

HOSPICE CARE

End of life and quality end of life are often things people just do not want to contemplate. The time, however, may come, when you or your family are faced with the need for hospice services. The VNA of Manchester & Southern New Hampshire's Hospice program provides services to those whose life is measured in days and weeks instead of years. The focus is on providing quality of life each and every day.

The staff include hospice nurses who are experts in pain and symptom management, working closely with the hospice medical staff and your physicians. Hospice aides provide personal care, light housework and meal preparation. Our chaplain and social workers provide spiritual counseling, assistance with resources, anticipatory grief counseling, and help with making arrangements. Our wonderful volunteers are busy bringing meals, sitting vigil, running errands, visiting, and providing support to you and your family. The result does have an impact and we know families are grateful.

There are people who could benefit now from hospice care. If you or someone you love would like to learn more, call the Manchester VNA at 622-3781. We are happy to respond to your questions and help you understand whether these quality of life services are timely.

V.N.A.
To Whom it may concern;

THIS IS A LETTER TO
THANK EVERYONE AT V.N.A. FOR
ALL THE HELP YOU GAVE MY WIFE
MARLENE ROLLINS AND I HAROLD
ROLLINS IN TAKING CARE OF HER IN
THE FINAL STAGES OF HER LIFE.
THE LAST TWO MONTHS WERE VERY
BAD FOR HER. THE HOSPICE NURSES
AND LNA'S WERE OUTSTANDING IN
THE CARE THEY GAVE HER. EACH AND
EVERYONE WENT BEYOND CARING
TO THE POINT THEY TREATED MY
WIFE LIKE A FRIEND OR A CLOSE
FAMILY MEMBER. THEY GAVE HER
GENTLE LOVING CARE. I ALSO MET
WITH THE SOCIAL WORKER AND THE
CLERGY WHO DEEPLY CARED ABOUT
MY WIFE AND MYSELF.

THE FIRST TIME THE HOSPICE
NURSE CAME INTO OUR HOME IT WAS
BRENDA KINREN AND SHE SAT WITH ME
FOR ONE TO TWO HOURS AND SHE
EXPLAINED EVERYTHING TO ME AND
IT TOOK A LOT OF PRESSURE AND
TENSION OFF ME THAT I
DIDN'T EVEN KNOW I WAS CARRYING.
IN SHORT IT WAS A HUGE RELIEF
FOR ME WHEN THEY CAME INTO OUR
HOME. I CAN'T THANK EVERYONE
ENOUGH FOR ALL THEY DID.

Harold B. Rollins