



Linda Newbill Schurz-Vaught

December 25, 1960 - November 29, 2023

Linda Schurz-Vaught, 62, of Providence Forge, VA passed away November 29, 2023 at her home. In the midst of a 27-month battle with an exceptionally rare cancer, Linda departed for heaven with her family at her side. Though there is grief over her physical absence, they never lost hope and belief in a miracle, offering thanks and praise to Jesus for the eternal joy of heaven. Linda is now healthy and free, face to face with the One she wholeheartedly loved.

Linda married Ron Vaught on April 24, 2013. Linda and her husband Ron serve as senior pastors at The River Church in Toano, Virginia and The ROC in Charles City County, Virginia.

Linda is, a worshipper, a warrior, a fighter, a giver and a servant of Jesus and her work is just getting started. Linda could often be found within the cancer center praying with another patient or staff member, encouraging them in the Lord. She was affectionately known as the “Rock Star” of the cancer center due to her infectious optimism and positive attitude even when she wasn’t feeling well! There was hardly anyone else who could light up a room like Linda with her love and kindness for all.

Linda loved learning and spent much time deeply pursuing the truths of His Word. Her favorite pastimes were serving other’s needs, soaking in the

presence of God with worship music, and spending time with her grandchildren. She found her greatest joy in being a wife, a mom, and a grandma.

Linda was not only a wife to Ron Vaught, but they were also best friends and will be forever. She is Mom to Mike Schurz, Jamie Schurz (Brittany), Clark Schurz (Moriah) and Kelly Moore (Brett); stepmom to Kate Larson (Erik), Jessica Page (Stephen), Tim Vaught (Brittany), and Jacob Vaught (Lexi); Grandma to her nine grandchildren, Bella and Charlie Page, Hayden, Norah, and Calvin Schurz, Hudson Schurz, Sawyer and Avery Vaught, and Jack Larson, who were all fully loved by their Mimi. She is also missed by her loving siblings, Virginia (Bobby) Sharitz and Jimmy (Venus) Newbill; nieces and nephews; and so many more extended family members and friends from all over the world; as well as her beloved River Church family.

Linda's life will be celebrated at 1 PM on Saturday, December 9, 2023 at LifePointe Church, 8841 Richmond Road, Toano, VA. 23168.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC 9. 1:00 PM (ET)

LifePointe Christian Church
8841 Richmond Rd
Toano, VA 23168

Tribute Wall

LE

“ *Linwood & Hattie Evans lit a candle in memory of Linda Newbill Schurz-Vaught*



Linwood & Hattie Evans - December 20, 2023 at 09:39 PM

AH

“ *I affectionately addressed her as “Lovely Linda,” for her understated elegance always ministered to me. She gave the best hugs and love consistently shone out from her eyes. One day Linda presented me with a beautiful teal-colored shawl, simply because she thought of me when she saw it (I genuinely feel her embrace wearing it). Our friendship wasn’t vast; however, it did come with the fragrant quality of being with Jesus. Our truly Lovely Linda was all that til the day she was called to His Side; and His Own Eyes had to have shone looking upon her, face to face. 💖 Alas, tasting in a lesser measure of Linda’s large spirit, it is with tender sympathy that I sincerely remember her Ron and their families, experiencing such great loss.*

Ann Hedberg - December 12, 2023 at 09:33 AM



“ *Rhonda Sneed lit a candle in memory of Linda Newbill Schurz-Vaught*



Rhonda Sneed - December 09, 2023 at 04:03 PM

HW

“ Sorry to hear of the loss of your wife, mother, grandmother, sibling, cousin and friend. We are praying for the entire family. "To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord". She is free and healed in his arms.

Rev. Dr. Helen Washington-Randall and the Elam Baptist Church Family

Helen P Washington-Randall - December 09, 2023 at 11:50 AM

EC

“ Linda and I worked together at Wyeth during her pharmaceutical career. She was such a wonderful person, always kind, wearing a smile and hearing her laughter. My sincere condolences goes out to her family.

Ellen Coley - December 09, 2023 at 10:37 AM

KL

“ Kendall Black From LEBC lit a candle in memory of Linda Newbill Schurz-Vaught



Kendall Black from LEBC - December 09, 2023 at 05:26 AM

BS

“ Ron and family, I'm so sorry for your loss. Continued prayers as you go through this difficult time.



Betty Sullivan - December 07, 2023 at 10:02 PM

KI

“ Kimberly lit a candle in memory of Linda Newbill Schurz-Vaught



Kimberly - December 07, 2023 at 07:26 AM

LA

“ There were so many wonderful memories in the short blip of time that Linda and I shared knowing each other. From church, to our Women Warrior Workouts, decorating the church for holidays and a kayaking on the reservoir. You were witty, kind, and beautiful. I had hoped to see you again this Christmas when we come up. You were a warrior until the end of your battle, but my heart is still broken. Love you more, my friend! Sending love and prayers to cover over Ron and family. Love to you all, Lon, Katie, Zoë, Jeyce Adkins



Lon & Katie Adkins - December 04, 2023 at 08:51 AM

JW

“ Jacqueline Wright lit a candle in memory of Linda Newbill Schurz-Vaught



Jacqueline Wright - December 02, 2023 at 10:08 PM

JB

I meet Linda at the river church she was a sweet and loving lady. A true woman of God.

Josephine Binns - December 03, 2023 at 06:30 AM

MH

The prayers and thoughts of the Hathaway family are with the family of Linda Newbill Schurz-Vaught. As you celebrate Linda's life with you, our prayer is that are comforted knowing that she is with Our Lord.

Milton Hathaway - December 06, 2023 at 03:25 PM

JB

“ *To the family my thoughts and prayers are with you Peace*

James Macon Bey - December 02, 2023 at 11:41 AM

TT

“ *I remember meeting Linda through a ministry opportunity and I stayed in her home. Though my time spent with her was short, I am deeply grateful for her love and kindness. She was a wonderful woman and loved God, her husband and those around her.*

Tiphani Taylor - December 02, 2023 at 08:15 AM

MP

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Marie Proffitt - December 01, 2023 at 07:16 PM

MP

“ I met Ron and Linda about 7 years ago. My parents had been looking for a home and wouldn't you know it they had one! It never ceases to amaze me at the timing and place God brings us to. My parents had been searching for almost a year for a place to worship and to live. God knew the need and he provided. From Bible studies at church to helping me with my son Ike when my dad was so sick, Ron and Linda were always there. Linda has always been such a great prayer warrior, kind with a gentle soul. She brought peace in a room and could lighten any situation. She was an angel here and is rejoicing in heaven now! The enemy would have us believe that death won, but it hasn't. Linda may not be here but she is rejoicing, pain free and abiding with the Holy Spirit.

Marie Proffitt - December 01, 2023 at 07:15 PM

NA

“ I met Linda and Pastor Ron at our gym - we all had the same personal trainer(Fit Phill) Ron would would be praying as he did push ups and other exercises and joking around as he tried to keep up with Linda....They made me laugh. They had so much fun together in that gym and to me I saw that “they were the real deal”- I loved that....so I visited their church and they were the same in church and outside of church accepting and loving to all. I often saw Linda on my walks and she was always so very nice to me- her presence was one of love, strength, faith and encouragement and every time I see her (and Pastor)or past by The River Church or their home I pray for her and Pastor(Now she is completely healed). The Lord says His plans are good for us and therefore I believe Linda is well- however, I know she will be extremely missed. Sending my deepest love, prayers and hugs to the entire family.

Sincerely Nilda Asmus

Nilda Asmus - December 01, 2023 at 06:23 PM

JB

“ Linda and Ron came into my life only recently, but Linda's grace and charm made an indelible impression on me. She displayed remarkable grace and courage by assisting Ron in his successful campaign for New Kent School Board, all the while battling a terminal illness. Selfless to the end. What a remarkable woman.

JB Benson - December 01, 2023 at 05:43 PM

PT

“ P. Simone Thornton lit a candle in memory of Linda Newbill Schurz-Vaught



P. Simone Thornton - December 01, 2023 at 04:51 PM

MG

“ Linda was so bright and cheerful each time I saw her, it doesn't surprise me that she was such an encourager and a kind friend to the patients in her cancer clinic. I will miss her beautiful smile as she walked her dog through the neighborhood. She would always say kind words to our family, and stop to say Hello, she supported us with dinner and a gift when our little Anna was born. In our short conversations I could see how strong she was in her faith in Christ, as she voiced about the goodness of the Lord despite her trials. I know she is at peace in the Lord and sharing in His great glory with all the saints. God Bless your family ❤️

Michele Gordon - December 01, 2023 at 02:53 PM

CA

“Blessed to have known a bright, kind, wonderful lady. Our holiday together made treasured memories. Fly high , darling, free of pain
xx

caroline - December 01, 2023 at 02:12 PM

TL

I'm brand new at River Church and had just the briefest chance to know Linda. It was only weeks ago when I was standing at the back of the church talking to Ron after working with the worship team that Sunday, when Linda came walking down the aisle towards us. With her radiant smile she said "I just have to hug you!" And in those few seconds and without any words she told me so much that she wanted me to know. And now I find myself missing someone that I never had the chance to know, but then again I did and I'm very grateful. Linda is a giver of great gifts of the heart.

*Shine on sister. We will join you before too long.
Until Again*

Tim Lucas - December 01, 2023 at 08:38 PM

JW

Pastor RON, Just wanted you to know that We love you and Linda will be missed. Linda had a Smile to melt your heart. Jacqueline Wright and Ruben Flores (my Son)

Jacqueline Wright - December 02, 2023 at 10:01 PM

AM

Linda was one of the most warm and welcoming people I have ever known and I was blessed to call her a friend. She was a warrior and always had such a positive attitude. The world is a lesser place without her. Rest in peace my friend.

Anne Moranville

Anne Moranville - December 02, 2023 at 10:20 PM

EG

*Ron & Family, so sorry to hear of the passing of your wife Linda.
Sympathy and Prayers are with you.*

Evelyn Graham - December 08, 2023 at 12:54 PM