

Friend for Life News

“Peer support programs for chronic disease have improved health outcomes, quality of life, and adherence to the treatment regimen. Additionally, they have the potential to help reduce costs in areas of high utilization, reduce health disparities, increase accessibility to healthcare services, and enhance community support services.”

~ National Peer Support Collaborative Learning Network (2014)

She said she was thankful for FFL to help connect her with someone who’s been there already so that she doesn’t worry her family with her concerns and fears.

You’re the frosting on the cupcake Nancy. Seeing it through your eyes is a different prospective... Thanks for helping me see a side that might help, laughter. I tend to take things seriously. ..LOL

~ Shirley, support seeker

My volunteer was WONDERFUL!! ...[she] was both inspiring and informative. She made me feel more confident about facing chemo. And that's a BIG thing!!" ~ Carol, support seeker

Reading my original email took me back quickly to more desperate times. Friend for Life really helped me during that period. ~ Pam, support seeker

I am very grateful I was led to you thru a friend who cared enough to help. Your organization is awesome and I’m in hopes you can continue helping people for years to come. ~ Joan, support seeker

Having had my own cancer two years after [my wife’s] death and being my own advocate I feel I can lighten the darkness that comes with the helplessness of being a caregiver. Assisting in the world of cancer is where my soul is so please call upon me anytime. ~ Bruce, FFL volunteer

I am glad that I volunteer for FFL. It is one of the things that give my cancer journey a sense of purpose. ~ Elaine, FFL volunteer



Above: FFL volunteers Bob Gunter, Carolyn Thompson and Gail Gunter



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“I am forever grateful for this program and the impact it has made on my life. Thank you!”
~ Amanda W.

A Year In Snapshots



From top left: FFL Volunteers who spoke about their cancer experiences with first year students at the University of Louisville Medical School; Holy Cross HS Juniors Dillon Smothers and Madison Turner who completed a service project with FFL; event keynote speaker Melissa Lucas Bailey, Tom and Quinn Bailey; newly trained volunteers with facilitator Barry Cecil; Board Members Jordan Bunch and Jason Howard with Jason's son; volunteer Cheri Hauber threw out the first pitch at *Strike Out Cancer!*; Melissa Lucas Bailey and attendees at *An Evening with Friends 2016*.

Friend for Life Bramlette and Sandmann Awards 2016

These awards, named in honor of Friend for Life Cancer Support Network co-founders **Phil Bramlette** and **Chuck Sandmann**, were presented at *An Evening with Friends*. In addition, a new award honoring outstanding service as a FFL volunteer was named in memory of FFL volunteer **Bobbi Marris Daniels**.

The Friend for Life Bramlette Award for Outstanding Support by a Business or Corporation



The Oliver Group



KentuckyOne Health

The Friend for Life Sandmann Award for Outstanding Support of an Individual or Family



W. Scott Jones, MD



Tiffany Berry, MD



The Bobbi Marris Daniels Award for Outstanding Service as a Friend for Life Volunteer Patsy Catlett

Special thanks to FFL Volunteer **Nina Fox**, event photographer!

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

Mark your Calendars

Upcoming events to support and celebrate Friend for Life Cancer Support Network

Saturday, August 19, 5:30

11^h annual [An Evening with Friends](#) at the Audubon Country Club

Thursday, September 14 (all day)

[Give for Good Louisville](#)

Monday, November 6, 5—10

Dine at [Le Moo](#)

The 2017-2018 Friend for Life Cancer Support Network Board of Directors and Staff

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In Grateful Remembrance

We treasure fond memories of these beloved volunteers who passed away since our last newsletter



Bill Cole



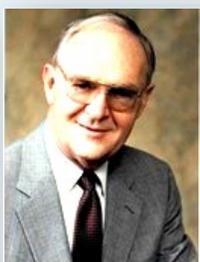
Roxie Doll



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Events

An Evening with Friends
Brackets for Good
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Kentucky Gives Day
Le Moo
Louisville Bats ~ Strike Out Cancer
Panera Bread
Village Anchor

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Amazon Smile
Kroger Atlanta
Kroger Louisville
Network for Good

Other

Community Health Charities of Kentucky

In Kind

Baptist Health Louisville
RFX Technologies

Kentucky Gives Day Donors

Alex Rohleder: *Friend For Life is a wonderful organization doing great things to support cancer patients.*
Amy Hamm: *Let's go, Friend for Life*
Anna Jorayeva
Anne Spaulding
Arthur Kasey
Barbara Emilio
Barbara Nicholas, SL: *I'm thinking of all the voices, all the texts, all those who walked into Friend for Life and found there what they didn't even know they were looking for: a friend for life! Blessings to you, all Volunteers, the Board, your families and friends!*
Bart Bushong :-)
Benjamin Ruley: *Friend for Life makes an amazing impact. I am giving to honor our amazing staff at Friend for Life who make it happen day after day!*
Beth Stadler
Bijaya Shrestha
Blake Rosbury
Brady De Luca
Brandi Scott
Brittany Farris
Bryan Stearns
Carey Addison, Jr.
Charity Murphy
Cher Vercelli
Cheryl Tuggle: *It is with great honor I give in hopes a cure will be found soon! In loving memory of my parents, family and friends who have lost their battles with this ugly disease and in honor of my sweet friend, Denise Urias, fighting her battle now.*
Christine Ward
Christopher Brown
Cindy Schroeder: *In honor of those fighting, surviving, and those who have lost the battle. And special love out to my BFFL Judy!!*
Crystal Spellman: *In honor of Rosemary Luksic*
DeeAnna Oliver: *Praying to "break the bank" tonight.*
Denny Carr
Dorienne Varounis
Elizabeth Gramiak
Emily Cronin: *I made a friend through this website which was very helpful!*
Emily Howard

Esther Thornsberry
 Evangeline Rich
 Frank Grubbs: *Keep up the good work.*
 Geneva Robinson: *I am donating in honor of Nicole Wiseman, for all the caring, hard work she puts in every day to help others!!*
 Greg Friedmann
 James Bushong
 Jamie Studts: *Go Judy and Nicole!*
 Jan Day
 Jan Eastburn
 Jason Howard
 Jeff Rizzo
 Jenna Bushong
 Jeri Seidenfaden: *So proud of what you do. This is on memory of Bobbi Daniels and my mom, Marcella Moore.*
 Jessica Sullivan
 Jim and Tina Harper
 Jim Bennett: *In memory of Patricia Bennett Ford*
 Jimmy Guffey
 Jody Hurt
 Joe McCormick: *Keep up the good work!!*
 John Kasey
 John Richardson: *You were there for my Sister. I hope this helps. Love you guys!*
 Jordan Bunch
 Joseph Parsons: *I'm making this donation in memory of my grandmother and uncle, and in honor of all my family and friends who have been impacted by cancer in their lives.*
 Joshua Christensen
 Jude Gallagher
 Judie Sherman: *Friend for Life is made up of men and women who devote precious time to helping those who've experienced the same cancer trauma. I wish I were in a position to give more.*
 Judy Kasey-Houlette: *In honor of the Friend for Life Cancer Support Network Board of Directors and Volunteers*
 Kristen Blum
 Kristi Hutchins: *Thank you for your support and friendship as we both work toward assisting cancer patients!*
 Laura Mitchell: *I am honored to give in support of Friend For Life!*
 Lauren King
 Linda Bennett: *In memory of my mother, Noreen Day.*
 Lori Bushong
 Lydia Bond
 Marian Lancaster: *For all my amazing siblings! (all of us are cancer survivors)! <3*

Martin Ray: *So happy to support all the great work you do for cancer support.*
 Mason Wiseman
 Matt Fravert
 Matthew Brenner: *You do great work*
 Michael Erskine: *Friend for Life is AWESOME! They ask for a donation, and I say YES!!!*
 Michael Steele
 Nancy Reynolds
 Nicole Guffey Wiseman
 Pamela Wiseman
 Patricia Weldy: *Hi Nicole!*
 Peter Robards
 Phillip Meeks
 Robert Meadows
 Robin Brown
 Roy Olpin: *FFL y'all are the best - keep doing those great things only YOU can do for our grateful patients.*
 Samuel Locke
 Sandra Rodgers
 Sara O'Neil
 Shelley Nally
 Sowmya Iyer: *Thank you for all you do.*
 Stephen Jecker
 Steven Perkins: *Good luck! Love, the Perkins Family*
 Sue Guffey
 Susan Booth
 Tazzie Bailey
 Teresa Fisher
 Vicki Blevins-Booth: *I love this organization and the ladies who provide support to many in need of a listening heart- Cancer is scary- FFL helps remove the fear!*
 Vincent Johnson-Thacker

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Thank you for the opportunity to know these women.

It is one of the most inspiring things in my life.

~ Lori, FFL volunteer

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SAVE THE DATE!

An Evening with Friends 2017

An event to support the work and mission of Friend for Life Cancer Support Network

Saturday, August 19, 2017
Audubon Country Club, 3265 Robin Road, 40213
Doors open at 5:30

Keep up to date by visiting: www.friend4life.org/events ; follow us on [Facebook](#); send us an e-mail: staff@friend4life.org,

