

In loving Memory of Mrs. Reina Moncion

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PEMBROKE - The Moncion family gathered together this past Father's Day weekend at Pembroke Regional Hospital to pay tribute to their beloved wife, mother and grandmother, Reina Moncion, who passed away February 18th.



The entire Moncion family have been long-time supporters of the Pembroke Regional Hospital. In 2001, Mrs. Moncion and her husband Omer set a high standard for community involvement and with the support of the three Moncion Grocers (Pembroke, Petawawa and Riverside Markets) as well as the Great Canadian Warehouse/Thriftlodge in Petawawa, donated over \$260,000 to the Building for the Community Campaign. In 2006, the couple personally sponsored a Dialysis Station valued at \$50,000.00 in support of the Dialysis Campaign and in 2007, the family rallied together, yet again, in support of our community by sponsoring a Birthing Suite valued at \$75,000.00

in the Maternal/Child Care Campaign.

"We should all be so fortunate to have such a giving and compassionate family such as the Moncions in our community and because of them, the path to comprehensive local healthcare is that much more assured at Pembroke Regional Hospital," said Marnie Stunt, Chair of the Pembroke Regional Hospital Foundation. "Because of their commitment to excellence, an example set by Omer and Reina, the Moncion family has enhanced our ability to fundraise for the next critical health care project, be it in advancements in equipment or capital improvements. They have certainly raised the bar for personal responsibility and community involvement so essential today in ensuring local access to healthcare excellence."

At the family's request, Mrs. Moncion's in-memoriam donations were designated to the Pembroke Regional Hospital Foundation and her remarkable legacy of generosity, care and compassion was evident in the unprecedented amount of donations received, totalling \$10,000. This amount was then generously matched by Mr. Moncion. A new plaque was added to the Foundation's Donor Wall of Recognition, creating a beloved lasting memory of the great affection she had for the health of our community.

"When we were planning our mother's funeral arrangements, we were asked which foundation we would like to choose for the in-memoriam donations," said daughter Sylvianne Moncion-Duff. "We knew that our mother would want us to choose the Pembroke Regional Hospital Foundation. Mom was a very community-oriented person and she believed that supporting our regional hospital was very important as it serves the people from the community and the entire area."

"The PRH was important for mom as she gave birth to each of her 8 children there. Over her lifetime, she has seen and experienced the tremendous improvements and expansions of this facility. She herself supported the many fundraising campaigns. Just this past year, she experienced first-hand the quality healthcare that the doctors and nurses provided to her in the last months of her life. Her care, before she died last February, was both compassionate and professional."

"Thank you to all who have made donations in memory of our mother."

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