



## Linda Rush Connor

September 25, 2022

Linda Irene Rush Connor would have been 71 yesterday, February 25th, of Fort Collins, CO, passed away September 25, 2022. Linda was born February 25, 1952, in Warren, OH, to Raymond and Bernice (Orwig) Rush. Linda met and then married James Connor in Greeley, CO. They were together for over 40 years before his passing in May 2022.

Linda was a paraprofessional as well as a volunteer in Poudre School District in the Fort Collins area for many years. However, Linda's greatest passion was being a mother and grandmother to her son, Matt Connor, grandson, Breck Connor, of Tulsa, OK, daughter, Casey Rae Connor, and granddaughter Lily Connor, of Fort Collins, CO. She is also survived by her sisters, Judy Holmes and Cindy Preston. Linda was a loving mother, sister, and grandmother, as well as an avid Colorado sports fan, reader, and wonderful friend, she is and will always be missed.

Linda was preceded in death by her husband, James Connor, and her older brother Raymond Rush.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Casey Rae, Matt and family of Linda Connor,  
*I am so saddened to hear of Linda's passing. She was my neighbor for a number of years, a co-worker in the Poudre School District and a personal friend. I remember Linda as being fun, a fireball of energy, smart, compassionate and just a great all-around human being.*

*When I broke my leg after falling down my stairs in my home, Linda was the one who took me to the ER and stayed with me much of the day. Afterwards, she volunteered to get me to PT every day during my recovery. That's just the kind of person she was.*

*As a co-worker, she brought a lot of joy to the job and was a very active team member on the Early Childhood Team. It wasn't unusual for her to bring in "findings" for the team and kids. It seems like we had chocolate-dipped strawberries on many occasions along with other goodies she would bring in from her kitchen. She was so good with the kids and their families. She brought positivity to each and every soul she touched.*

*She did have some health issues, but never really burdened anyone around her about them. Now she is free of them. R.I.P., Linda, your memory will live on and Heaven has gained an Angel.*

*Tanya Paleski*

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**Tanya Paleski** - February 26, 2023 at 12:13 PM

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*Thank you so much for sharing your memories of mom !! It truly means more than you know !! Much love Casey Rae*

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**Casey R Connor** - March 06, 2023 at 08:49 AM

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“Happy birthday in heaven my dear friend! She used to tell me no matter how old she gets, I'll always be older!

*Linda moved to Colorado in '75 with her boyfriend and I moved out in '76 after my boyfriend and I broke up. They broke up and we became two wild and crazy chicks living in the rockies! We were going to write a book called "Rookies to the Rockies", about all of our shenanigans and misadventures!*

*We were poor... we lived in a basement house! My bed sat on 4 coffee cans!! Someone from her work gave her a turkey for Thanksgiving which we put in the oven and went for a drive up Poudre Canyon. When we came back a couple of hours later, the turkey was burnt to a crisp so we had chicken and rice soup on bread!*

*She had some health issues in 2005 and I went to Ft Collins to see her. She repaid the kindness and came and stayed with me a week while I was going through my cancer treatments.*

*She and I had been friends since high school when we discovered our mutual love for animals. While on a cheerleader trip to Savannah, a dog had been hit and was lying in the road. We were in a car with at least 6 other cheerleaders. The other girls were laughing and cutting up as if nothing happened. I turned around with tears in my eyes and saw Linda crying too. Instant friendship from that day forward.....*

*She was always someone I could call when I needed to talk and vice versa. The last couple of years had been challenging for both of us. She was always supportive and always lifted me up. Never once put me down or attacked me. Jealousy was not in her vocabulary, nor mine. I miss her so much. So many times I've needed to talk to her since September, But then it hits me, she's not here.*

*This picture is of us going to see Chelsea Handler in Denver. The other picture here is of her husband, Jim, who sadly passed away in May of this last year. He was a good friend as well and was also one of our coaches for our softball team we played on in Greeley. They were the perfect match, avid Bronco fans with season tickets! She was lost without Jim. But strong. She had fought leukemia for the last year and was in remission as of this past summer. Her passing was from natural causes related to heart disease and diabetes.*

*Her greatest joy in life were her two children and two grandchildren. I was there when both her babies were born and she came over when my children were born.*

*I miss her so much. Save me a space Linda, so we can give 'em hell in heaven.*

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**TINA HARBIN** - February 25, 2023 at 11:38 AM

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*Such a beautiful tribute to mom !! Thank you Tina 💕*

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**Casey R Connor** - March 06, 2023 at 08:52 AM