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Memorial Service Celebrates Life

All are Welcome to Remember and Honor Loved Ones

Salem, Oregon (May 4, 2010) – Willamette Valley Hospice will celebrate and honor the lives of patients and loved ones during a community memorial service on Thursday, June 3, from 3:00–5:00 pm at 1015 3rd St. NW, Salem. The service is open to the entire community and will be held outside in their memorial garden, weather-permitting. A time of gathering and refreshments will follow the memorial.

This celebration provides an opportunity for Willamette Valley Hospice to remember the patients whom they have served during the past year. It also gives family members a chance to formally remember their loved ones.

The afternoon will include music, a reading of the names of those being honored, along with an opportunity for survivors to acknowledge their departed in a special way. Anyone who wishes to add a name to the reading can do so prior to the service.

Family members are encouraged to come and join in the celebration. “We want to remember, honor and celebrate those who have died,” says Vivian Wiser, bereavement counselor for Willamette Valley Hospice. Wiser explained that hospice care focuses on both patients and their families - supporting them emotionally, physically, and spiritually.

Willamette Valley Hospice is the only independent, non-profit hospice organization dedicated to high quality hospice care for residents of Marion and Polk counties. Willamette Valley Hospice has been serving our communities since 1978. In addition to community bereavement services, Willamette Valley Hospice offers volunteer opportunities, educational forums, and complimentary presentations on a variety of topics.

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