

December 10, 2013

Ms. Jennifer Turner
McPeak's Adult Home
286 North Ocean Avenue
Patchogue, NY 11772

Dear Jennifer,

The family of George and Ruth Thogersen would like at this time to express our sincere gratitude to the care of our parents while they were residents at McPeak's Adult Home.

We appreciate the patience that you, Jim McPeak, and your staff offered both our family and our parents when both moved in the first time back in 2008. Initially, it was our Mom who was at the point that she needed assistance in most day to day activities - Dad at that point could have taken care of himself for the most part. Thank you for providing him free access to and from the building, and allowing him to squirrel away his little Merlot bottles and cookie treats for Mom.

And after Mom passed away and we moved Dad back to Greenport, while there was some doubt in our mind at what point he would need assisted living again, there was no doubt in our mind if such was the case we would want him to return to McPeak's.

And sure enough when that time came, you took him in. He returned the favor by trying to leave on occasion, arguing with the staff, threatening to "notify the authorities" for one reason or another and to "take the elevator to the basement and take the subway into the city". And of course there were many other times he was the sweet charming person he could be on occasion.

But it is on top of all of this, toward the end while our father became required almost constant care, we appreciate most the way you facilitated the transition from McPeak's care to Hospice Care. This is because during those last days, we truly believe the voices, sounds, and smells he had become accustomed to must have given him some comfort, whether consciously or not. We are truly grateful for this.

I didn't think I would, but I miss the occasional caller ID "McPeak's", my heart skips a beat, then the immediate voice from either you or Soraya with the reassuring "Hi George, everything is ok"then the inevitable... "But, this morning Dad....." Believe it or not, I miss those calls. Didn't think I would, but I do. And I speak for the rest of us - we children will miss passing around amongst ourselves the latest story or incident, whether by phone, e-mail, or at our family gatherings.

So, thank you. We do want you to know that next summer we are having a memorial service for Mom and Dad planned for August 2 at a site to be determined. Once set, we will let you know. But for now, please accept our sincere best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year to you and everyone at McPeak's!

Sincerely,

George Jr., Pat, Ellen, Judy, and Jim Thogersen

Cc: James McPeak