



Linda Jean Foshay

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Linda Jean Napoleon Foshay, Portland, Maine – Lady Lake, Florida

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the peaceful passing of Linda Jean Napoleon Foshay, 76, a beloved wife, mother, sister, grandmother, aunt, and friend. Linda left behind a legacy of love, laughter, and generosity that will never be forgotten.

Born in Portland, Maine, Linda grew up “on the Hill” and attended North School before graduating with the Portland High School Class of 1967. She went on to pursue a rewarding career as a hairstylist, where her clients quickly became lifelong friends and extended family.

Affectionately known as “Mum” to her children and “Mimi” to her grandchildren, Linda found her greatest joy in her family. When asked in an interview for a local Water Oak newspaper about her proudest achievement, she replied simply and without hesitation: “My children.”

She is survived by the love of her life, her devoted husband of over 56 years, Charles “Chuck” E. Foshay. Their bond was unshakable—a true testament to lasting love. Linda is also survived by: Her sister and best friend, Betty McDonald Her brother, Louis Napoleon Her children: Carrie Lorrain, Jason Foshay, Marc Foshay, and Bryon Foshay Her cherished grandchildren: Amber Truan, Christian, Kimberly, Jessa, Emma, and Lyla Foshay She held deep love for her nephews—Christopher, Jonathan, Michael, Matt, Sheldon, Shawn, and Steven—whom she treated as her own.

Linda was predeceased by her mother, Dorothy Butler; father, Jules Napoleon; stepfather, Richard Butler; and sister, Nancy Hogland.

After retiring, Linda and Chuck relocated to Lady Lake, Florida, where she quickly found a second family in a wonderful group of friends affectionately known as “the Girls” or the Maineiacs. Linda was the heart of this circle—always the first to cheer you on, and just as quick to share in your sorrow. Her loyalty, warmth, and compassion were limitless. Some of Linda’s fondest memories were made on Florida Avenue in Portland, where she raised her children in a close-knit neighborhood filled with love, laughter, and open doors. It was there she found her village and built a life full of joy.

Linda delighted in life’s simple pleasures—bingo nights, pull tabs, slots, and scratch tickets—always dreaming of that big win. But those who knew her know the real jackpot was having her in their lives.

A creative spirit, Linda was also a talented artist who often gifted her artwork and handmade crafts to family and friends. Her love was expressed through every brushstroke, kind word, and selfless gesture. She was a woman of profound kindness, unwavering acceptance, and open-hearted generosity.

Her children extend heartfelt gratitude and a warm embrace to her dear friends, who cared for her with so much love in her later years. Though Linda may no longer be with us, her spirit remains in every act of love and kindness we share. In her memory, we ask just a few things: Love a little longer. Fight a little less. Help the less fortunate. Celebrate the little things.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, a cause dear to Linda’s heart.