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Willamette Valley Hospice Hosts Annual Light Up A Life Celebration

Honor the Memory of Your Loved One This Holiday Season

Salem, OR & surrounding communities (Nov 18, 2009) – The holiday season can be a difficult time after the loss of a loved one. Willamette Valley Hospice invites the community to celebrate the memory of those who have passed away at an annual memorial service on **Thursday, December 3, from 3-5 p.m., at Willamette Valley Hospice, 1015 3rd St. NW in Salem, OR.**

Family members, friends, caregivers and the general public are welcome to join in the Light Up A Life celebration. One purpose of the afternoon is to formally remember and celebrate those who have died, whether they received hospice services or not. The memorial service is also an opportunity to reconnect with nurses and other members of the hospice team who cared for a family member during the last days, weeks, or months of life.

The service will include readings and candle-lighting in honor of loved ones, an opportunity for sharing memories, and an outside tree-lighting ceremony. Handmade, quilted memorial ornaments will be available in exchange for a donation that day. A reception and light refreshments are part of the afternoon. Visit our website at www.wvh.com for additional information about this and other community events.

Willamette Valley Hospice is the only non-profit hospice organization founded in and dedicated to serve Marion and Polk counties. Willamette Valley Hospice was started by volunteers and has been serving our community since 1978. Willamette Valley Hospice offers community bereavement services, educational forums, volunteer opportunities, and complimentary educational presentations.