



## Linda May Panas

September 6, 1959 - December 19, 2025

Linda May Panas, 66, passed away peacefully on December 19, 2025, at the Sturgeon Community Hospital in Saint Albert, surrounded by her loving family. Born on September 6, 1959, in Edmonton, Linda's huge heart and nurturing spirit extended to both her family, friends, and her furry companions.

Linda is survived by her son Richard (Tiffany), of Edmonton; brother Kim (Marilyn), of Calgary; brother Wayne (Sherry), of Kelowna; brother Doug, of Kelowna; and two grandchildren Cohen and Emmie. She is predeceased by both of her parents, Edward and Patricia.

Linda's life was always filled with the pitter-patter of paws and lots of laughter. She chose a life with dogs as her primary companions, and they were truly her family. She rescued countless animals over her lifetime, favouring those who were older or handicapped, giving them their best life for their remaining years. She built her home around her canine friends, and they filled her life with purpose and affection.

For 25 years, Linda devoted her professional life to the Winford Stewart Association, an organization committed to supporting adults with mental disabilities so they could live with dignity, purpose, and fulfillment. Her work was never just a job, but it was a reflection of who she was. Linda brought compassion, patience, and genuine kindness to every person she served,

always seeing the individual before the challenge. Through her dedication and genuine care for others, she made a lasting difference in many lives and leaves behind a legacy of empathy, service, and love.

Linda was a very strong-willed woman and extremely independent. Even through her terminal lung cancer diagnosis in 2016, she never stopped fighting. Along her cancer journey, she taught those around her what it looked like to live bravely and always with joy and a smile. She was known for her trademark humour and wit, even until the end. Linda was an exemplary mother figure and caring human being. She embodied the best of qualities: unconditional love, strength of spirit, and an unending generosity for her family and friends.

Linda was immensely proud of her family, and leaves behind nothing but beautiful memories. She was grateful to spend the last few years living with her son's family and being an active part of their lives. It brings comfort knowing she had the chance to see, do, and experience so many of her dreams, right up to her recent trip to Mexico this past November with her family. As her health declined, nothing gave her more joy than hearing stories from her beloved grandchildren. Her family is so grateful for all the beautiful memories.

A small, intimate gathering to celebrate Linda's life will be held in the Spring, as we will honour her legacy with a tree that gives back to nature. Friends and family will be encouraged to bring their pets, as Linda would have wanted all her furry friends to be included. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests making a donation to your local animal shelter.

May her memory be a blessing, and may we continue to feel her love in the spaces she leaves behind.



# Tribute Wall

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“ *What a beautiful obituary. Linda was my supervisor at WSA for several years and everyone loved her. No matter how busy she was there was always time to relax and talk. A one in a million person.* ”

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**barbara bakke** - December 24, 2025 at 12:13 PM



“ *We invite you to share a story, photo, or memory of Linda. We posted many photos from the last few years, but we welcome your thoughts and memories of her throughout her life. Thank you.* ”

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**Tiffany Panas** - December 23, 2025 at 05:35 PM

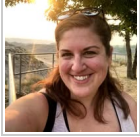


“ *This photo is so special. Taken November 2025 with her grandchildren, Cohen and Emmie, while in Cancun, Mexico.* ”



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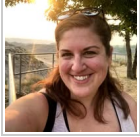


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