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Daughters of Martha Sheeder

Martha Sheeder graduated from the Baylor University Louise Herrington School of Nursing FastBacc® program in 2013. In remembrance of her life, her daughters Allison, Lindsay, Maury and Meredith, shared her story in a video that was shown at the 8th Annual Going for the Gold Gala this past spring. Below are some highlights from their touching sentiments about their mom.

Smiling with heartfelt remembrance about her mom, Allison Sheeder said, “She was genuinely happy about everything. I think that happiness was infectious to everyone around her.”

In May of 2012, Martha went back to school to complete the FastBacc® program at the Baylor University Louise Herrington School of Nursing (LHSON). The following February she was diagnosed with breast cancer.

“It’s good, they’re telling her she’s not going to die,” was her last说完. Her daughter Lindsay Sheeder Brown.

Then, in October of 2016, my sisters and I all got a phone call at about 11 p.m.,” shared Maury Sheeder. “Mom had been at dinner with her boyfriend and collapsed in the bathroom. She was rushed to the hospital. They did an MRI and quickly got the results back. The doctors put us all in a room together and explained that if there was white on the brain that it meant there was no brain activity.

So, I remember we were all sitting there together and they projected the picture of her brain up on the screen and the whole brain was white. That was really hard for us. We all surrounded her around the bed, and prayed and then at 2 p.m. on October 20, 2016 we held hands and let her go be with God.”

Martha’s legacy lives on because her daughters established an opportunity for other FastBacc® students who are struggling financially to be able to be a nurse. “We were able to get the scholarship endowed in record time,” said Lindsay. “To see hundreds of people come together to make this dream a reality to honor our mom was incredible.”

“If you’ve gone to a hospital or doctor’s appointment and a nurse has touched your life and impacted it in a positive way, donate to the nursing school,” said Meredith. When you contribute to the education of these wonderful future nurses you are also helping every single person they touch throughout their career because one good nurse will do good 100 times over.”

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