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**Area Community Groups and Individuals Rally Support for Gulfside Hospice Through Generous Donations**

LAND O' LAKES, FL — Gulfside Hospice is grateful for the generosity of local community groups and individuals whose recent fundraising efforts are helping ensure compassionate end-of-life care remains available to those who need it most. These meaningful donations reflect the community's continued support for Gulfside's mission and its commitment to providing comfort, dignity and peace to patients and families.

- RISEUp Off-Road, a local off-road enthusiast group and community-minded club, donated \$7,500 through its annual fundraising events.
- Bay Area Bassmasters contributed \$7,290.44 through its annual fishing tournament. Since 2009, Bay Area Bassmasters has donated an impressive \$105,000 in support of Gulfside Hospice.
- Danny Hescocock, a resident of the Betmar community, music lover and member of the Jam Bandits, raised \$1,000 by organizing a festival featuring five bands in his community and placing donation buckets throughout the event.
- Longtime Gulfside supporter Laurie Bartel and friend Bobbie Newberry transformed their 80th birthday celebration into a fundraiser, donating the proceeds to Gulfside Hospice and raising more than \$1,000.
- Kirsten Becker, owner of Gulfside Pet Pageant-winning Ava Chihuahua, was moved to direct guests at her wedding to make donations to Gulfside Hospice in lieu of gifts, raising more than \$3,500 for Gulfside's Pet Peace of Mind program.

Community donations like these make a meaningful difference, helping hospice patients receive the care they need and deserve.

As a nonprofit organization, Gulfside Hospice provides more than \$1 million in charity care each year to patients who do not have the ability to pay. Donations from the community help bridge the gap left by insurance reimbursements and ensure that no patient is turned away because of financial hardship.

To learn how you or your organization can donate to help hospice patients and families in our local community, please contact the Gulfside Giving team by emailing [Giving@Gulfside.org](mailto:Giving@Gulfside.org), calling 727-845-5707, or visiting [Gulfside.org](http://Gulfside.org).

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**About Gulfside Healthcare Services:**

Gulfside Healthcare Services is a non-profit organization serving the community for more than 36 years. Its three lines of business include Gulfside Hospice, offering care for patients at end of life, Gulfside Palliative Care, providing treatment options for those with chronic illness, and Gulfside Home Health, helping patients stay independent through skilled nursing and rehab at home. For more information about Gulfside Healthcare Services, visit [Gulfside.org](http://Gulfside.org) or call 800-561-4883.



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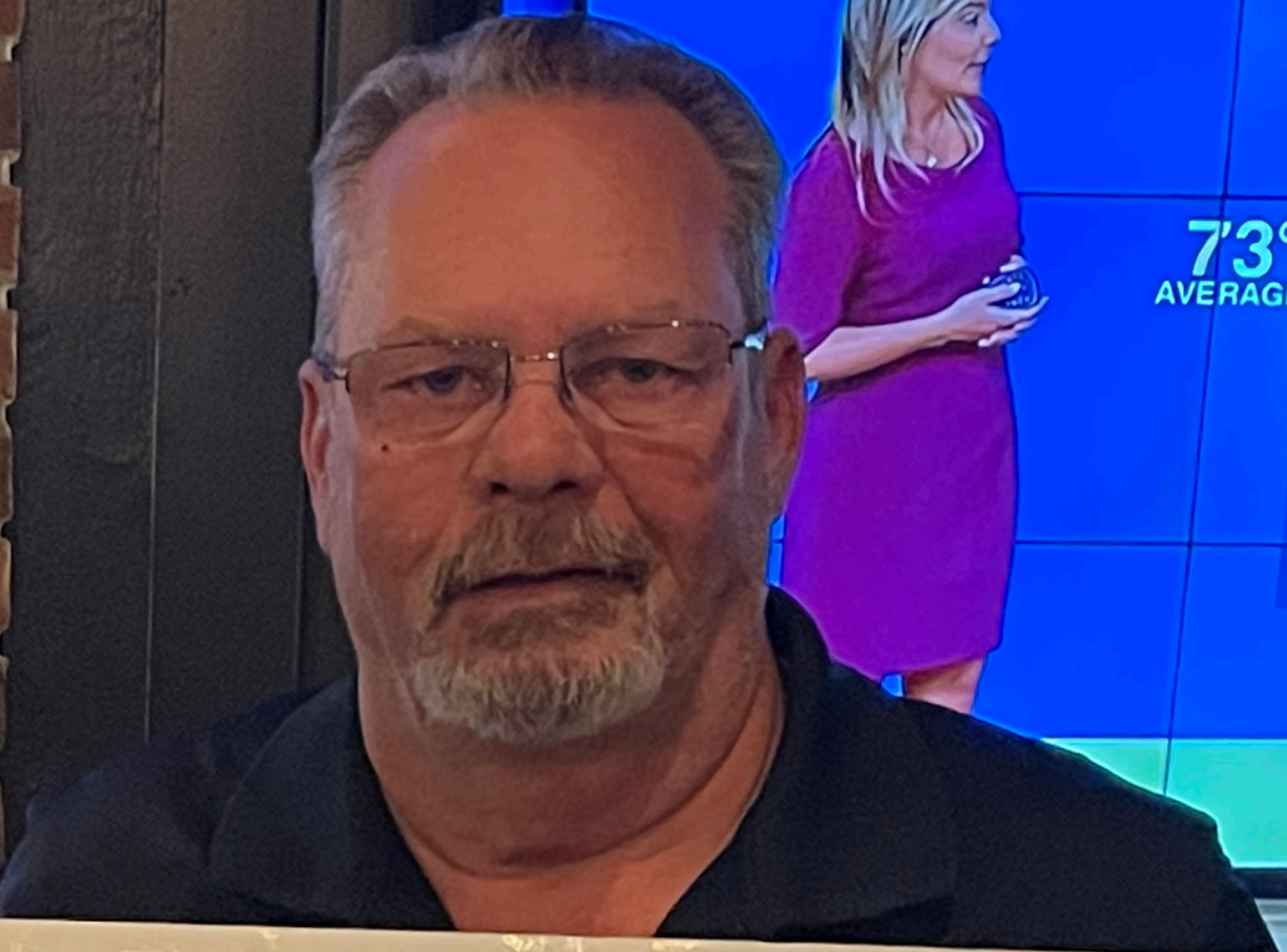
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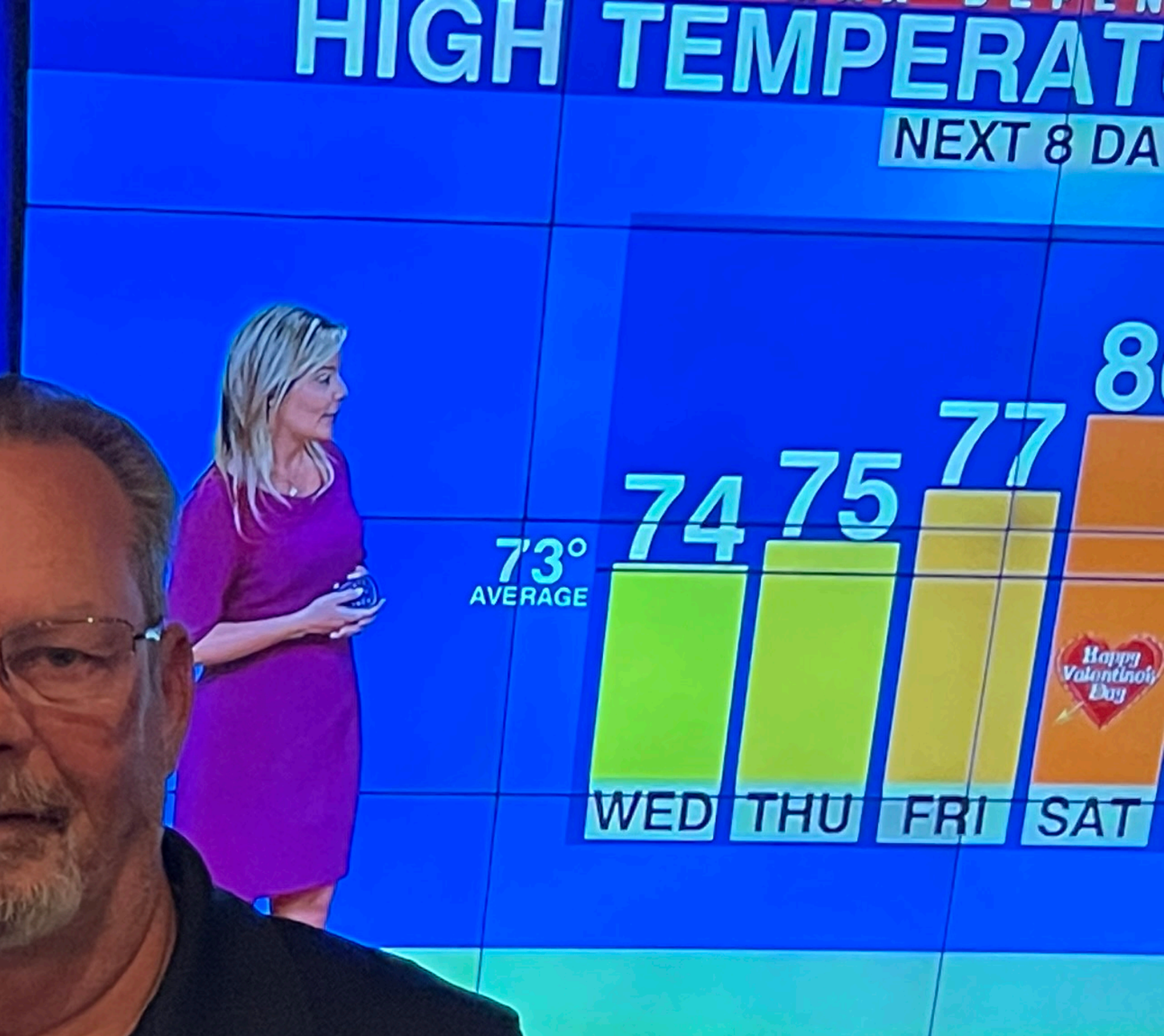
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Bay Area Bassmasters Feb. 10, 2026  
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THE ORDER OF: **GULFSIDE HOSPICE** \$ **7,290.44**

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FOR Hospice Patients Thank You!  
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*Happy Birthday  
to US and Hospice*



**Laurie**

**Bobby**

**Make a Donation  
to Celebrate our  
Shared Birthday**

