## **OUR MISSION**

Dream Foundation, the only national dream-granting organization for terminally-ill adults, serves individuals and their families by providing end-of-life Dreams that offer inspiration, comfort and closure.

# DREAM PROGRAM

With the support of a nationwide network of volunteers, hospices, health care organizations and committed donors, over the past two decades, Dream Foundation has given life to more than 30,000 final Dreams.

Our Dreams touch lives, meet essential needs, reunite families and play a critical role in the special end-of-life care that focuses on improving quality of life for Dreamers and their families.

Dreamers are at least 18-years-old, have a life expectancy of 9 months or less and lack the resources to achieve their Dream on their own.

Dream Foundation receives no state or federal funding—we rely solely on private donations. To support our mission please visit www.dreamfoundation.org/donate.



## GIVING LIFE TO FINAL DREAMS

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# Request a **Dream**





#### www.dreamfoundation.org

## DREAMS FOR VETERANS

The Dreams for Veterans program tailors the Dream experience to veterans and their families. Dream recipients are U.S. military veterans who served from World War II to the Iraq and Afghanistan Wars, those who served during peacetime or who currently serve on active duty, the Reserve and National Guard. Dreams for Veterans honors our veterans' service by fulfilling their final Dream and providing them, their families and caregivers inspiration, comfort and closure at the end of life.

# **REQUESTING A DREAM**

Dreams can range from basic needs items, such as a new computer or TV, to a vacation, a bedside reunion or meeting a personal hero and everything in between—requests that provide joy and relief. Through this non-medical form of end-of-life compassionate care, Dreams provide inspiration, comfort and closure to Dreamers and their families.

## Qualifications

Dream recipients live in the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii, are 18 or older, are diagnosed with a life-limiting illness with a life expectancy of 9 months or less and lack the resources to fulfill the Dream themselves.

## **Dream Application**

To receive an application, please visit our website at www.dreamfoundation.org or call us at 888-4DREAMS. Please contact application@dreamfoundation.org for more information. Please note: an abbreviated application is available to those currently receiving hospice care.

Guidelines are subject to change.

For up-to-date information, please visit www.dreamfoundation.org/dream-requests.



## SOME CONSIDERATIONS

Each year our office receives thousands of requests for assistance. We give our best effort to address each one as quickly as possible. Dream recipients must be an active participant in the request and the Dream must be realistic with respect to timing and health restrictions.

#### We do not fulfill certain types of Dreams

- Requests for adults with chronic illnesses, unless they are in their last 9 months of life
- Requests from individuals living outside of the United States
- Cash
- Surprise Dreams
- Reimbursements for completed Dreams
- Legal assistance
- · Automobiles, lifts, repairs, and RV rentals
- Hunting
- Property and home improvements or repairs
- Funeral arrangements or posthumous requests
- Travel outside of the United States\*
- Medical treatment/supplies/equipment/ transportation or dental extractions
- Cruises
- Any Dream request deemed offensive, inappropriate or inconsistent with Dream Foundation values or those of our corporate sponsors

On a case-by-case basis we may allow one-way travel to countries outside of the U.S. for patients who wish to die at home; we may also consider travel to other U.S. territories.

# WHAT DREAM FAMILIES SAY ...

"You have given me back the passion and excitement that has been missing for well over a decade. Thank you for changing my life for the better!" — BRIAN, Dreamer

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"The very precious, tender and profoundly loving moments with my father will always be in my heart." — PEGGY, Daughter

"In a world of such chaos and insanity, it's nice to know that there are those that still truly care about what it means to be human. This has been more than a Dream, it has been a kiss and a hug from God."

RANDY, Dreamer

"A million thank yous in every language on Earth could not express our feelings at this time." — LARRY, Dreamer

"These two friends of nearly 50 years got to recall great times together and say their final farewells. Thanks to you all, two best friends got together one last time."

Dreamer's Brother