

Why I Gave - Eleanor Damant

Q: Why is supporting our campaign important to you?

A: Hospice will give our community the care and compassion that everyone deserves to have when they are nearing the end of their life. The hospitals cannot do this as they do not have the resources.. or staff to give our loved ones the peace and understanding that we all want our loved ones to have, when they can no longer stay at home and be cared for.

Q: Why is hospice an important charitable priority?

A: When my mother-in-law was in palliative care in the hospital, I witnessed so many poor souls who had no one to help them, to hold their hand because they were frightened or pull a blanket around them, or just sit and listen to their stories. It was heart breaking. The nurses were wonderful, but they truly do not have the time to spend with all those who are facing their final days.

Q: What options did your mother-in-law have for care?

A: My mother-in-law did not want to go to the hospital, and we tried to care for her at home, but honestly there is not enough support to do this, and there was no other choice but the hospital. If she had been able to go to hospice her final days would have been so much more peaceful, and that is what I know having hospice in Bowmanville will do for many people. Hospice may not be home, but it is not the sterile environment of a hospital and that alone will make a difference.

Q: Why did you decide to support a hospice in your community?

A: I ran a successful business in town for many years, therefore, I know that it's important to help your community grow and to prosper. Improving our healthcare is very important for our residents, employees and their families. For these reasons, I made a personal donation of \$50,000 to the campaign.

Thank you to everyone who has made this possible for our community.



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