



Fun Times in Assisted Living

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COVID STATUS

TLC remains blessed to be COVID free. All residents and staff are healthy and well.

Please check our website for the most up-to-date information:

www.oddfellows.com/covid-19



“Love is sharing your popcorn.” ~ Charles Schultz



WHAT IS LOVE?

As I’ve grown and gotten older, I realize that there is so very much that I don’t know. I can change a tire, take care of babies, fix dinner for my family, sometimes I get the schedule right at work 😊. I know a few things, but there is so much I really don’t know.

Every year as Valentine’s Day approaches, I ponder about love and what it really means. When I was younger and dating my husband, I thought I knew what love meant. Then we married, had our first fight, and still had to live together – OOF! I learned that love survives, even those first fights. Well then, I really knew what love was. Then my kids came along. Boy Howdy! That is when I learned volumes about love. I learned what it was like to live with your heart outside of your chest knowing that it would destroy me if something happened to them. Then my parents started getting older. I thought I’d always loved them, but then I began to see them in situations that made them fragile where they needed my protection. Yet another lesson in love.

The one thing I do really know about love is that you can’t quantify it. Love is all encompassing. It saturates every cell and fiber of our being. In speaking with one of you today I learned yet another lesson about love. I learned about a 14-year-old boy who was researching how he could get the COVID vaccine so that he could come to see his Grandmother. He loves and misses her that much! That’s it my friends, THAT IS LOVE! That is the share your popcorn kind of love that each one of us hopes for. The kind of love where we would give every single thing we had just to help, protect, or save the people we hold dear.

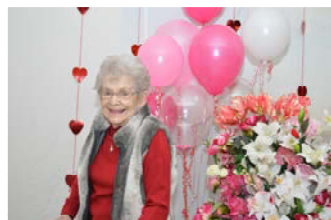
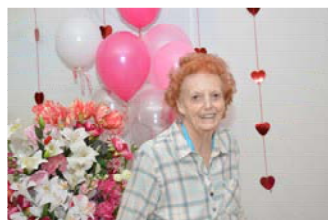
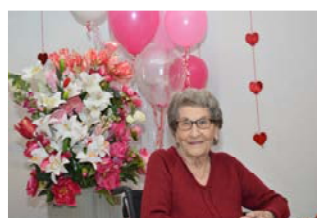
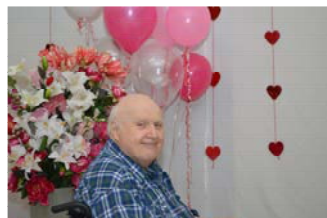
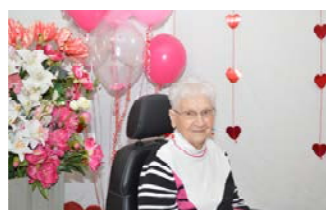
Sunday is yet another holiday. We’ve almost had a years’ worth of them now in isolation. What I do know is that love survives all things, pandemics, isolation, masks, and protective barriers. Love is still there. Your family members who live here with us are still showering you with love. And you are doing the same thing. Love isn’t something you can touch, it’s something you feel with your heart. Because of that, it’s something that transcends barriers. It flies right through windows when you are visiting. It flies right through screens when you are video chatting. In the end, love conquers and love wins!

Blessings,
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Assisted Living Director

VALENTINES DAY SWEETHEARTS



Love! Here it is again. This week we had a come and go Valentine's reception. There were treats, crafts, music and a photo booth. This picture! It captured my heart. This is love, enduring and true! One of the greatest blessings of working in long term care is getting to see real, true, raw love at its purest. Whether you're single or still married this Valentine's Day doesn't matter. What matters is that you are loved!



SOME EXTRA FUN FROM THE VALENTINES RECEPTION



AND NOT TO BE OUTDONE . . .

We did more this week than just our Valentines Reception. There was a virtual sing a long with Brittany. Some great card games. And a healthy game of trivial pursuit. Good times, good memories and love for one another.

