Highland Hospital’s mission, “Commitment to excellence in health care, with patients and their families at the heart of all that we do,” is embedded in our roots.

Since opening our doors in 1889, Highland Hospital has been renowned for our culture of being a community hospital that provides compassionate patient care. Today, Highland remains true to these values. Our health care providers strive to go above and beyond what it takes to heal and care for patients.

We are also committed to providing an environment to restore people’s health and quality of life. Linda’s Garden, made possible by the generosity of Linda Maxion, is an example of this pledge to our patients. After an extended stay at Highland, with few places to visit for a “change of scenery,” Linda visualized the idea of creating a “healing garden” to give patients an opportunity to exercise, and find stress relief and social support, all of which can aid the immune system to stimulate the healing process.

With plenty of natural light, Linda’s Garden will be an inviting and energizing space which will become a symbol of Linda’s compassionate spirit, and of Highland’s mission. We hope you will help us create a special place within Highland for patients, families, and visitors.

Linda was dedicated to helping the community, volunteering with the Canandaigua Salvation Army, the Granger Homestead, Thompson Hospital Blood Lab, and the Canandaigua Business Improvement District—including the Maxion Stage at Commons Park. The most recent endeavor close to her heart was a vision of “Linda’s Garden” at Highland Hospital which she generously established before losing her courageous battle with cancer in April 2013.

Linda’s Healing Garden at Highland Hospital
Your gift helps us provide compassionate care

The concept of Linda’s Garden is rooted in our commitment to support the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of patients and loved ones in a compassionate environment. It was Linda’s wish that when visitors leave the garden, they will feel strengthened and renewed.

In order to further Highland’s mission and Linda’s vision, we need additional support from friends like you. It is our goal that, with your help, we can continue to create a place of beauty, quiet, and natural light that is designed to benefit the mind, body, and soul. We invite you to contact Brad Pearson, Director of Advancement for Highland Hospital, to learn how you can honor a loved one, celebrate your recovery, or convey a message of hope and inspiration through your gift.

We believe a hospital is one of the most important institutions in a community. Our success depends on those who share our vision for an outstanding health care environment focused on compassionate care. Please join us in making Linda’s Garden a symbol of our values, and a therapeutic place of inspiration and hope for our patients.

“I go to nature to be soothed and healed, and to have my senses put in tune once more.”
—John Burroughs
American naturist and writer

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