



Caregiver Spotlight

Jose
Husband to Doris

Patient: Doris
Age: 63
Transplant: Double Lung
Hospital: Houston Methodist
Hometown: Hutto, Texas

Describe the Transplant Journey: I am Doris' husband, before retirement I noticed she was having a tough time, so I quit my full time job and started to Uber to supplement the income. We headed to Dallas for evaluation, but she was denied. After a lot of prayer, she applied to St. Lukes where she was put on the transplant list. Within a month she got the call for her new lungs. Since the beginning, my niece and I have taken turns taking care of Doris. As everyone knows the house duties do not stop so I spent time taking care of what was needed. When Doris made it to Nora's Home, we were finally able to be together again. I had to go back home to tend to the house and come back weekly to visit.

What do you enjoy most about Nora's Home?

The thing I enjoy most about Nora's Home is the people. The staff and all guests are extremely friendly. The home is SUPER clean and friendly. Does not even feel like a transplant building, it feels more like a resort. You have the liberty to do as you please. I love this place; I would stay here for fun.

What advice would you have for a new guest coming to Nora's Home?

Please do not isolate yourself. Do not put blinders on and be a part of this great community. When you come to the kitchen say good morning and get to know the other guests. By listening to each other's stories, you can have a better understanding of the journey and even help others enhance their own story.

What would you say to the donors who support the home with monetary gifts?

Give. I recommend everyone to give, granted we all are not rich, but we all have something to give. Whether that be your time, laundry supplies, or an air fryer. The expenses people pay here are about 20% of what you would pay at a hotel so give it back to a family in need.

