



## Linda McVicker

January 11, 2025

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Linda McVicker on January 11, 2025, at the age of 79. Born to Clarence Downing Carlisle and Frances Carlisle, Linda lived a life defined by boundless love, strength and unwavering devotion to her family and friends.

On December 31, 1962, Linda married her one and only childhood love, Thomas Lee McVicker, beginning a beautiful 62-year journey together. Their marriage was a testament to true partnership, rooted in deep love and mutual respect.

Linda was a powerhouse in every sense of the word. She was a woman of extraordinary talent and determination, capable of anything she set her mind to. Whether it was reupholstering furniture, remodeling their home with her own hands, or creating stunning works of art in pastels and oil paints, her creativity and skill knew no bounds. Her artistic spirit was matched by her love for nature, evident in the vibrant flowers she so lovingly planted and cared for in her yard.

Her selflessness was perhaps her most defining quality. Linda was the kind of person who would give the shirt off her back to someone in need, always putting others before herself. She had a heart full of kindness and a spirit that lifted those around her. Linda gave her all for the people she loved, never hesitating to offer support, encouragement, or a helping hand.

Above all else, Linda was devoted to her family. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother whose greatest joy came from the time she spent with her loved ones. She is survived by her husband of 62 years, Thomas McVicker; her daughters, Amber Edmondson and husband Brian Edmondson, and Cinnamon Carlisle. Linda also leaves behind her four grandchildren: Brittanni Phillips and her husband Jaimie Phillips, April Garrett and her husband Robert Garrett, Ryan Edwards and his partner Elizabeth King, and Alex Edmondson. Her legacy of love and strength will continue through her nine great-grandchildren: Emma Edwards, Jessie Bates, Blake Bates, Kyle Edwards, Aiden Garrett, Carter Garrett, Brianna Edwards, Ryanna Edwards, and Everleigh Edwards; and her brother Kenneth Carlisle.

Linda's presence will be deeply missed, but her legacy of love, strength, and kindness will live on in the hearts of all who knew her. She was truly an amazing woman who made the world a better place just by being in it.

A memorial service will be held at 3 pm Sunday, January 19, 2025, with Darrell Thomsen, Jr. Col-Ret officiating at Loving Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JAN 19. 3:00 PM (ET)

Loving Funeral Home Churchland Chapel  
3225 Academy Ave  
Portsmouth, VA 23703

# Tribute Wall

CF

“ Cinnamon and Family -I give you my sincere condolences for the passing of your Mom. What a great Mother and Friend to all who knew her! Keep her in your heart and you will be fine! May she rest in peace. Please take care with hugs, your friend always,...Christina "Beana" Farrell

Christina J. Farrell - January 18, 2025 at 03:49 PM



“ When I was 35 I went through major brain surgery. I didn't ask but Linda offered to take care of the kids for me and she did. She was a good friend to me and my children. I'll always remember the love she showed me and my family. Go rest Linda, you deserve it. ❤️ love you

Barbara Monty - January 17, 2025 at 05:15 PM

AE

“ 25 files added to the album Mom over the years



Amber Edmondson - January 14, 2025 at 10:18 PM

SM

“ Sherman and James McDaniel purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Linda McVicker.



Sherman and James McDaniel - January 14, 2025 at 10:15 PM

AE

“ My Mom was straight forward and didn't tolerate any sh....nanigans! She taught me self respect and how to love and be loved. She molded me into the strong, independent person I am today. She was truly extraordinary and I will miss her with every breath, and every fiber of my being for the rest of my life. All of the things in my life that I thought were hard, were nothing compared to this. I love you Momma.....

Amber Edmondson - January 14, 2025 at 07:59 PM

SM

Amber, your Mom did an amazing job, reating the fine woman you are. She also taught you what it means to live the life of a loving wife and mother. Brian and Alex both benefit every day from the lessons your Mom taught you. I am blessed to have you as my daughter-in-law.

Sherman McDaniel - January 14, 2025 at 10:07 PM

TP

Amber, your mom was my adopted special mom to me. I will always be thankful for all the life skills etc she taught and shared with me. I have a lot of great memories of fun and adventurous times. She was my favorite role- model. I was blessed to have her in my life. I know in my heart that i loved her and she loved me. God bless the mcvicker family!

Teresa Pitts - March 24, 2025 at 04:22 AM

LF

“ Linda F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda McVicker.

Linda F. - January 14, 2025 at 07:15 PM

TG

“ Linda McVicker was a mentor and confidant. She directed me on a greater path in life than I was formally on. She did not ever candy coat anything and sometimes told me things that I did not want to hear. Later in life the things that she taught me were finally revealed and she was absolutely correct. Her love of life and nature was infectious. I will miss her very much and my heart was heavy when I found out that she had passed. I love you Miss Linda and I know one day that our paths will cross again in another realm.  
Love you,  
Troy Godfrey



Troy Godfrey - January 14, 2025 at 04:43 PM

LF

*I know I will see you again aunt Linda. You taught me a lot about art and I will always be thankful for that. I love you and I will see you again. ❤️*

**Linda Fuller** - January 14, 2025 at 07:21 PM

WT

*• With a big smile and an inane sense of humor you came into my life as my Aunt Linda and I have loved and respected you. Always laughing and smiling you spread your love to more than just your ring of family. Others came to you for advice, and you were always there to listen. We will all remember the good times and not focus on the trying ones as is our nature. Let's face it-you were just incredible! And though we have lost you we have gained an even closer relationship to God who now has her in his light of love. We can grieve but must not become so wrapped in it as not to live your own lives. Let her watch over you as she has always done with such love and speak of her often. Our family will not be the same without Linda. I know we'll find comfort in each other, and we'll get through this together. Rest in peace dear Aunt Linda.*

**Winona Marie Thomas** - January 14, 2025 at 08:48 PM