

A Decision 20 Years Ago Helps Save Lives Today

Diane Flanagan Keene credits Deborah Heart and Lung Center with saving her husbands' life. In return, she gave Deborah \$2 Million dollars to help save others.

As an impetuous couple, Diane and Sydney enjoyed a whirlwind romance. They met in New Zealand, moved to California, got married and ultimately settled in New Jersey.

They were married just four years when Sydney was diagnosed with a severe cardiac condition requiring "multiple procedures and surgeries." Diane credits the specialized care he received at Deborah with extending his life providing them with nine extra years of love and happiness together.

When Sydney passed away in 1998, Diane made a personal commitment to continue her financial support of Deborah. In addition to making annual contributions, she became a member of the Heritage Circle Society and added Deborah Hospital Foundation in her Will. "I wanted to insure other couples and families will benefit from Deborah's life-saving care as much as we did."

Diane passed away in August of 2019 and in her Will was quoted as saying, "I don't know what needs will be years from now, but I do know, that Deborah will always be needed."

With her very generous gift, Diane joins a growing list of extraordinary women who have donated \$1 Million or more to Deborah. Their selfless generosity continues to have a profound effect on the lives of so many.

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