2024 GRATITUDE







Food and Nutrition Department

Erma Ingram

Q Fifty years is a significant milestone! What has influenced your decision to stay with Jennie Stuart Health for so many years?

"Fifty years at Jennie Stuart Health is something that I took one year at a time. When I started working at Jennie Stuart, it was to provide for my family. I was young with an infant and providing for her came first. Throughout the years at Jennie Stuart, it became a family with all the people with which I have worked. Reflecting on my time, I can remember Mrs. Katherine Lewis giving me advice about the job and family life. There were times when things on the job were not going well and listening to her advice on how to make the department better still sticks in the back of my mind. Some people stay on a job because of obligations of providing for their family. I remained at the Jennie Stuart as part of a larger calling. There are many ways of providing for a patient. My part of the larger picture was to provide Food and Nutrition to assist in the nourishment of ensuring that a patient can walk out those doors healthy and happy. My serving fifty years at Jennie Stuart is a blessing that can be described as amazing when you think about how people move from one job to the next. God has been with me for fifty years of enduring the stress of the Food and Nutrition Department while maintaining a top-notch department."

Q Erma, you began your career at Jennie Stuart Health right out of High School. What drew you to the Food and Nutrition field, and how did you get started?

"I learned about Jennie Stuart Hospital through a summer job program. The program assisted youth in the Hopkinsville community with finding jobs for the summer. After working for the summer youth program during the summer of 1974, I was so enthused by the people of Jennie Stuart that it created a spark in myself that this is what I wanted to be a part of."

Q We truly appreciate that you donate your time to the Foundation's Operation Love committee, can you tell us why you feel that's important?

"The Jennie Stuart Health Foundation's Operation Love committee is important in assisting employees through hardships of everyday life. Most people work hard at providing for their families, we need to remember that we are only one hardship away from being that person in need. I remember as a young provider that I was a person living from paycheck to paycheck in providing for my family. I understand the hardships of the everyday family because I lived it."

What do you find most rewarding about your work?

"I find that learning about the different diets that people are on based on their illness is intriguing. Most of us are truly blessed that our bodies function normally but to truly know that we are not made the same is an eye opener. Personally, every food is not made equal with my body. I utilized my personal experience with food to ensure that every patient's diet is prepared with the utmost care."

COMMUNITY IMPACT

In 2024, over \$62,000 in Annual Fund contributions have provided much care, support and encouragement for Jennie Stuart patients, employees and providers. A copy of the Foundation's Form 990 may be found on our website.



In 2024 Tree of Life funds provided patients undergoing cancer treatment with the following:

- Wheelchairs
- Portable oxvgen
- Medication assistance
- Transportation assistance
- Printed materials for patient support
- Financial assistance for patients experiencing additional barriers to treatment and healing.



To date in 2024, twenty one (21) Jennie Stuart Health employees received financial assistance to help overcome an unexpected financial hardship.

"Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your help, love and caring! You all have helped our family so much!"

> - Stephen Robinson, 2024 Tree of Life Recipient



To date in 2024, 103 members of #TeamJennie have been recognized as Care Champions for going above and beyond in providing exceptional

Since the Care Champion program began in 2020, 525 Jennie Stuart Health providers and employees have been honored by grateful patients for their outstanding service.

"Clarksville, TN was hit by a tornado December 9, 2023. The tornado caused insurmountable damage from which folks in my area are still trying to recover almost a year later. During the tornado, my car was completely destroyed. I thank God every day that it was just my car and not my home or my life! There were a lot of things at play during that time that made the situation unbearable financially. I shared with a coworker the things I was experiencing regarding the vehicle and she suggested I seek **OPERATION LOVE assistance.** I had forgotten all about this wonderful program. I submitted an application, the committee reviewed it and it was approved! I am so grateful for the Foundation here at Jennie Stuart Health and the assistance that was provided during that horribly unforgettable time. Thank you, JSH Foundation, you honestly made a devastatingly terrible situation

- Sharon McCorvey, 2024 Operation Love Recipient

so much better!"



A Word From Our Board Chair

Tracey Carter Williams, Chair

Inspiring! Generous! Awesome! These words describe the amazing year in the life of the Foundation. And these words describe the amazing generosity of our Donors.

The capital campaign to support patient care and comfort in the new E.C. Green Cancer Center had a goal of \$1.5 million and raised nearly \$2.1 million. Whether you are one of the Donors who gave a gift through the community campaign or one of the staff or employees who gave through the in-house campaign, your generosity provided so many things for our patients' comfort, including valet service.

The Bert and Nell Dorris Lilly Trust and the Gayle Moseley estate established a \$900,000 endowment for cancer care. The first grant from this Endowment funded additional patient recliners for the Infusion Clinic. A grant from the Lofton Alexander Trust will enable the hospital to renovate the current chapel to create a welcoming Prayer Room for patients, families, providers and employees.

Our Care Champions, Operation Love and Tree of Life programs have all received gifts that allowed grants to provide encouragement and relief for our patients and staff. Your support of these programs helps to strengthen and validate the culture of caring here. On behalf of the Foundation Board, we offer our heartfelt thanks to each of you.



E.C. Green Cancer Center CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

On September 13th, the Foundation hosted a private preview event to show appreciation for our generous Capital Campaign donors. Their contributions significantly elevated the amenities that patients experience in the new Cancer Center. Kelley Workman and Dr. Ratilal Gajera, Campaign Co-Chairs, announced that the Foundation exceeded its goal of \$1.5 million. A total of \$2,077,123 was raised.

PRIVATE
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PREVIEW EVENT



EMPLOYEE DONOR PREVIEW EVENT On September 20th, the Foundation held an employee donor preview event to not only say thank you for the overwhelming internal support, but to show the impact of #TeamJennie's contributions. Many employees chose to make their gifts in honor or memory of a loved one who has battled cancer. Because tribute gifts were such an important cornerstone in our campaign, the names of each tribute are displayed outside of the new Center.

"Every gift received through this Capital Campaign was significant in helping us meet our goal."

> – Dr. Ratilal Gajera and Kelley Workman, Campaign Co-Chairs

"I was presented with the opportunity to donate to the Capital Campaign when I was hired in August 2023, and I immediately took that opportunity in order to memorialize my beautiful grandmother, Heike Smith. She passed away from metastatic melanoma just a year earlier in July of 2022. She was creative, brave, and a beautiful light to the world. Seeing her name every time I pass the Tribute Wall reminds me of why I do what I do here at Jennie Stuart in the E.C. Green Cancer Center. I strive to remind these patients that they are important, they matter, and they are loved, just like Heike. Thank you, Jennie Stuart Foundation, for creating this beautiful reminder for us all."

- Hunter Stanley, 2023 Employee Campaign Donor 100 WOMEN WHO CARE

CHECK PRESENTATION



On May 29th, the Foundation was presented with a check in the amount of \$13,500 from 100 Women Who Care Hopkinsville, Kentucky to support the Foundation's E.C. Green Cancer Center Capital Campaign. Because of their gift, we also received a \$5,000 matching grant from the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation.



On November 18th, the Foundation announced the creation of the Bert and Nell Dorris Lilly Cancer Care Endowment in the amount of \$500,000. An additional gift was made through the estate of Mr. Gayle Moseley, nephew to Bert and Nell. Because Mr. Moseley wanted to contribute to his aunt and uncle's legacy, \$400,000 will be added, bringing the total endowment to \$900,000.

On July 15th, the Valet Service for the E.C. Green Cancer Center opened.
We are so appreciative of the donors who supported this enhancement through our

Capital Campaign.

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Eric Lee CEO

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Tracey Clark Executive Director

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