

Baylor Scott & White Transplant Patient Stories

Linda Kidney's Story

Hi, my name is Linda, and I'm waiting for a Kidney transplant at Baylor University Medical Center. If you qualify for living organ donation, your generous gift could save my life. Please read my story below.

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My Story

I'm Linda and I'm the mother of three great kids, and 2 beautiful grandchildren. I have a supportive and hardworking husband. I like college sports, good books, and adventure. My kidneys haven't been working quite right for a couple of years now and last year, I had to start dialysis. Dialysis is very hard for me. I have to go to dialysis 3 times a week and each time I am there almost 4 hours. Dialysis leaves me feeling very tired most days. Since starting dialysis, I have not been able to work. This has been hard for our family because now we only have one income. I also miss being around my coworkers. Recently my doctor recommended I get a kidney transplant because this is my best option for a long and healthy life. I am grateful that I was placed on the kidney transplant waiting list in March of this year, but unfortunately the wait time for a kidney transplant is almost 4 years. It is hard for me to ask, but I am hopeful some will consider being a living kidney donor for me. This will help me to get a kidney transplant much sooner.

How a Transplant Will Help Me

If I can receive a living donor kidney transplant, I feel like I can go back to living again. I will not have to go to dialysis. I will feel good and have the energy to do activities with my family. We love camping as a family, and I really look forward to doing that again. The one thing I really look forward to is living longer and watching my grandchildren grow up. The gift of a kidney would change my life dramatically.

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Interested in Becoming a Living Donor?

If you are interested in being a kidney donor, start the evaluation process with Baylor Scott & White by completing a confidential online health history questionnaire. A living donor coordinator on the transplant team will review your information to determine if you are a potential candidate for kidney donation and contact you with next steps.

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