

HOSPICE OF LANSING  
& STONELEIGH RESIDENCE

# The 1979 Legacy Society



A Society of Benefactors  
United Through the Creation of Charitable Bequests  
To Support the Mission and Work of  
Hospice of Lansing & Stoneleigh Residence

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But more significantly it was in April of 1979 when an eclectic group of individuals chose to make a difference in the community by changing the way people were cared for at the end of life.

Sitting around the table were nurses, social workers, members of the faith community and community advocates. The result was the creation of Hospice of Lansing, a non-profit hospice dedicated to compassionate care for anyone in need.

*Your charitable bequest gift gives you a seat at this same table.*



# What is The 1979 Legacy Society?

The 1979 Legacy Society is a group of loyal supporters who have made a commitment to the mission and work of Hospice of Lansing & Stoneleigh Residence by including a charitable bequest to Hospice of Lansing in their will.

At the heart of the hospice philosophy is the belief that we never give up or abandon those we love. While some doctors may say there is nothing left to do, hospice care is based on the belief that there is always something that can be done to comfort those at the end of life.



**IMAGINE** the peace of mind that comes from knowing your gift will bring hope and help to families exhausted and overwhelmed with caring for a loved one at the end of life.

**IMAGINE** your charitable bequest working to turn dreams into reality by upgrading and improving Stoneleigh Residence.





1979 Legacy Society Member  
**Phoebe “Pat” Clark**

**P**at Clark was an early supporter of our work and mission. Hospice of Lansing was privileged to care for her husband William in their home. After his death in 1989, Pat made annual contributions to Hospice of Lansing in his memory. When Pat needed hospice care, we were there for her. Pat secured her membership in The 1979 Legacy Society by making a charitable bequest to Hospice of Lansing from her estate.



# Charitable Bequests

A charitable bequest is easy to add to your will. If you have an attorney or financial advisor, all it takes is a quick phone call or meeting to add the necessary language. You decide if your gift is a specific amount, a percentage of your estate or the residue after you provide for your loved ones.

## Basic Language for Charitable Bequests:

I give to Hospice of Lansing, an independent, non-profit hospice located at 3186 Pine Tree Road, Lansing, Michigan 48911, whose taxpayer identification number is 38-2306757

The sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars (\$\_\_\_\_\_ ) OR  
\_\_\_\_\_ % or all of the residue and remainder of my estate OR

All of my interests in the following described property:  
\_\_\_\_\_ for its general charitable purposes.



## YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE WEALTHY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

While compassionate people, like you, may wish they could increase their financial support to charitable organizations during their lifetime, the economic reality is that it may not be feasible to do so. However, a charitable bequest allows you to provide for your family first - *AND leave a legacy to your favorite charitable causes.*





## A Charitable Bequest through an IRA or a Life Insurance Policy.

Another easy way to create a charitable bequest is to designate Hospice of Lansing & Stoneleigh Residence as the beneficiary of an IRA or Life Insurance Policy. This is simple to do and may only require you to fill out a new beneficiary form from your employer or financial advisor.

You can distribute your retirement assets between charities and your heirs according to any percentages you choose and these gifts generally pass directly to your beneficiaries (including charities) without going through probate.

Many donors prefer this method because neither your heirs nor your estate will pay income taxes on the distribution of the assets. Because non-profit charities do not pay income tax, the full amount of your gift will directly benefit the charity of your choice.

If you are married, be sure to check if your spouse is required to consent to the bequest. If required, but not done, this could result in a disqualification of the charity as your beneficiary.

Be clear about your wishes with your heirs, attorney and any financial advisors, giving them a copy of the completed beneficiary forms as necessary.

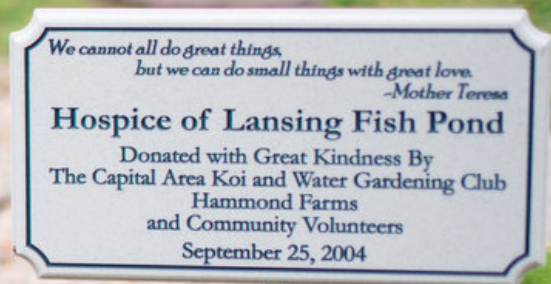




# Other Bequest Options

There are many other ways to create a charitable bequest including a Charitable Remainder Trust, Charitable Gift Annuity, and a gift of property, stock or other appreciated assets. If you are interested in any of these options, please consult your financial advisor.

While the above provides some general information, it does not constitute legal advice. It is recommended that you consult your attorney to fully understand your options and their impact.



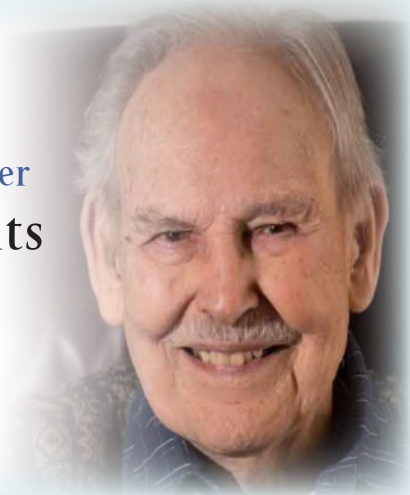


## The 1979 Legacy Society Benefits

You have a choice on how you wish to be recognized:

- › Recognition in publications
- › Recognition at Hospice of Lansing events including our Annual Fundraising Breakfast and Theatre Night.
- › Complimentary Memorial Brick in the Labyrinth or leaf on the Giving Tree at Hospice of Lansing's Stoneleigh Residence.
- › You may remain anonymous, if desired.

## 1979 Legacy Society Member Daniel Burbidge Suits



As a Professor of Economics at The University of Michigan, Dan was known as one of the most talented and versatile economists of the day. He was a gifted teacher, helping students understand public policy and the use of economics in their everyday lives. Later he moved to Michigan State University, where he was honored in 1980 with a Distinguished Faculty Award.



After retirement, Dan became a great fan of the Lansing Lugnuts Baseball Team. He attended regularly and kept such careful stats during the games that he was often asked whether he was a professional scout. Hospice of Lansing cared for Dan in a manner that allowed him to continue his daily routine and participate in activities that brought him joy. During his last summer, while a resident of Stoneleigh Residence, Dan attended 45 Lansing Lugnut baseball games. His family, in appreciation for the care given to Dan

made a charitable bequest from his estate to support Hospice of Lansing.

# Join The 1979 Legacy Society

Here is how you can let us know you have made plans for a charitable bequest.

Call us at (517) 882-4500 and speak with our Development Team.

Email us at: [Giving@hospiceoflansing.org](mailto:Giving@hospiceoflansing.org)

You may also have your attorney or financial advisor notify us in writing at the address below.

For more information visit:  
[www.hospiceoflansing.org/1979](http://www.hospiceoflansing.org/1979) Society



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