



Member Newsletter

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CHRISTUS VNA Hospice News



As you all know, November 11th is Veterans Day, a chance for us to honor the service of veterans to our country. Each year, CHRISTUS VNA Hospice celebrates this day with a memorial service at CHRISTUS Santa Rosa and all the veterans throughout the hospital come to the ceremony to accept our gratitude and thanks. Throughout the year, our hospice honors veterans in their last days with special events, such as a pinning ceremony, and they get visits from a volunteer that is also a veteran to support them in their journey. Veterans have special needs and hospice care that honors veterans makes sure that they receive those services.

Above is a picture of the CHRISTUS VNA hospice team at the ceremony this year. These are the people who day to day support and care for our hospice veteran patients. Our Executive Director, Terri Gutierrez, is there to represent all of our Members of Friends of Hospice (268 Members so far this year) that have partnered to support them for the last 34 years. We are part of the team and we are so proud to support hospice patients who are veterans and all uninsured hospice patients. This month we also honor veterans and hospice care staff, for National Hospice Care Month.

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The mission of Friends of Hospice San Antonio, Inc. is to increase community awareness and understanding of hospice and to raise funds in support of patients and their families in end-of-life care.

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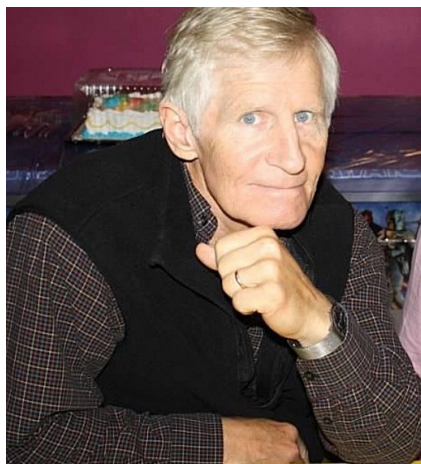
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Rest In Peace



Dr. Lark Ford



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Calendar of Events



Poinsettias and Prosecco
Tuesday, December 9th
5:00-7:00 p.m.
San Antonio Country Club



Holiday
Card
Event

December 2025



Valentine Luncheon
February 14th, 2026
San Antonio Country Club

November is National Hospice Care Month
Look for our new appeal letter in your
mailbox and help us raise money for
uninsured hospice patients

FALL SOCIAL 2025



Welcome to our new Year
2025-2026

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FRIENDS OF HOSPICE SAN ANTONIO
2025-2026

DEC 9 POINSETTIAS AND
PROSECCO RECEPTION
SAN ANTONIO COUNTRY CLUB

FEB 14 VALENTINE LUNCHEON
AND STYLE SHOW
SAN ANTONIO COUNTRY CLUB

APRIL 8 SPRING LECTURE
THE PETROLEUM CLUB

MAY ANNUAL MEETING
FREE MEMBERSHIP EVENT

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Thanksgiving is almost here and it's always a time to look with gratitude over the passing year and to count our blessings. That is not to say that there haven't been difficult things that we have all gone through this year. Many of our Members and supporters have lost spouses, family members and friends this year, which makes the holidays especially difficult. We are sending out love and support to all our Members over this holiday season, but especially to those that have experienced the loss of a loved one. We hope you will reach out to us if you are having a difficult time or call us so we can visit during the holidays, if you would like support. We understand the bereavement journey and we care about all our Members, you belong to a community and we hope you will let us help if we can.

In terms of gratitude this season, we are so grateful for all our Members. Your support for hospice patients, your willingness to volunteer your time on our Board and at our fundraising events means everything to us. It is what sustains us and will make it possible for us to continue to support uninsured hospice patients and families this year and next year, as we celebrate our 35th year of giving!

Thank you for everything you do for us and the San Antonio hospice community. Hope this holiday season is filled with love, family, friends and turkey!



Take care,
Terri Gutierrez
Executive Director
Friends of Hospice San Antonio