



ST. JOHN HOSPITAL & MEDICAL CENTER

July 30, 2010

Ms. Debbie Van Elslander  
Art Van Furniture

Dear Debbie,

Earlier this month the hospital served a young woman with end stage cancer. As we made plans for her return home, the extensive needs of this woman and her 4 children became apparent. A family full of love and support were willing to care for her at home with hospice but there were so many challenges for her mother to conquer. One of those was beds for her four children.

Calling upon the quality staff in our foundation and upon your generous spirit, the Art Van Furniture Store provided us with four twin beds at cost and frames for free. My visit to the Warren, MI store on 8 mile road was a delightful experience with the managers and salesperson, Delana Kidd, offering support in all of the arrangements. It couldn't have been a smoother process.

With your support, the family now has moved to a new home where the grandmother, terminally ill mother, and 4 children can be together during this difficult time. At last contact the family was in tears at the support and generous provisions that have been given to them and wanted to share their gratitude with all involved.

In our current economic environment, even the simplest forms of support are appreciated. This was a tremendous effort and we appreciate your assistance in bringing the basic physical and spiritual support to this particular family.

God Bless,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lynn E. Bidigare".

Lynn E. Bidigare  
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