



You can help grieving families focus on love, not logistics.

Dear Friend,

The signs weren't obvious at first.

When my husband Eiad began losing weight, we chalked it up to changes in his diet. The eczema was the heat of summer. His back pain and tiredness was unusual, but not alarming – we were getting older, after all.

By the time Eiad was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, he had less than a year to live.

Nothing can prepare you for that kind of heartbreak. Your entire world changes in an instant, all the plans you had for the future taken away.

I didn't know then just how important end-of-life care would become to us. Now, I'm so grateful for the support my family found at Margaret Bahen Hospice.

That's why I'm reaching out to you today, Friend, in hopes you'll join me to support this important resource in our community. Hospice provides a vital alternative to hospitals and home-care, allowing families to focus on making the most of their last days with their loved one rather than tending to their medical needs.

Will you make a gift in support of Margaret Bahen Hospice today? Donations from our community fund items like food for the hospice's family kitchen, as well as operational costs like utilities and essential staff resources. Without people like you and me, this special place wouldn't be able to offer families comfort during some of their hardest times.

I'm one of many who have benefited from the care of Margaret Bahen Hospice. The staff made such a difference for my family's peace of mind when it came time to say goodbye to Eiad.



It was impossible to imagine life without him. Eiad and I were high school sweethearts who had just celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary. We met on a beach as teenagers and built a life filled with family and travel. We had raised two children together, spending the winter and summer enjoying snow and water sports together. We were each other's rock.

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Eiad laughed and loved easily. He was a steady presence that so many considered to be their closest friend — so seeing him transformed by pain was heartbreaking. When his condition became too complex to manage at home, we initially sought care at the hospital. As it became clear Eiad was reaching his final days, we were transferred to Margaret Bahen Hospice.

Things there were so different. Everyone was warm and welcoming. At Margaret Bahen Hospice, Eiad wasn't just a patient — he was a person. As his family, we were given everything we needed to just focus on being present with him.

The ten days Eiad spent in hospice were surprisingly peaceful. Our children and I were able to stay with him the entire time. The staff brought us cots so we didn't have to leave his bedside, and I appreciated that they managed to check in frequently without it ever feeling intrusive.

One day, when we thought it may be nearing the end, more than a dozen of us were gathered around Eiad's bed. He woke up suddenly, more alert than he'd been in weeks. That was such a special afternoon. Eiad was able to speak to each person there privately, sharing his love and saying a proper goodbye. Later, we had a pizza party with him out on the patio.

Those are the moments of unexpected beauty that really stick with you. I'll carry that afternoon with me forever, and Margaret Bahen Hospice made the space for that to happen.

When Eiad died, we weren't scared. It was peaceful. We were together and surrounded by so many caring individuals in this special place. **The care of Margaret Bahen Hospice is a gift I'll never be able to repay – but one that I hope to help share.**

Just a month after Eiad's passing, our family participated in the Hike for Hospice. We raised enough funds to add a butterfly engraved with Eiad's name to the memorial wall at the hospice, a testament to the impact he made on so many people's lives.

Now, I'm hoping you'll join me and support Margaret Bahen Hospice by donating today. This home away from home provides not only medical end-of-life care but also comfort, compassion, and a sense of peace.

Together, we can enable families to focus on love instead of logistics.

With gratitude,



Janet Lamb-Dajani
Wife, mother, neighbour

P.S. Every dollar you are able to give makes a meaningful difference for families in our community as they say goodbye to their loved ones. Please give as generously as you are able today!

