

Linda Thomas lost her wonderful husband Dave to malignant Mesothelioma last July. Devastating as it is Linda has held her head high and has been supporting Mesothelioma UK Charitable Trust and others who have been affected by this disease.

On national asbestos awareness week Linda kindly set up a banner outside her house to ensure the public were aware that Action Mesothelioma Day fell on the 1st July. During the week Linda met Dave Cracknell and Eileen Garrott, who have also lost partners to the disease. Ever since meeting people who share the same problem as Linda, it has inspired her and now her desire is to go ahead and set up a support group to help those affected by Mesothelioma. Linda says "The government has known for many years how deadly asbestos is, but nothing has ever been done about it." She is right!



Those who have been affected by Mesothelioma and wish to join the support group should email Linda at thoml699@aol.com

Soon after in Dave's memory, Linda completed her husband's life long ambition, which was to take part in a sponsored sky dive. Linda says "It was such an incredible experience, I carried out Dave's wish – it was something he had wanted to do all his life and I'm so glad I've done it".



Linda's Thoughts...
 I was so nervous before hand but it was an absolutely amazing experience, I've never done anything quite like it. The feeling when you come down is incredible.
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Linda's friend and fitness instructor Michele Giles kindly held a charity Zumba night to help Linda Fundraise. The jump raised a brilliant £2,492 while Michele's Zumba night raised around £500 for the charity!



Endlessly campaigning to raise awareness and yet making an incredible amount of money, Linda is still planning goals for the future!

The last year has been so tough for Linda
“You do wonder how you will ever get through it, but raising awareness about this awful disease and supporting others helps a lot”.

Linda would like to thank everyone that donated to the fund and she says that it has supported her over the past year.



To support Linda and the Mesothelioma UK Charitable Trust visit www.justgiving.com/linda-thomas0

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