

Meet Linda, January Woman of the Month



My Sister, My Hero

In July 2005, Linda's sister, Sandra, was diagnosed with colon cancer. Here is what Sandra had to say about Linda:

I had to have surgery and in September started 6 months of intense chemotherapy treatments. From the day I was diagnosed my sister was there for me and my husband giving more support than I could ever hope for. She lives about 1/2 hour from me in the summer but in November she and her husband are in Florida for 6 months. Sometimes, because of worry, my husband was in worse shape than I and Linda was always there for us. There was not one day that went by that she didn't call me to see how I was and give me words of encouragement. While she was in town she cooked and supplied us with food for every meal. I never had to worry about not having enough food in the house. When she came to visit, she did whatever she could to help keep the house neat. She did all this while still taking care of her own family.

The day before each of my chemotherapy treatments I received a card in the mail from her with words of encouragement to keep going and keep my spirits up. Even when she went down to Florida, she was able to time the cards so that I would receive them the day before treatment. While in Florida, she and her husband went on a well deserved cruise but she continued to call every day even from the ship. When I wanted to give up and stop going for treatment because I felt I couldn't do it anymore, she teamed up with my husband to be sure that I would not give up.

Today I am cancer free, and my sister is still my #1 supporter. The only negative is that I now have to cook again!

Sunflower Hill salutes a loyal and loving sister!