

## Valor Bereavement Program

Valor HospiceCare & PalliativeCare knows that the death of a loved one can cause intense distress to those who shared close relationships with the deceased. We believe appropriate support to families and caregivers as they anticipate their loss and continued support after the patient's death results in a more healthful and gentle journey through grief.

To assure that appropriate services and resources are available to the family, our Bereavement Care Team assesses coping skills and support systems within the family unit before and at the time of death.

Bereavement Care is provided, for 13 months following the patient's death, in various ways:

- Families may receive visits, telephone calls, and letters from our professional staff on a regular basis
- Information and referral sources are made available upon need and/or request
- Grief Support Groups are available throughout the year
- Family and Valor hospice staff gather to remember patients who have died at our annual memorial service
- Persons evaluated as "high-risk" for complicated grieving are referred to appropriate professionals early in the process
- Grief support for healthcare professionals and other caregivers
- We offer many workshops on grief and loss to the medical and at-large community
- The Celebration of Life Memorial Services will honor patients at periodic memorial services in the community. Donations to the memorial will be utilized for indigent care and other community programs. Please visit [www.swhospicefoundation.org](http://www.swhospicefoundation.org) for further information.

Valor HospiceCare & PalliativeCare is committed to providing quality end-of-life care to all whose lives are affected.

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