THE HOSPICE OF EAST TEXAS FOUNDATION

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CELEBRATING 35 YEARS OF EXTRAORDINARY CARE

What do you do when you are given a gift?

You write a thank you note.

For thirty five years, the extraordinary medical care and compassionate support of Hospice of East Texas have been a GIFT to the people and communities of East Texas.

The tenderly written notes in this newsletter eloquently describe what that care and compassion can mean at a time when they are needed most.

Extraordinary Care, Compassion & Commitment

To the pear sweet people of Hospice,

Shark you for cell that you did to help my

Morn thru this difficult time. For the ones

that came and prepared he step by step

She had the medication she reeded, to the

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for the people viciting her and for the ones

at home surrounded her all to be

Ones during her last days. I thank

Hospice. We will be forever trateful.

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On behalf of the

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Your support and friendship

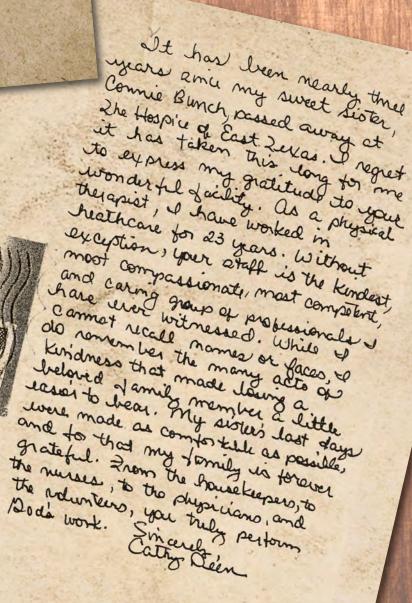
make this gift of hospice care possible and will help Hospice of East Texas honor our commitment to provide that care for years to come.





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truly any thank you to each of you for the way
you loved us well as we said goodbye to
you loved us well as heart crushing experience
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for your care and gentleress for her and
because of your care and gentleress for her and
for us. I think we came as close to Heaven
for us. I think we came as close to Heaven
as possible in this earth, by being with each
of you. You love well!

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To the entire staff of Hospice of East Texas,

Last November we began, rather unexpectedly, fighting a battle with my dad in the hospital. When we were told that there was no way to win this and we needed to look at our options, we were referred to Hospice of East Texas. Unknown, scary and deeply sad territory for us, Hospice of East Texas stepped in. They took care of all the details before we even left the hospital. When faced with telling a loved one good bye it is difficult, if not impossible, to dwell on important details. I look back on this time and have seen how I and my five siblings felt held by God, Who was generous with peace and miracles that we experienced. Hospice of East Texas feels like one of those details that He took care of for us. Before even leaving the hospital, I felt like we had a friend holding our hands, whispering in our ears, paving the road in comfort for this unimaginable journey. There was not one sticky, difficult detail not thought about or left un done. Before this experience, when I would hear the word "hospice"... It was sort of like "cancer". It sounded foreign and ugly and represented things I didn't really want to think about. After our experience with Hospice of East Texas, my eyes were opened. Hospice of East Texas not only provides a service, but provides a ministry. And it is deeply embedded in my heart now thanks to our experience. Hebrews 13:2 says: Don't forget to show hospitality to strangers, for some who have done this have entertained angels without realizing it. I have no doubt that HOET is close to angels and that they have done well to entertain them.

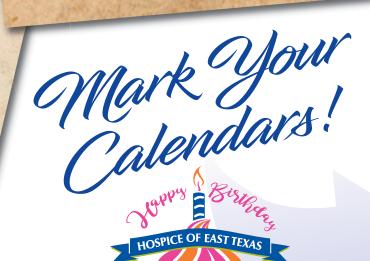
Thank you to all who touched our lives.

Melissa Blai

As Hospice of East Texas celebrates its thirty-fifth birthday this year, we take this opportunity to say THANK YOU to YOU, our friends and donors, for your support of our mission.

We are able to offer the GIFT of extraordinary and compassionate care to thousands of families each year because of gifts from people like you. Quite simply, we could not fulfill our mission without you.

We hope you can celebrate with us on October 5, 2017.



Please join The Hospice of East Texas as We Celebrate Our Thirty-fifth Birthday!

and Honor

the Committed Volunteers Who Have Served as Board Chairs from 1983 to 2017 Thursday, October 5, 2017 11:30 a.m.

> Green Acres Baptist Church CrossWalk Center

See reverse for sponsorship and ticket information.





Hospice of East Texas Thirty-fifth Birthday Campaign

A milestone birthday deserves a milestone marker! As a part of this year's celebrations, Hospice of East Texas is launching a fundraising campaign to ensure that honoring our long-standing commitments remains possible for years to come.

Since its inception, Hospice of East Texas has been committed to care for every patient and family who seeks our care, whether they have a way to pay for that care or not. Funds raised in the Thirty-fifth Birthday Campaign will be used to insure that we can honor that commitment and provide the "above and beyond" programs for which Hospice of East Texas is so well known.

Thirty-fifth Birthday Celebration Luncheon Sponsorship Opportunities

\$5000 - Presenting Sponsors

Two premium reserved tables for 8 at Celebration Luncheon

\$3500 - Luncheon Sponsors

Reserved premium table for 8 at Celebration Luncheon

\$1500 - Luncheon Table Hosts

Reserved table for 8 at Celebration Luncheon

\$1000 - Gold

Reserved seating for 6 at Celebration Luncheon

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\$500 - Silver

Reserved seating for 4 at Celebration Luncheon

\$250 - Bronze

Reserved seating for 2 at Celebration Luncheon

\$45 – Individual tickets

to the Celebration Luncheon

Your gift may be made in honor or memory of someone held dear.

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Please include all information on enclosed envelope or contact us with any questions. Wendy Frizzell, Development Officer, 903-266-3400 ext. 140 or wfrizzell@hospiceofeasttexas.org.