

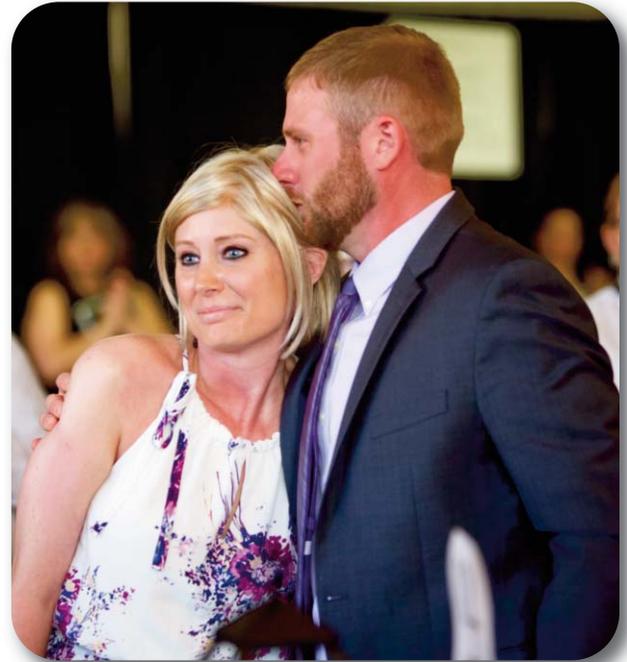
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Three weeks after being diagnosed, I underwent a bilateral mastectomy and started a 6-month regimen of chemo, followed by 30 rounds of radiation. My family and I were put to the test emotionally and physically. Some of the scariest and sickest moments in my life happened during chemotherapy. I now was not the one giving help, I was in desperate need of it. I needed help to just do simple things like showering and getting dressed. The thing that hurt the most was giving up some of my mom duties, which is what I cherish most – but we buckled down and endured what life threw at us. Just 2 short weeks ago, I finished my last radiation treatment!

Lincoln Land offers an unparalleled supportive environment. My OTA instructors were so very accommodating, letting me finish my school work while postponing my clinicals until after my chemotherapy treatments were over since my immune system was compromised. They also recognized me along with my classmates when they all graduated in December, which meant the world to me. The Foundation also worked with me on securing other scholarships. All of this support gave me the extra initiative I needed to succeed and helped me to focus on my end result...to obtain a college education and move into a successful career.

Lincoln Land's outstanding faculty and staff helped me not only in a financial aspect, but with the utmost care and compassion before and after my diagnosis of breast cancer. This college encourages education for learners at all levels, and the Foundation helps every different type of person in every different type of situation, and I was truly blessed to be one of those people.

I have been provided with the awesome opportunities of leadership, personal growth, career success, and training through education. LLCC and the Foundation have made a huge impact in my life. I am so grateful and extremely appreciative, and one day I hope to be able to give back. LLCC believed in me and my ability to succeed.



Thank you for making an impact on students.

Thank you for being a champion of education.

Thank you for believing in us.