

Langmuir

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Dear Matthew Meselson,

We the children of Alex Langmuir are writing at his request to let you know how he is doing. As you may know he underwent surgery to repair an aortic aneurysm and remove a cancerous kidney in November of 1991. The cancer spread, and in July 1993, after weeks of pain and efforts at diagnosis, he underwent another surgery, this time to remove a tumor in his lower spine. He then moved from his apartment to the Health Care Center at Roland Park Place. The results were not as we all hoped, and the cancer has metastasized to other organs. On the advice of his physician, he has chosen to forego any further treatment of the cancer, and he is now receiving care and treatment in "hospice" mode. That is the frank history of the past two years.

The good news is that he is comfortable living in the Health Care Center, he has confidence in his doctor, and he is pleased with the nursing care. Our shared hope is that he has some good time ahead and that he will feel like participating in the activities at Roland Park Place. The ongoing and difficult challenge remains, however, for the medical staff and Dad to find a medication regime that keeps him painfree, comfortable, and clear thinking.

Dad asks that the message go out that it cheers him up to receive notes, but he prefers that folks refrain from calling him on the phone. So please write to Alex, Botch, or Dr. Langmuir -- however you know him -- at the above address, and if you wish to speak to someone to learn more, please feel free to call any one of us.

Sincerely,


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You've been an important person in Dad's life these past few years -
Thought you'd like to know what's going on -