



Linda L. Kulwicki

December 22, 1938 - December 30, 2014

Linda Louise Kulwicki, 76, of Toledo, passed away Tuesday, December 30, 2014. She was born December 22, 1938, in Toledo to Joseph and Dorothy Hoyt. As a young adult Linda worked for her father, owner of the former Blueline Appliance. Music was an integral part of her life and she began a career in musical theater in Toledo and the surrounding areas, in the 1960's. She was a member of the musical group, "Roadshow Entertainers" and performed at such local hotspots as Aku-Aku, Neko's Speakeasy and Top of the Tower. As a prominent entertainer, Linda was featured in numerous Toledo Blade articles and was heralded as an "up and coming actress" and "the next Carol Burnett". Linda was thought by many to be headed to national TV exposure but decided to devote her life to her family and a teaching career.

Linda's career in education, as a 1st grade teacher, spanned for 40 years, mainly at Christ the King School, where she retired, but also taught at St. Ann's School and St. Hedwig's School. Linda was a very sought after teacher, innovative and dedicated, always teaching at parochial schools. Linda would integrate her love for music and celebrate with her students when they learned how to read. She was a teacher by day and an entertainer by night.

Linda was a member of Christ the King Church. She had a passion for dogs, especially "Harold" and "Woody".

Survivors include her daughter, Tracy Montri; son, John J. Kulwicki; step sons, Raymond J. Kulwicki Jr, and Matthew J. Kulwicki. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Raymond J Kulwicki Sr. and stepson, Gary J. Kulwicki.

Friends are invited to visit from 2-8 p.m. on Monday, in the Ansberg-West Funeral Home, 3000 Sylvania Avenue, (between Secor and Douglas Roads). Prayers will begin at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, from the funeral home, followed by the funeral mass at 10 a.m., in Christ the King Church, 4100 Harvest Lane. Interment will follow in Calvary Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Christ the King Church.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.ansberg-west.com

Tribute Wall

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“ many, many years ago, one Sunday evening, Linda and I sat down together, with my friend Jerry Albright, in the absolutely empty tavern, Niko’s Speakeasy ... that evening, among other things in our friendly conversation, Linda talked beautifully, deeply, about how many musicians, singers, and other performers had no place to perform regularly in front of an audience ... Linda expressed her sadness so wonderfully that I called Niko, the tavern owner, over to our table and, because of an immediate idea that I had as Linda explained her shared sadness about Toledo’s lack of opportunity for musicians, singers, and other performers, so asked Niko if, beginning the next weekend in his tavern, we could offer 30 minute performances for anyone who wanted to perform and that, then, we’d decide what to do next in Toledo ... Niko shrugged and said “yes,” that people could perform in his tavern ...

the next Friday and Saturday night we had so many performers sign up to perform at Niko’s the 30 minute “tryouts” went on all night until dawn the next morning, and the same thing happened several of the following weekends ... then we scheduled folks to perform as they chose, for how long they wanted to perform, each Friday and Saturday evening forever before packed houses in Niko’s speakeasy ...

all of this happened every weekend, before packed houses, for several months until the performers, for whatever reason began to stop performing and we ended with a small group, 8 or 9 or 10 regular performers that soon became the roadshow entertainers ...

Linda and all roadshow folks, I miss you, and I still love you, and I was blessed by Linda Hoyt to become the organizer and the emcee for those wonderful Friday and Saturday evening musical experiences that eventually became “The Roadshow Entertainers” ... I love you all ...

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... i'm moving to affinity after my wonderful 38 years on beautiful lummi island, just a short ferry ride and short drive to Bellingham ...

don vonvolkenburg - February 09, 2019 at 09:44 PM

JM

“ *J.J. and Tracy so very sorry to hear of your mothers passing. J J please call me when you get the chance love to see how your doing.419-320-6218*

john p martin - January 05, 2015 at 08:30 PM

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“ *My prayers go out to the family and friends of linda i thank god and her family for allowing parkcliffe to care for such a lpving and caring women that linda was may you find peace in your hearts that you have a angel with you for the rest of ypur lifes*

moniqua hudson - January 03, 2015 at 02:02 PM