

MAINEGENERAL'S ALZHEIMER'S CARE CENTER

P.T. attended the Adult Day Services Program (referred to as The Club) from September 2019 to October 2022. P.T. passed away October 2022.



For over three years he participated in the program he called "camp." P.T. was 58 years old and living with a form of early onset dementia and a long standing history of severe depression. His wife was deeply committed to caring for him at home, but needed support. His family recognized the need for respite services and the need for P.T. to have opportunities to socialize and participate in activities.

P.T. participated in programming before and after the pandemic. Some of his favorite activities were weekly van trips for ice cream, dancing, making arts and crafts to bring home to his wife, listening to live performers, dancing and playing word games. During program closures, he would take part in weekly Zoom calls with other members and benefited from the take home activities put together by staff. His wife shared with staff that after the first few months of programming he began to talk and converse more. He was sharing stories of his daily events at the Club on the way home.

The Club and the support of his family helped keep P.T. home right up until the last few weeks of his life when he was hospitalized. The programming at the center truly made a difference in P.T.'s life.