



WE HONOR VETERANS

Caring Professionals on a Mission to Serve.

Crater Community Hospice is a proud partner of the We Honor Veterans Program and we are honored to deliver Veteran-centered care to those who have bravely served our country.

As a **We Honor Veterans** hospice provider, Crater Community Hospice provides specialized hospice care to Veterans who are facing a life-limiting illness. The National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization in collaboration with the Department of Veterans Affairs created the We Honor Veterans program to empower hospice and other healthcare providers across America to meet the unique needs of seriously ill Veterans and their families.

Many Americans don't realize that 1 in 4 deaths in the U.S. are Veterans. That's more than 680,000 Veterans every year. A generation of World War II and Korean War Veterans are facing end-of-life care decisions now, and they are quickly being followed by younger Vietnam War Veterans, many of whom are confronting serious illnesses at an even earlier age. We see our patient demographics closely matching this national figure. With a quarter of all Crater Community Hospice families having served in the U.S. Armed Forces, we are committed to serving and honoring veterans with hospice support that acknowledges their service and their sacrifice.

One of our most important programs is recruiting and training Veteran volunteers to provide specialized volunteer services to our Veteran patients. If you are a Veteran we invite you to become part of this **Veteran-to-Veteran Volunteer Program**. Veterans are part of a distinct culture with their own common language and experiences. When Veterans interact, this common language and experience can form strong relational bonds that have been proven to be supportive and rewarding for everyone involved.

“After about an hour of one combat veteran sharing with another combat veteran, Dad's burden was lightened. It was a conversation that only two veterans could have. I will always be grateful for my Dad having that opportunity.”

- Tracy, Son of Veteran

To learn more about our Veteran to Veteran Services or to become one of our valued volunteers please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Teresa Brockwell at 804-526-4300 or email Tbrockwell@cratercommunityhospice.org



Celebrating Life Every Day