

# MOUNTAIN HOSPICE VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER

April 2021- June 2021

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*Administrative &  
Patient Volunteer*

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Mountain Hospice Volunteer Jayne Germain will be available at the Franklin Mountain Hospice office every Tuesday and Thursday from 12:00PM to 3:00PM. Our office is located at 280 S. Main Street. Please stop by the office to meet her in person. She will be able to provide resources about services that Mountain Hospice offers, as well as volunteer opportunities! A resident of Franklin, Jayne has volunteered with Mountain Hospice since 2019. She joined our efforts to provide support to our patients and their families.

"I was first introduced to hospice in 1988 when I took a part-time position as an Administrative Assistant in a local Hospice Volunteer Services Office", says Jayne. "During my employment, I took volunteer training and then began making home visits. Later left the hospice office continuing to pursue my career as a paralegal."

"When it comes to hospice training, my parents were my best education. My mom died in 2008 and my dad a year and half later in 2010. I was privileged to be the 'point person' for my parents and my family with the team who cared for them. We were able to keep them comfortable and at home during their separate dying process surrounded by family and friends. It was a cared time that I will always treasure."

"Years later Vermont University was offering a certification program to become an End-of-Life Doula. It was a new program and it had caught my attention. I signed up for the course that was taught by Francesca Arnoldy, a birth doula and End-of Life Doula who was also a Hospice volunteer. I was moved so much by the course I went directly back to our local hospice and reintroduced myself and asked if I could be of service. I was fortunate to be one of a handful of volunteers to help launch a pilot program of volunteers."

"Recently, my friend Claudia from Vermont asked why I wanted to volunteer to do this type of work. I said that it was a slice of population that is underserved and deserves more personal attention. She then said, 'Yes I understand that, but why do you want to do this?' Well, that is simple. I volunteer to spend time with the dying because it touches my heart and feeds my soul. I am a native recently from Vermont and I am grateful now to be a resident of Pendleton County where I can volunteer for an organization that provides services to the terminally ill patients."

For more information on Mountain Hospice, or to learn how you can give back to your community by volunteering, call Patty Delauder, Volunteer Coordinator & Receptionist, at 304-823-3922!

## WELCOME HOME VIETNAM VETERANS DAY MARCH 30, 2021



On March 30, 2021 Mountain Hospice would like to recognize all Vietnam Veterans who served their country by saying "Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans." Mountain Hospice are honored to be a part of the "WE HONOR VETERANS PROGRAM" an established Level 4 partner with NHPCO. Mountain Hospice provides services to the terminally ill patients that also include Veteran patients. Mountain Hospice offers services in Barbour, Randolph, Tucker, Mineral, Pocahontas, Pendleton, and Grant Counties. Mountain Hospice is currently searching for Veterans who are willing to volunteer as a Veteran-to- Veteran Volunteer. There are many ways to volunteer while providing visits to the Veteran patient, socialization, companionship, as a Veteran Volunteer. Please call Patty Delauder -Volunteer Coordinator & Receptionist at 304-823-3922 for more information.



WE HONOR VETERANS



### **Volunteer Opportunities**

- Patient Visitors providing visits and or phone to the hospice patients.
- Volunteer Chaplain providing spiritual support to hospice patients and families.
- Veteran- to -Veteran Volunteers providing support to the Veteran patients.
- Administrative /Clerical Office- answering phones, making patient calls, preparing mailing, filing etc....
- Pet Walkers/ Pet Helpers- help in assisting hospice patients with pet care.
- Music Therapy- playing instruments, radio, or Cd's for patients.
- Baking, meal prepping, running errands for hospice patients.
- Sewing Face Masks, Blankets, Pillows, Memory Bears
- Reading, scrapbooking, eulogies, autobiographies
- Public Speaking Engagements at special events
- Fundraising, Marketing
- Dream Team- Fulfilling patient's wishes such as planning a trip, building Wheelchair ramps, etc.

There are so many ways that you can help in making a difference in a patients or family's life. Call us today and request more information at 304-823-3922 or 1-888-763-7789.



THANK YOU

