

Guest Spotlight



Christine

Age: 60
Transplant: Kidney
Hospital: Memorial Hermanns
Hometown: Oppelo, AR

Transplant Journey: I was born with 4 fully functioning kidneys, by the time I was 11 I was down to 1 kidney. It wasn't until my 30s they started giving me trouble. Last November 2022, I was admitted to the hospital and told to consider dialysis. On May 2nd I had the peritoneal dialysis put in. Without having to ask, both of my sisters volunteered to be tested to be a donor. My sister Kelli was a match! That same month we were approved for surgery and the date was set for July 14th. While we were living in 2 different states, I was in such awe of my sister. She told our family it was her dream since us being little girls to give me a kidney. Kelli flew in the day before surgery from Ohio and here we are now. It has been tough, a couple of setbacks with dehydration and infection but I feel so much better today and look forward to all tomorrow. Thank you, sister!

My motto: PTTR (pray, trust, and tuck and roll!)

What would you want to say to your donor?

She knows I love her beyond words and our mom is watching from above so proud of her! My sister Kelli has a special crown in heaven waiting for her. All our family is so supportive of what she has done for me. I was in so much awe of Kelli before but so much now! I'm so in love with my sister and her selflessness.

What has been your favorite space at Nora's Home?

The sun rooms! I love the sunroom; I can come out here at night and just enjoy. We've also had several game nights with other guests here. Nora's Home brings people together and creates lifelong friendships

Is there anything you would you want these donors to know?

I'd like them to see our lives after we heal, if we could send pictures of where we are now. It's not only bc of my donor but the donors of Nora's Home. They should see us not only on our hard days but on our best days after. This place is lifesaving. I'd like to give each donor a hug.



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