Heart of Kent Hospice

Light up a Life

Remember your loved one – Light up a Life this Christmas.

Light up a Life
2015

Registered charity no. 298164
You can support our Light up a Life Appeal this Christmas by returning one of the attached stars with details of your dedication and your donation. On the first star and the dedication section of the attached donation form write the names of those you would like to remember in our Light up a Life Appeal. The second star is for you to keep at home in memory of your loved ones.

Please return your star and donation form to Heart of Kent Hospice by 20 November 2015 to ensure that your dedication will be recorded in our Book of Remembrance and included in our Light up a Life Services. At two special Light up a Life Remembrance Services, your star will be blessed in a short service of readings and music and the Book of Remembrance will be distributed to families and friends at

**Sunday 29 November**
4.30pm: Sutton Valence School Chapel

**Sunday 6 December**
4.30pm: The Friars Aylesford Priory

We are also happy to post the Book of Remembrance to you at your request following the service.
This Christmas, Heart of Kent Hospice would like to invite you to take part in our annual Light up a Life Appeal.

Light up a Life provides you with an opportunity to celebrate, reflect and remember your loved ones. It is also an opportunity to show your support for Heart of Kent Hospice and the care and support we provide to patients with life-limiting illnesses in the local community and their families.

Each year, our Light up a Life Appeal provides a special opportunity for families and friends to dedicate a star in memory of loved ones, to honour their names in the Book of Remembrance and to join in one of our Remembrance Services in the lead up to Christmas.

The generous donations made to our Light up a Life Appeal help to ensure that we can continue to offer comfort and support to people with life-limiting illnesses and their families, especially over the festive period.

“Although we remember our loved ones each and every day, making a dedication to them at Light up a Life gives me a special opportunity for reflection and remembrance.”

Trudi Godfrey, bereaved family member

Light up a Life is open to everyone, not just those who have been touched by our Hospice care.
To make a dedication please return this form, your star and donation to: Kerry Harrison, Light up a Life Appeal, Heart of Kent Hospice, Preston Hall, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7PU before 20 November 2015.

**STEP 1**

**Your details**

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Heart of Kent Hospice would like to keep you informed about our work. If you do not wish to receive any further information from us, please tick the box. □

**STEP 2**

**Your dedication**

This Christmas I would like to make a dedication to:

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Please write your loved one’s name in CAPITALS and as you wish them to be recorded in the Book of Remembrance 2015.

**STEP 3**

**Your invitation to our Light up a Life services**

Please indicate the number of people attending

I would like to attend the following service:

- [ ] Sunday 29 November 4.30pm – Sutton Valence School Chapel
- [ ] Sunday 6 December 4.30pm – The Friars Aylesford Priory

If you are unable to attend a service you can pick up a copy of the Book of Remembrance 2015 after Monday 7 December from the Hospice.
Your gift
I would like to Light up a Life and make a donation to Heart of Kent Hospice:

- £45 Will pay for a bereavement counselling session to help a family member or carer come to terms with the loss of a loved one
- £65 Will pay for a Community Nurse Specialist to visit a patient in their home for end of life care
- £125 Will help to pay for an Inpatient Hospice Nurse to provide compassionate and expert care for one day

I wish to donate [ ] £45 [ ] £65 [ ] £125 Other £ ____________ Thank you
I would like you to post a copy of the Book of Remembrance to me and donate an additional £1 towards P&P [ ]

Please Gift Aid your donation

giftaid if you are a UK tax payer please sign below and we will receive an extra 25p for every £1 you donate – at no extra cost to you.

Gift Aid declaration
I confirm that I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. I understand the charity will reclaim 25p on every £1.00 that I have given. Please treat as Gift Aid donations all qualifying gifts of money made today [ ] in the past 4 years [ ] in the future [ ] Please tick all boxes you wish to apply.

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

You can cancel this agreement at any time by writing to us.

Your payment
I enclose a cheque for £ ________ Please make cheques payable to Heart of Kent Hospice.

Or, please debit my Maestro* / Delta* / Visa* / MasterCard* (delete as appropriate)
Card No: ________________ ________________ ________________ ________________
Valid from: ___________ ___________ Expires: ___________ ___________ Issue No: ___________ ___________ (Switch only)
Three digit security card: ___________ (The last three digits on the signature strip of your card)

Cardholder’s name: ___________________________ Signature: ___________________________

Thank you for helping to make every day precious.
Stuart Rolfe, retired Aylesford handyman, dad to Trudi and husband of Gillian, lost his battle to cancer of the oesophagus and passed away at Heart of Kent Hospice in September 2014.

Trudi remembers “Last year was a difficult time for us. Dad had only passed away at the Hospice a few months before the Light up a Life Appeal, although for the previous six months, the Hospice helped to care for dad at home. Caroline Baxter, one of the Clinical Nurse Specialists, regularly visited dad. She answered our questions, provided advice and in particular, helped to manage dad’s pain to keep him as comfortable as possible.

Last year, Light up a Life gave us an opportunity to reflect and remember our time with dad. As well as making a dedication in his memory, and honouring his name in the Book of Remembrance, we were able to go to the special Remembrance Service at The Friars. It was nice to meet other families who had been through similar experiences to mum and I, and to see some of the nurses and volunteers again who had helped to look after dad. The Friars was a place that we visited as a family.”

Trudi will be supporting Light up a Life again this year, dedicating a star in memory of her dad.

“We felt lucky that dad was able to come to the Hospice as they offer such amazing care. I remember dad being calm and peaceful during those final days”

Although we remember dad each and every day. Making this dedication to him gives me and mum a special opportunity for reflection and remembrance. We want to show our appreciation for the care and support that dad, and we all received from the nurses and volunteers at Heart of Kent Hospice, and make sure that the Hospice exists for other local families.”