

Dear Jenny and Legacy Place Staff,

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Thank you is not strong enough for the gratitude I feel each of you have displayed to my parents, Flo and Paul Dierkes, while they were residents at the Legacy Place. From the first day we moved mom and dad into their apartment, I knew this place was special; I just did not know how special at the time.

The love and support you gave my parents was immeasurable. Your gestures and acts of kindness did not go unnoticed. You brought joy and dignity to their lives each and every day. Living in Chicago I always was comforted knowing that they were in your trusting hands and care. I could not have asked for anything more.

Every time I visited, I was amazed at how loving and happy the staff was. What a joy to have such dedicated employees who make a positive difference in so many lives each and every day. What a blessed and unique environment!

Your gentle nature in how you interacted with mom was precious. You made her feel special and treated her with self-respect. Even when she could not communicate toward the end, I would see the twinkle and pleasure in her eyes with the interaction she had with you.

You brought the best out of my dad, especially after mom passed. Yes, he would get lonely, but he would always tell me something about what entertainment was provided, field trip he went on, fish fry he attended or any visitor he had and I could tell by his voice that he was smiling while we were conversing on the phone. He always commented on how nice and helpful everyone was toward him. I think some of the times he could not believe how well he was treated. And we all know how special the Cards Cubs rivalry was near and dear to his heart!

May each of you continue to make a loving difference with each life and family you touch and serve!

Blessings,



Jan Dierkes Chamberlain