

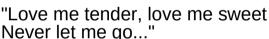
Caring Connections

Your Love Song to Loren!















On March 25th, "Elvis" performed his hits for Loren, Elara Caring hospice patient, and the residents at the Azalea Gardens Assisted Living Facility in Tulsa, OK.

Ayla, Loren's hospice nurse, was especially excited to see his wish come true. She recalled how she often sang Elvis songs with him during their visits; when he had the strength, they would even dance together.

She said "I loved watching how Loren's eyes lit up and his spirits lifted."

According to Ayla, Loren's soul was filled with joy the day that "Elvis" performed for him.

As Loren closed his eyes, his mouth curled up in a slight smile and "his breathing became easier."

After singing for Loren, Elvis moved throughout the activity room and hallways of the facility ensuring that all could enjoy the melodic musical renditions of many loved ballads and rock 'n roll songs.

For all that have loved Loren, Elvis' words were a fitting finale to a live well lived.

"You have made my life complete And I love you so."

You Saved a Home!



On February 26th, a devastating tornado swept through Oklahoma. That very evening, Dorothy's dad, an Elara Caring hospice patient passed away. That was a huge loss, but in addition to her dad's passing, her home was damaged by the tornado and her car was totaled.

Money was tight. Dorothy had quit her job to take care for her father.

While insurance would cover some of the damage caused by the storm, it would not cover everything she had lost.

Dorothy is so grateful for your kindness which has helped her help stay afloat until she starts her new job this month.

Thank you for your contributions which help our hospice families when emergency situations arise.

Why we Give...e



The Hospice Foundation
does a beautiful job of
easing day-to-day burdens
and facilitating experiences
for patients and families
that bring meaning and joy
during a very difficult time.
- Jay & Betta Swanson



When children experience grief, it can be pivotal and life changing.

Children respond to the hurt of grief with simple thoughts and actions. Through the tools of play, creativity, communication, and camaraderie children can safely express their feelings and begin to build the foundation for a lifelong understanding of grief and healing.

Camp Voyage provides an opportunity for young grievers to talk, create, play, and just have fun.

If you know of a child who could benefit from a day of hope and fun, please call 517-348-9688 or email dburke4@elara.com.

Children and family members are invited to attend!

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