

Silverado Hospice Los Angeles

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THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

Most of us can remember someone who went out of their way to help us during a difficult time in our lives—a grandparent, a special teacher, or even a stranger who became a friend. These memories remind us of the kindness and compassion that exist within our communities. Nowhere is that spirit more evident than in the hearts of the volunteers who serve hospice patients across the country.

In honor of National Volunteer Week, we would like to extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation to the extraordinary volunteers at Silverado Hospice.

Over the years, we've been fortunate to have hundreds of dedicated individuals generously give their time and talents to support our patients and families in countless meaningful ways. Some of our volunteers work directly with patients—offering companionship, playing music, reading aloud, or simply being a comforting presence. Many also support our mission behind the scenes, helping with bereavement services, clerical tasks, and general program support. Every role, no matter how big or small, is deeply valued.

So from all of us at Silverado Hospice—THANK YOU to our exceptional volunteers. What you do is not only amazing—it's a true calling. Your compassion, dedication, and selflessness make a lasting impact on the lives of so many

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VOLUNTEERS



Make the
World a Brighter
Place

The Gift of Time, Love, and Compassion Shared by Our Volunteers Is a True Blessing to the Patients and Families They So Kindly Serve.
Below are just a few of the special and moving experiences our volunteers have shared along their journey.

“Patient was seated in the common area. Patient was more responsive than past couple of visits, especially when hearing ‘I love you’ as demonstrated by big, bright smile and attempt at verbal communication. Volunteer stayed with patient. providing companionship, hand-holding, and playing music. Patient seemed in positive spirits the whole visit.”

“When I arrived, the patient was alert and working on her beloved chocolate pudding. She and I chatted, and I read her two books that my daughter approved for today's hang time. She seems to enjoy the stories and asked that I bring a couple more with me next week. She was surprised to hear that she is my only patient and remarked how grateful she is for the time spent. I put the Beatles on for her today before I left.”

“Patient was in good spirits today and was very talkative. He shared stories about his horses, talked about his favorite foods, and gave an “Smith history”. His fondest memories included being honored in France during a horserace and the time he spent with his older sister. Patient did mention that he has been “up and down” with his health lately, sleeping one hour one night and six hours the next. He has felt more old over the past weeks, not “talking well or hearing well”. Today, he was a bit concerned about his son Bill because he misses him and didn’t get to say goodbye before he left. He is looking forward to a visit from his son Tim later today though. Later, I shared my future goals as a doctor and patient joked that maybe I could come and treat him when he’s older! At the end of my visit, patient started to doze off so I left.”

“We prepare for life as children, life is so short, only moments long. We stand on the edge clasping hands in friendship, doing for each other what we would like done for us. Sharing, believing in a better world through volunteering, taking time to help and understand each other as final moments come so suddenly upon us. Daily, appreciation and thanks come our way, helping to pave our paths towards heaven. Behind the thank yous are hidden wonderful people who do the good deeds so deserving of the praise they receive.”

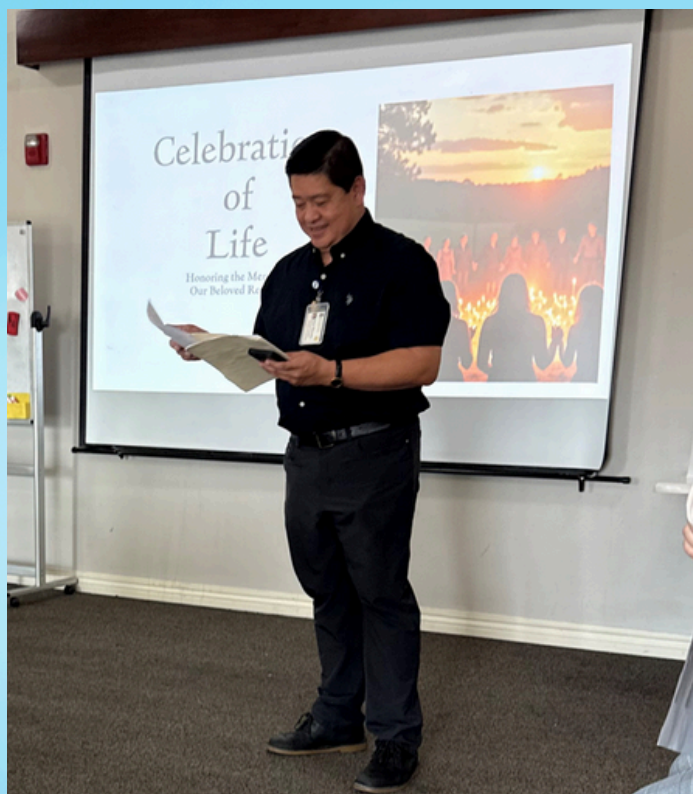
-RoseAnn V. Shawia

Celebration Of Life

Silverado Hospice teamed up with Silverado Beverly Place to host a Celebration of Life for the residents at Beverly Place who have passed on. The individuals remembered included both residents of Beverly Place and hospice patients. Each team member had the opportunity to speak about a resident who had passed and filled a vase with sand in their memory.

At Beverly Place, each resident becomes a family member to the team, and their passing impacts not only the families who have lost a loved one but also the individuals who cared for them within the community. Losing a loved one is never easy, but sharing memories and discussing how they touched our lives brings a bit of comfort.

Thank you to Beverly Place for allowing us to participate in this meaningful Celebration of Life.



Jesus, Spiritual Counselor



Jaimie, Director of Patient Care Services



Spotlight On!

Meet our wonderful employee who was recognized as employee of the month in April!

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how we're
doing!**

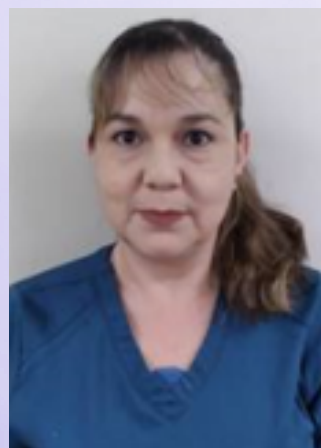
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Meet America, LVN

America was selected by her peers through voting. Her peers said things like “America is just absolutely the BEST! The care and compassion she shows to our patients and families is unmatched.”