Ph. 781-237-3800, Attn. Laurel Lyle. A celebration of Linda's Life will be held at Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel on Thursday, July 9th, 5:00-8:00 P.M. Please come and celebrate with us and share some of your favorite stories. Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996 West 50th St. & Hwy 100



# Tribute Wall

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“ Peter and family,  
Linda was, as you said Peter, more beautiful within--such a lovely person. I worked with Linda at Gabberts and remember her so fondly. Deep condolences to all who love Linda. Paula King

Paula King - July 09, 2015 at 12:10 AM

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“ Peter, my deepest condolences to you that the long goodbye has ended. I will be out of town on the day of her service, but send you my thoughts for strength and comfort. Heather Harden

Heather Harden - July 02, 2015 at 09:51 AM

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“ Rest in Peace Linda. Love to you Peter and to your family.  
Pam Safar

Pam Safar - July 02, 2015 at 09:00 AM

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“ I will always remember my sweet and beautiful friend Linda. We met in 4th grade at Hawthorne Elementary, and spent lots of time together (with her sister, Carol, too) at their house. I remember Linda's mom (she drove us lots of places) and her dad, and mostly how happy I was that they had moved to Rochester, Minnesota. Linda was a unique, lovely, and special member of our high school class (John Marshall, Class of '64) and her presence at our reunions made it all that much more fun. Deepest sympathy to her husband, daughters, sister and nephews. She was loved, and will be missed by so many.

Kristen Miller Aliotti - June 29, 2015 at 01:50 PM