



# Linda Corrine Etzel

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"LINDA CORRINE ETZEL- TEACHER-COACH-FRIEND" peacefully passed away on March 11, 2011 after a long courageous fight with cancer.

Memorial services for Linda Etzel, 55, of Longview will be held at the Rader Funeral Home Chapel Tuesday, March 15, 2011 at 2 p.m. with reverend Jonathan Jehorek officiating. Miss Etzel passed away Friday, March 11, 2011 in Longview.

Linda was born in Silver Creek, New York and grew up on the shores of Lake Erie in Dunkirk, NY. She graduated from Dunkirk High School in 1973 and decided to become an educator based on her admiration of her high school teachers. She graduated in 1978 from Eastern Kentucky University and moved to Longview, Texas. There she immediately began her 33 year teaching career entirely with L.I.S.D. She furthered her education by obtaining an Elementary Physical Education Certification and a Masters Degree in Education with Mid Management Certification from Stephen F. Austin University.

Joy came to Linda through her devotion to her students and the entire staff at Longview High. Linda firmly believed she was blessed in her life and continually would "Pay it forward". Linda guided her students on every aspect of their lives to "Do Their Best" and "Make the Right Choices No Matter what the Cost". She inspired her students to succeed as she taught Health, Physical Education and coached volleyball, basketball, cross country, track, swimming and golf. She especially enjoyed teaching the PALS program. She was an avid supporter of ALL THINGS LOBOS!

Linda was pre-deceased by her grandparents; Perce and Cora Morrison, and Virginia Hahn and Lawrence Etzel, Sr. She is survived by her parents Lawrence and Shirley Etzel of Shippenville, PA; brother and sister-in-law Allen and Carol Etzel of Dunkirk, NY; sisters Julie Etzel, Valerie Etzel and Gus of Alameda, CA; Laurie Etzel Woloszyn of Longview; nieces Allison Hamlett, Amy Bennett and Amanda Etzel; nephews Stephen and Peter Woloszyn; her special little pets Maxx and Sugar; Numerous other relatives and her loving friends.



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Linda was a loving daughter, sister, and auntie who loved her family, friends and students, as we so dearly love her. She enjoyed gardening, music, dancing & traveling. She will live on in our hearts for her contagious laugh and positive outlook on life. Watch over us our Angel!!

The family wishes to thank all of Linda's caregivers, especially Dr. Frase & staff, hospice doctors Schottstaedt & Holder, Tonya & her Margaret's House nurses. You will always hold a special place in her heart.

The family request that in Lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Beacon Hospice at Margaret's House, 5016 Gilmer Road, Longview, Texas 75604.



## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** posted:

Laurie, I am so sorry we couldn't be with you last week. Linda was a "rock" for me when she was at LHS. I always knew where to find her and that I could count on her to point me in the right direction when I got lost! I'll treasure always the news article she so lovingly preserved for me just a few weeks ago. My love to you and your family. May perpetual Light shine upon her.##imported-begin##Ana Walker##imported-end##

March 22 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

After years of knowing Linda as a friend and coworker, as a teacher who taught my kids...Godspeed Lady, until we meet again. You will be missed. My love to your family.##imported-begin##Fran Wharton##imported-end##

March 20 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

My heart goes out to the Etzel family. Linda was great to work with and just a good person. She will be missed her but I know she's with God and Laura Reed. She's in good company. I will keep you lifted up before the Lord in prayer because this side of the journey is difficult to carry on without .her##imported-begin##Cynthia A. Smith##imported-end##

March 20 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

My sincerest prayers are extended to the family. Linda was a very special teacher and friend to all. She will be sorely missed by the Longview ISD family.##imported-begin##Andrea H. Mayo##imported-end##

March 20 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Laurie, so sorry for the lose of your sister, wish we could be there today, but can't. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you.##imported-begin##Bill & Margie Hopper##imported-end##

March 14 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Laurie, I am so sorry for the loss of your sister. I so admired your strength and determination in the care you gave your sister. You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers. Margaret Younger##imported-begin##Margaret Younger##imported-end##

March 14 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Laurie, It saddens me to hear of the loss that you are experiencing. Your devotion, care and love for your sister you expressed everyday. She was an angel on this earth but now she is shining bright in glory. My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. May God Bless you.##imported-begin##Barbara Duncan##imported-end##

March 14 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Ms Etzel was one of the PE teachers during my high school years. I am so very sorry for your loss. The family of Ms Etzel is in my prayers##imported-begin##Virginia Marshburn Hunt##imported-end##

March 13 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

My thoughts and prayers to the Etzel family for the loss of one so dear. Cherish the memories, they last forever.##imported-begin##Patricia Gile##imported-end##

March 13 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

I am a former member of the Lobo track team coached by Coach Etzel. I am so sorry to hear of her passing. God bless all of her family in this time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Christi Johnson-Winters##imported-end##

March 13 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Laurie- Please know that I have had you and your family in my thoughts during Linda's illness. She was so much fun to be with.##imported-begin##Wade Elkins##imported-end##

March 13 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

I am sending all of you my sincerest sympathies for the loss of your loved one. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Lucy Grezdo##imported-end##

March 13 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

My deepest sympathy's to all the family, friends, and loved ones.... Linda was my PE teacher in the early 80's.... She was great and I liked her very much!!! My prayers to you all as I know this is a hard time for all of you. God Bless and keep you all...##imported-begin##Debbie Angle Henson##imported-end##

March 13 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

I have so many fun memories of my friend, Linda. She was a vital part of our LHS "lunch bunch", and the trips to out-of-town footballs games were filled with adventure because she was with us. After her first round of treatments she came to Brownwood to see me, and we did the Relay for Life here together. During that visit we spent hours solving the problems of the world and listening to birds from her new bird book. I loved her and will be forever grateful that she came into my life. I take great comfort in knowing that I will see her again someday, because I know from many of our conversations that we served the same Savior. Rest in peace, my sweet, precious friend~##imported-begin##Janis Wilson Holland##imported-end##

March 13 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Coach Etzel was a very sweet person and my coach. She will be greatly missed. God bless you and my sincere sympathy to the family. "Look to the hills which cometh your help, your help cometh from the LORD"##imported-begin##yolanda curry orange##imported-end##

March 13 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

My deepest condolences to Linda's family and friends. I have some great memories of Linda. We first became friends in junior high school shortly after your family moved to Dunkirk. I remember Linda singing to Julie when she was just a tiny baby. If my memory serves me right, one of songs Linda used to sing to her was In the Shadow of Your Smile. I also remember a Halloween party at your house. It was in the basement and Linda came up with these plastic bags filled with gooey stuff we had to stick our hands into. Linda always brightened up the room with her smile and laughter during our high school days. And it comes as no surprise that she had such a positive influence on her students and fellow teachers. I will keep you in my prayers.##imported-begin##Terri Watson Mercer##imported-end##

March 13 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

I've known Linda for around 7 years. I loved her soft spoken voice and wit. We had many great times at Lake Cherokee, crayfish boils and birthday parties over the year. I'll miss you Linda.....##imported-begin##Jennifer Kranzman##imported-end##

March 13 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Linda, You were an awesome friend. I am going to miss you so much. When I look at you, you would make me laugh. We had so many happy, wonderful memories together. Working across the hall from each other, working the athletic ticket booths, giving the ACT, SAT tests on Saturdays, eating with the "Lunch Bunch", going out after school on Fridays to meet our co-workers. You are one of the dearest friends I could ever have. Be my angel. Until we meet again. I love you.##imported-begin##Kim Koonce Baggett##imported-end##

March 13 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

I remember Ms. Etzel as a teacher who really cared about her students. I was fortunate enough to have her at LHS in my 9th grade year and she kept track of me throughout my high school years and beyond. She would ask how I was doing when we would run into each other around town, and it always felt like she really wanted to know; a quality that I find to be unique. I know that everyone in my PALS class appreciated the level of kindness and respect that she showed us everyday. She was such a great educator and will truly be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with her family, friends and students. Class of 2003.##imported-begin##Jonathan Killingsworth##imported-end##

March 13 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

It was a pleasure to work with and know Linda all these years in longview. She was a great teacher and good friend. Linda could make you laugh and was always so helpful. My prayers are with your family at this time of loss. I know that Linda is resting in peace.##imported-begin##Sandra Edney##imported-end##

March 13 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Very sad to hear of Linda's passing. Those of us from the class of 1973 remember the years of laughter and craziness that Linda supplied. Rest in peace.##imported-begin##Alan J. Dolce##imported-end##

March 12 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

My condolences to Linda's family, friends and students. She was a wonderful person....always so full of life and laughter. It's been many years but the impression she made was lasting. I am so sorry for this loss...##imported-begin##Mary Scaglione##imported-end##

March 12 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Laurie, so sad to hear of Linda's passing. You were a great sister to her and I am sure she was very grateful to have you. Take Care..Love you Patti Eason###imported-begin##Patti Eason##imported-end##

March 12 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

I am so sorry to hear of Linda's passing. Linda fought a couragous battle with cancer. I know how difficult the last few years have been. I had the honor of working with her at LHS and I know she will be missed by so many people.###imported-begin##Mary Shivers##imported-end##

March 12 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Had the privilege of teaching at Longview High School with Linda. Will always remember Linda's sweet smile and friendliness. So sorry for your great loss.###imported-begin##Jeanne Thompson##imported-end##

March 12 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

My condolences go out to Coach Etzel's family. She was my track coach when I was in high school, she then later taught my son in Health. She will be missed.###imported-begin##Shana Carr-Mathis##imported-end##

March 12 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Laurie,I am so sorry to hear of Linda's passing. I know how difficult the last few years have been. Linda was so courageous and she could not have asked for a more devoted and caring sister than she had in you.###imported-begin##Cindy Romines##imported-end##

March 11 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

I enjoyed teaching with Linda at LHS. I admire her courageous battle with cancer. Her family is in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Karen Ward##imported-end##

March 11 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Laurie, I am so sorry to hear of Linda's passing. Gosh, I just don't know what to say. She always brightened my day when I would see her. I send my love and prayers to you and your family.##imported-begin##Rickye Aldaco##imported-end##

March 11 at 7:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Linda by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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