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Veteran Volunteer Program

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Old Colony Hospice Veteran Volunteer Program

- ★ Old Colony Hospice offers a specialized program to provide enhanced care to our patients who have served in the armed forces. The Veteran Volunteer Program seeks to recognize and honor the contributions made by veterans as they near the end of life.
- ★ A select group of Hospice Volunteers, who are veterans themselves, has received additional training on the unique skills needed to acknowledge and support patients who are veterans, especially those who have seen combat, as they share their stories and memories. These stories, which speak of love and loss, courage and fear, youthful optimism and the wisdom of years passed, endure as a living legacy long after the battle has ended.
- ★ In addition to having trained veteran volunteers available to provide friendly visits and respite to veterans and their caregivers, Old Colony Hospice also presents each veteran with a personalized certificate to commemorate their service to our country. These certificates are a simple yet meaningful symbol to express our gratitude and thank each man and woman for their service.

As the wife of one veteran said:

“With all the turmoil that is going on in the world today – it would be easy to forget those that went before. You did not. We both thank you.”

Did you know?

- ★ Old Colony Hospice began the first Hospice Veteran Volunteer Program in MA in 2005.
- ★ Old Colony Hospice participated in the Veteran Volunteer Project sponsored by the National Hospice and Palliative Care organization and VA Council Initiative 2006–2007.
- ★ The Old Colony Hospice Veteran Volunteer Program received a commendation from the Community Health Accreditation Program (CHAP) in 2007.
- ★ Old Colony Hospice Veteran Volunteer John Camara was the recipient of the **National Council of Hospice and Palliative Professionals Volunteers are the Foundation of Hospice Award**, presented in Dallas in 2008.
- ★ The Commonwealth of MA Department of Veteran Affairs honored Old Colony Hospice Volunteer Coordinator, Christina Finelli, in 2008 for her work caring for the veteran’s community.

*“We cannot live only for ourselves.
A thousand fibers connect us with our fellow men.”*
– HERMAN MELVILLE (American writer)

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