



Roses for Patients

Each Valentine's Day, Dillons' customers donate roses to our agency. We then give these roses to our patients for them to enjoy. Our volunteers help prep them to be taken out by our staff. Thank you Dillons for helping us spread love on Valentine's Day!



Around the Office

Front Cover

Top Left: Southeast Kansas Staff hosted the Ft. Scott Chamber Coffee.

Top Right: Jill Rink, our pharmacy manager, was invited by our PRN pharmacist and KU professor Susan King to speak to KU Pharmacy students.

Bottom Left: Visiting Angels donated a virtual reality headset! We're grateful to use this gift to help patients experience their bucket list dreams virtually at end of life.

Bottom Right: Ed Griswold and the Lights of Life tree elves presented the Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice team with a framed replica of the Lights of Life star.

Employee Anniversaries in Southeast Kansas

The Southeast Kansas team held a General Staff meeting at the beginning of February, taking time to celebrate accomplishments from 2025 and outline goals for 2026. The discussion focused on building on last year's successes and continuing to strengthen service and teamwork. Staff anniversaries were recognized, honoring team members for their dedication and years of commitment. Kristen Walker, VP of Clinical Services in SEK, presented special 10-year clocks made by Father Tom Welk to commemorate this milestone and recognize a decade of service.

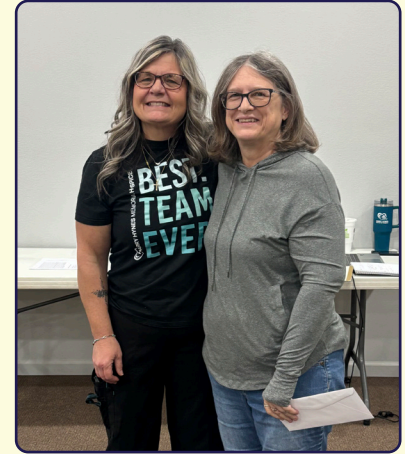
Keith Springer - 10 years



Becky McClenning - 10 years



Linda Majewski - 5 years



Pediatric Wish List

For **Giving Tuesday** on December 3, 2025, donors designated their gifts to the Harry Hynes Pediatric Wish List. As a community, over \$8,000 was raised for our littlest patients.

Some items requested include a record player with records, baby clothes, a bassinet, special figurines, a graduation party, clothing, music speakers, and more.

Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice provides care and support to children and young adults with shortened life expectancies. As your local non-profit hospice, we rely on community support to sustain our mission and provide high-quality, specialized care to pediatric patients and their families who love them.

While compassion and support are our main focus, as an act of hospitality, we want to provide special "wish list" items to enhance or ease the patient's experience. Thank you to our incredible donors for gifts that allow our clinicians the ability to grant some "wish list" requests. Your act of generosity makes a big impact on our littlest patients.

Interested in donating? Please go to hynesModuleal.org/donate or contact Donor Development at 316-265-9441.

GIVING
TUESDAY

Our Volunteers are Stars

Upon admission, each patient of Harry Hynes is assigned an inter-disciplinary team to attend to their changing needs. Much like the cast of a successful play, the team works as one to provide well-orchestrated care. Along with the doctor, nurse, social worker, chaplain, and home health aide, the volunteer provides immeasurable comfort to patients and their circle of support. While providing companionship to a patient who needs increased socialization, respite to exhausted caregivers, and vigil support lessening the chance a patient dies alone, are key roles for volunteers. Volunteers also work backstage. Raising the curtain shows us what's going on behind the scenes; weekly tuck-in calls allowing us another means of providing a comforting touch, fabricating "how-to" manuals for new admissions, heartwarming pet therapy visits and sewing cozy blankets. The volunteers at Harry Hynes have a combined experience of nearly 600 years! No contribution is inconsequential. No role is too small. Volunteers truly are the star of the show.

Milestone Anniversaries

We love recognizing our volunteers for their many years of dedication to serving our patients and families. These volunteers are celebrating milestone anniversaries this year!



Juanita Hayes-Hill
30 Years



Jamey Nyberg
25 years



Shelley Shores
20 years



Kevin Reese
10 years



Edie Vernon
5 years



Lawanda Habig
5 years

Thank you to our volunteers for their “heart” work.

Our volunteers are the star of the show and have a combined total of nearly 600 years of experience!

Name (Years volunteered):

★ Over 10 years

Shirlene S. (41)
Richard C. (32)
Juanita H. (30)
Vickie S. (27)
Jamey N. (25)
Marty S. (23)
Jan N. (22)
Ray F. (21)
Shelley S. (20)
Dolores B. (19)
Dave Hi. (18)
Juliet W. (17)
Mike P. (16)
Aide R. (13)
Ginny S. (13)
Jane Ge. (13)
Corene K. (12)
Melissa S. (11)
Kevin R. (10)

★ 6-9 Years

Lynn H.
Glenda L.
Michael Shaheen
Nikki E.

★ 5 Years

Edie V.
Lawanda H.

★ 4 Years

John K.
Mary V.
Lisa S.
Jane Ga.
Deniece M.
Joy C.
Michelle H.
Brenda R.
Kathy B.
Sharon W.
Greg H.
Sam A.
Joanne B.

★ 3 Years

Linda S.
Joia D.
Steven M.
Clare V.
Brylee Y.
John W.
Judy B.
Julie S.
Scott B.
Mike K.
Wanita B.
Kathy S.
Jack M. (and Alice)
Scott W.
Kay B. (and Aspen)
Eileen P.
Melody P.

★ 2 Years

Keith R.
Gloria X.
Mike G.
Leonard S.
Kathy R.
Dave He.
Jacalyn S.
Kristi S.
Cindy E.
Dara V.
Shirley L.
Cheryl M

★ 1 Year

Beth A.
Angela d.
Monica D.
Jessica G.
Regina H.
Marilyn H.
Tessa K.
Julie K.
Cheri K.
Ylia L.
Mary M.
Carletta M.
Molly M.
Julia M.
Linda R.
Linda R.
Emily S.

Amy V.
Janna V.
Corrine W.
Ginger R.
George M.
Brenda G. (Groot and Rowdy)
Janice R.

★ New Volunteers Within the Past Year

Sabrina A.
Laura B.
Michelle D.
Marilyn B.
Cheryl B.
Kelsey B.
Deb D.
Alisha G (and Lindor)
Sherri H.
Shari L.
Courtney P.
Maria S.
Regina W.
Cypress B.
Barb O.
Rebecca S.
Mary Beth W.
Robert H.
Audra J.
Helen T.
Virginia M.
Rebecca B.
Peg B.



Although its never expected, these **words of gratitude** for the staff and volunteers of Harry Hynes are so appreciated.

It is our honor to be a part of your journey.

Hello! Your volunteer, Scott, put together a wonderful video for my uncle's funeral. It was perfect. Thanks so much!

Thank you for the excellent and compassionate care she received on the inpatient unit at St Francis. We found the nursing staff always attentive to her needs and comfort. All staff on the unit treated our family with kindness. We are forever grateful for your service. May you be rewarded in kind.

Thank you so much for the volunteers who provided our family respite while our dad was on hospice. We desperately needed it. You all have earned your wings to heaven.

I wanted to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone at Harry Hynes Hospice, especially those who are helping care for my mother.

This experience can be very isolating at times. That all changed when your team arrived. Because of the compassion, professionalism, and genuine care shown by everyone at Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice, I have felt truly supported. It has meant so much to have others checking in on Mom and helping care for her.

Thank you for the dignity, respect, and compassion that Harry Hynes Hospice has brought into our lives. We will always be grateful.

Harry Hynes Hospice Staff & Volunteers,

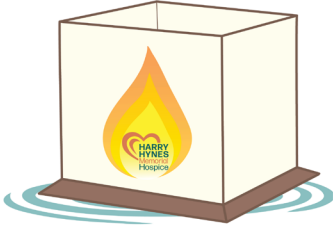
Thank you so much for all your care over the many months that my mother was in hospice. Everyone was so good, caring, and generous, and kept in touch with me throughout the whole time.

At the end, you really rallied to make sure my mother was not alone in her room, providing over 20 hours of volunteer time. You have no idea about the peace of mind that came from having that available. Thank you for making her transition easy.

She often talked about you and even remembered some of your names. The pastors who visited were the highlights of her days. I enjoyed visiting with everyone in charge of her care and the volunteers. What a blessing and comfort you provide for so many.

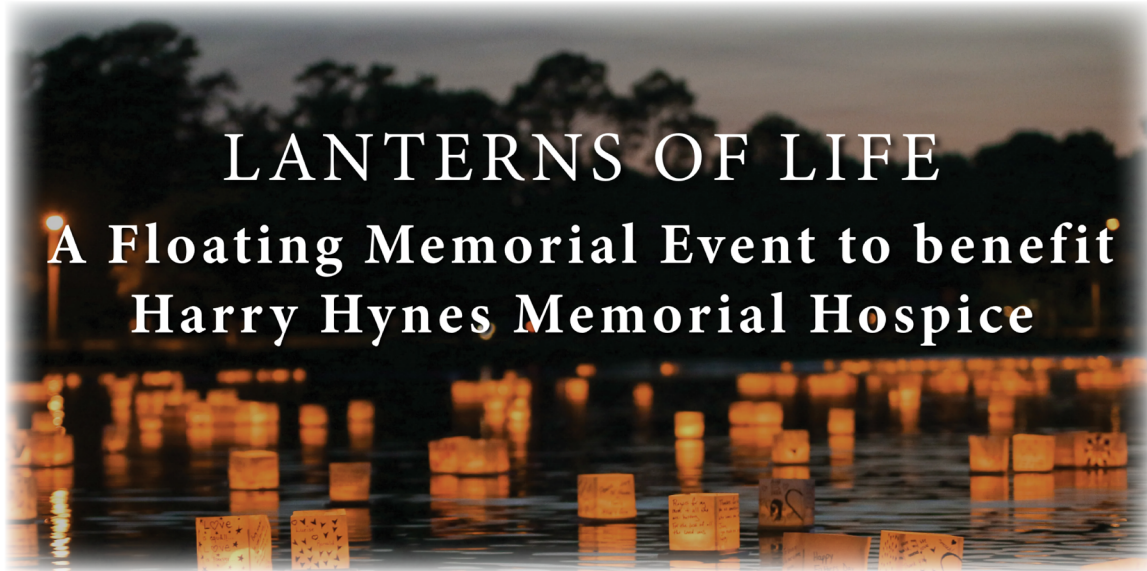
May God richly bless all of you for your caregiving spirit!

Lanterns of Life Festival



Memorial Day, Monday, May 25 at 7 PM
Memory Garden at the Collective
21st and K-96, Wichita

Join us to celebrate the lives of loved ones who have gone before us.



LANTERNS OF LIFE A Floating Memorial Event to benefit Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice

The Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice Lanterns of Life Festival is a celebration of life offering lantern decorating, activity stations, food trucks, and live music, concluding with a lantern launch in the serene ponds of the Memory Garden at the Collective. Lanterns can be purchased in advance for \$25 each, with a limited quantity available at the event.

Lanterns can be decorated with your loved one's name, image, colorful graphics or other remembrance. Be as creative as you want as it is meant to be specific and special to you. Each comes with a battery-operated candle, vellum lantern and wooden platform.

Festival admission is free and open to the public. Treats and drinks will be available for purchase. Free parking is available at the Collective on East 21st and K-96 in Wichita. Bring your own lawn chairs or blankets to sit on as seating is very limited, and proper sun protection is recommended. Purchased lanterns are the only items that can be launched and are not able to be returned. All lanterns will be collected after the float and ceremoniously burned.

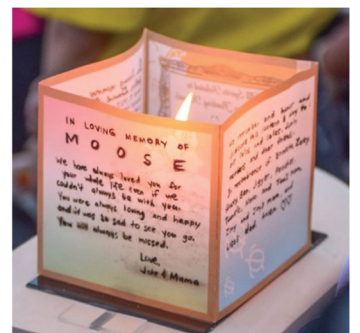
The Lanterns of Life Festival will light up the night in remembrance of those no longer with us but burn brightly in our hearts. A soft, warm, golden hue glows brightly over the Memory Garden ponds, honoring loved ones not only for the lives they lived but the lives they touched. It says they will never be forgotten.

Event Timeline For Lanterns of Life Festival

7 pm: Festival opens with treats, drinks, music, and lantern decorating

8 pm: Reflection and lantern launch

9 pm: Festival concludes





Lantern Reservation Form

Light a Lantern in Memory of a Loved One (Please Print Clearly):

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1st Person (1st Lantern) Name — one letter per square

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2nd Person (2nd Lantern) Name — one letter per square

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3rd Person (3rd Lantern) Name — one letter per square

\$25 x _____ = Total for Lanterns: \$ _____
of Lanterns Purchased

I would like to make an additional donation of \$ _____
Optional

Lanterns (+ Add. Donation + Shipping if applicable) =

Total Amount Donated

- I plan to attend the event and would like my lantern(s) shipped to me to decorate. (\$5 additional charge for shipping)
- I plan to attend the event and will decorate my own lantern(s). Lanterns can be picked up in advance at the Harry Hynes Downtown office, 313 S. Market St, Mon-Fri 8am - 5pm or at the event.
- I am unable to attend the event, please have Harry Hynes launch my lantern(s) for me with the name(s) listed above.

Donor Information

Donor's Name (Print)	() -	/ /
	Daytime Phone Number	Date

Email Address (Print)			
Address	City	State	Zip Code

Payment can be made by debit or credit card, check, or online at hynesModuleial.org

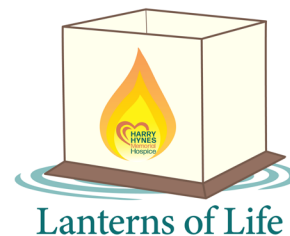
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Type of Card (Circle One)				Name on Card (Print)	Card Number
/					
Expiration Date (MM/YYYY)	CVV Number	Signature			

Select any that apply:

- My business is interested in corporate sponsorship. Please contact me with more details.
- I want more information about adding Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice to my will.
- I want more information about volunteer opportunities for Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice.
- I want more information about Grief and Loss Support/Counseling.



Make check payable to: Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice
Please return this form to:
Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice • Attention: Lanterns of Life
313 S Market St • Wichita, KS 67202





Thank you to all those who have donated in memory or honor of the following:

Donations were made from December 16 to March 10.

This list excludes the Lights of Life dedications. To view the Lights of Life dedications, visit www.hynestmemorial.org/fundraising-events/#lights-of-life

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Melissa M. Wiens
Peter L. Wolf, Jr.
Rosemary Zuercher

Regrets Only

Have you ever received an invitation that read RSVP Regrets Only? Persons who are grieving the death of a loved one often express regret. Regrets are the things we wish we had done or said. The widow who had planned on doing extensive traveling with her husband after he retired from work, and then was unable to fulfill their dream as he was suddenly diagnosed with a terminal illness. Or the regret of not being with a person at the time of death. Perhaps you regret expressing frustration at the amount of care your loved one needed. Or wish you had expressed your love and how much you would miss him.

Feeling regretful is not the same as feeling guilty. Guilt is feeling like you did something wrong. People with certain religious beliefs may feel guilty about being angry with God. Helen Fitzgerald in *The Mourning Handbook: A Complete Guide for the Bereaved* offers several suggestions for dealing with regrets and guilt.

1. Begin by identifying what is causing you to feel regretful or guilty. Make a list and determine what causes you to feel guilty and what causes you to feel regretful. Writing the list may in itself be beneficial. Look at your list. Think about what you could do to reduce the regrets.

2. Be careful not to second-guess yourself. Don't be overly critical of your behavior. People are generally doing the very best they can during a stressful time. Fitzgerald says "don't assign greater strength to yourself now than those circumstances would have allowed." We are not super human beings.

3. Try to be objective. If the guilt is real you may need professional help to deal with it. But if the guilt is more your own way of looking at the situation, talk about it with a trusted friend. Perhaps another person can help you look at the situation differently.

4. Plan to do something to eliminate your guilt. Maybe there's a task you've been putting off doing or something you could do for someone else. You need to decide how much you should do in order to let go of your feelings of guilt.

5. Be ready to forgive yourself. If that seems hard to do; then think about why it is difficult.

6. Think about what you have learned. Ask yourself what you could do to prevent having similar feelings in the future. If you wish you had expressed your feelings of love then resolve to do it now to people you care about.

7. Finally, don't forget the many good things you did for that person. Remember those good things when you start feeling bad about yourself. Writing them down may be helpful.

“Journey one day at a time. Don’t try to solve all the problems of your life at once. Each day’s survival is a triumph.”
- Earl A. Grollman

Remembering Loved Ones

Remembering in its literal sense means putting the “members back together.” While grieving, remembering is important for those who are left behind. The power of memory can never be minimized. Remembering enables us to reach beyond the limits time and space impose on us. This makes it possible to connect with loved ones who are no longer physically present to us.

Sources for remembering a loved one can take many forms such as pictures and other objects; letters and other writings carefully kept; visiting the place where the remains are preserved or having a place of memorial in the home. These are all reminders of those prior times when a loved one was present.

Some people “talk” with deceased loved ones, telling them “Good morning” or “Good night”, finding comfort in talking with them as they did in the past. For some engaging in this

“conversation” may seem weird, and therefore feel reluctant to acknowledge this to others, fearing criticism.

Talking with a loved one can be a normal part of grieving. These “imaginary” conversations are another way of remembering. Such conversations with deceased loved ones help to facilitate the journey toward healing after saying “goodbye.”

Harry Hynes Hospice is available to help with grief and loss counseling. To contact a grief counselor, visit hynesmemental.org under Care Services / Grief and Loss Support tab, or call (316) 265-9441.



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Celebrating Our "Top Team"

March 6 was Employee Appreciation Day! We celebrated our "Top Team" with a fun Top Gun themed lunch. From Southeast Kansas to the Hospice Center, we put on our aviators and celebrated each other's hard work and dedication to our patients and our mission.

