

# Baylor Scott & White Transplant Patient Stories

## Linda Liver's Story

Hi, my name is Linda, and I'm waiting for a Liver 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 have three great kids and a terrific husband. We love to camp together and cheer for our favorite sports teams. But I'm not sure how much longer I'll be able to do these things because I have a problem with my liver. I've been sick a lot recently and sometimes I get real confused because of my sick liver. I've missed a lot of work because I'm so worn out.

The doctors say I'm going to eventually need a liver transplant. Probably sooner than later. We've learned that I can't live without a liver that works right. Doctors can't fix mine. Without a transplant I'll just get sicker. This scary situation has been really hard on me and the family. My health has really gone downhill fast. I have gone through all the steps to get on a liver transplant list, but the list is very long.

I'm sending out this message in hopes that someone will consider being a living liver donor. This would be a very big deal and would mean so much to me and my family. Healthy people can donate about  $\frac{1}{2}$  their liver to someone like me. You might have heard that the liver grows back - and the doctors tell me that's exactly what happens after someone donates a piece of their liver. I know this is a big request, but a living donor will help me get my transplant sooner.

## How a Transplant Will Help Me

Because my liver is continuing to get worse, my doctors say a transplant is my best choice and after my transplant I should feel much better and get back to doing all the things I used to do. I mostly just want to be around long enough to see my kids grow up.

Thank you so much for reading this and considering becoming a living donor.

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## Interested in Becoming a Living Donor?

If you are interested in being a liver 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 liver donation and contact you with next steps.

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