

A Decision Made 15 Years Ago Enables Deborah To Grow...Today

Vera (Alvira) Ferriera knew of Deborah firsthand, having been a patient for over twenty years. Small in stature but mighty in conviction, she firmly believed everyone should have access to excellent healthcare.

Supporting Deborah's philosophy that no one should make a medical decision based on personal finances, in 2007, Vera updated her Will and named Deborah Hospital Foundation as a partial beneficiary.

Always grateful for Deborah's medical expertise which enabled her to continue bowling, dancing, and taking trips to Atlantic City, Vera also valued her privacy and alone time.

In 2018, while in a double occupancy room after a valve replacement, Vera read about Deborah100: The



Vera having just learned about the Patient Tower project from Ellen.



Vera with Deborah Hospital Foundation staff Ellen Krivchenia and Steve Toal at the annual Heritage Circle Society Luncheon.

Campaign to raise funds to construct a patient tower consisting of 36 private patient suites along with the renovation of all existing double-occupancy in-patient rooms to private suites. Soon after discharge, she revised her Will again, specifying a percentage of her bequest to Deborah be put toward the construction project.

Vera continued utilizing Deborah until her passing in 2020 at the age of 89. Since then, the Deborah Foundation has received \$260,000 in distributions from her estate,

including \$125,000 specially earmarked for Deborah100: The Campaign, so others can continue to benefit from Deborah's specialized care coupled with comfort and privacy.

Have you considered supporting Deborah with a gift in your Will or Estate Plans? We have professional resources to help you make it happen. Let us show you just how easy it is to leave a charitable bequest. Contact Ellen Krivchenia at 609-893-0100 or ekrivchenia@deborahfoundation.com.