Hearts for Hospice

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Care Beyond Goodbye

Ways to remember someone you love



Some Love Never Leaves

The Dougherty Family

Care Beyond Goodbye

Care doesn't end when hospice does.

When someone we love dies, the rest of the world keeps moving. But for the people left behind, life can feel completely different.

That is why Gulfside's care continues far beyond a patient's final days. Through grief and bereavement support, families can find a place to talk, remember, learn, and begin figuring out what life looks like after loss.

And that support reaches beyond Gulfside families. Bereavement counseling is available free of charge to anyone in the community who has experienced a loss.

No one should have to figure out grief alone.

What Support Can Look Like

- **Individual grief support:** A compassionate place to talk through loss and receive guidance.
- **Support groups:** Connection with others who understand what it means to grieve.
- **Education and resources:** Tools that help adults and families better understand grief and healing.
- **Remembrance opportunities:** Meaningful ways to honor and continue remembering someone you love.
- **Community support:** Grief resources that extend beyond hospice patients and their families.

Made Possible By You

Grief doesn't follow a schedule, and neither should support. Donations help Gulfside continue providing compassionate services that may not be covered by insurance, including grief and bereavement support for families and members of our community.

BY THE NUMBERS

2,833 people served
through grief and bereavement support including referrals, mailings, and events

13 grief support groups/workshops
Groups meet weekly or monthly over several months, providing participants with continued support

308 recipients of individual support
They received direct contact from a bereavement counselor separately from group participants

FREE community bereavement support
Available to those grieving the death of a loved one, regardless of whether their loved one received hospice care from Gulfside.

Figures reflect October 2025 through August 2026.

Ways to Remember Someone You Love

There is no single way to remember someone who mattered to you. Sometimes it's lighting a candle. Sometimes it's creating a place where their name can live on. Sometimes it's simply finding a way to turn your love for them into care for someone else.



Light a Candle

Honor someone you love through Gulfside's Light a Candle ceremonies, where families and members of our community come together to remember lives that continue to hold a special place in our hearts.

Learn more about our upcoming Light a Candle ceremony on Page 7.



Butterfly Memorial Garden

Create a lasting place of remembrance with an engraved paver or memorial bench in one of Gulfside's Butterfly Memorial Gardens, peaceful spaces created for reflection, healing, and remembering.



Wall of Caring

Place your loved one's name within a Gulfside Hospice Care Center with a personalized memorial on the Wall of Caring, creating a tribute that becomes part of the place where so many families have found comfort.



Give In Their Memory

Celebrate someone's life by making a memorial gift to Gulfside. Families can also create a personalized online memorial page to share with friends and loved ones, including as an in-lieu-of-flowers option in an obituary.

Their story doesn't end here.

However you choose to remember them, their memory can continue bringing comfort to others. Scan the QR code at right to explore more ways to honor someone you love.

SCAN TO
LEARN MORE



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The photos were spread across the entry table. Family pictures. Familiar faces. Little pieces of lives that meant everything to the people gathered around them.

And nearby were three names: **Steven, E. Richard, and Grace.**

To the Dougherty family, they're so much more than names.

They're the people behind the photographs. The voices they still remember. The stories that still get told. The people who shaped a family and left behind a lifetime of memories.

Recently, their family gathered at Gulfside Hospice's Dr. Jay Weil Center for Hospice Care in New Port Richey to honor all three with memorial doves bearing their names.

But how do you capture a whole life in one afternoon? **You can't.**

You can't fit the birthdays, inside jokes, family traditions, ordinary Tuesdays and years of loving someone into a ceremony. You can't put into words every memory that comes rushing back when you see an old photograph, and you certainly can't measure how much someone is missed by the number of days since they were last here.

Some people leave our sight, but they never leave our story.

What you can do is make sure there is a place for their memory to stay. For the Dougherty family, three doves have become part of that place; a place to visit, a place to remember, a place where their names will still be spoken, and a reminder that someone was here, someone was deeply loved, and someone still matters.



Care That Doesn't End With Goodbye

That's a part of hospice people don't always get to see. Most people think of hospice as the care someone receives during the final chapter of life. And it is.

But at Gulfside, caring for someone also means caring for the people who love them. It means helping a family have more time to simply be together. It means being there for the hard conversations and quiet moments. And when a loved one dies, it means understanding that the family's journey isn't suddenly over.

More Time To Be a Family

Every day, another family in our community begins a journey they never expected to take.

When they do, Gulfside is there to provide comfort, dignity and support. But insurance does not cover the full cost of that care.

That's where you come in.

When you make a gift to Gulfside, you're helping give another family something incredibly precious: More time to simply be a family. And when goodbye comes, your support helps make sure they don't have to figure out what comes next alone.

The Dougherty family's three doves now have a permanent place at Gulfside. Their love was here. Their memories are here. **And because of people like you, Gulfside will be here for the next family, too.**



Help Us Be there for the Next Family

Your gift helps Gulfside provide compassionate hospice care and support to patients and families throughout our community, regardless of their ability to pay.

Give today and help another family spend less time worrying about care and more time loving each other.

For more information about making a gift to Gulfside, please contact Katya Guillaume, Donor Relations Advising Manager, at 813-428-3442 or email katya.guillaume@gulfside.org.

Watch Their Moment

Some moments are better experienced than explained.

Scan to watch the Dougherty Family's dedication and hear a special passage shared by Gulfside Chaplain.

SCAN TO WATCH

LIGHT A CANDLE • HONOR A NAME • REMEMBER TOGETHER



A Light for Someone You Love

This November, join Gulfside for a special tribute of remembrance.

Some names still make us smile. Some memories still feel like yesterday. And some people leave a light in our lives that never really goes away.

Gulfside's Light a Candle ceremony is a time to gather, remember and honor the people we continue to carry with us. Whether Gulfside cared for your loved one or you simply want a meaningful way to remember someone special, you are invited to join us.

Come light a candle.

Say their name.

Carry their memory forward.



Light a Candle 2026
Monday, November 30 at 12 p.m.
Dr. Jay Weil Center for Hospice Care
Rucki Hospice Care Center

See the Light

Want to see what Light a Candle is all about? Scan to watch moments from last year's ceremony and see our community come together in remembrance.

Calendar of Events

Mark your calendar — there's something meaningful happening all year long.



DECEMBER 06

Enjoy a runway show of the latest fashions while enjoying a delicious lunch, vendor expo and other activities, including prize drawings, 50/50 and silent auction.



FEBRUARY 27

This family-friendly charity music festival, held on Main Street in Zephyrhills, features local bands with live music, local vendors, food trucks, multiple 50/50 drawings, and a silent auction.

AND THAT'S JUST THE BEGINNING ...

Hittin' the Road for Hospice • Annual Pet Pageant • Charity Casino Night

Scan the QR code to see the full community calendar, event details, and the latest ways to get involved!

In Loving Memory

Recognizing gifts received between May 30 and August 31, 2026

Walls of Caring

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The Moore Family

Butterfly Memorial Garden

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Margaret Flack
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Dorothy Shorey

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