

# Hope, Dignity, Love...It must be Hospice



OF GARRETT COUNTY, INC.



March 2026

## Introduction of Hospice Assistant Medical Director-Dr. Juan Ramos

We are pleased to announce, in coordination with Cornerstone Family Medicine, the appointment of Dr. Juan Ramos as Assistant Medical Director at Hospice of Garrett County Inc. effective December 1, 2025. Dr. Ramos brings over twelve years of clinical and administrative experience to the organization and will play a key role in advancing the organization's commitment to excellence in comfort care.

As Assistant Medical Director, Dr. Ramos will collaborate closely with Dr. Miller, Medical Director and the Clinical Team to support clinical operations and ensure delivery of high-quality, patient-centered care. "We feel Dr. Ramos's expertise in both his current clinical practice and dedication to serve the community is a truly invaluable addition to our team," said Donna Breneman, Executive Director at Hospice of Garrett County. "We are so thankful for this opportunity."

In addition to his role at Hospice of Garrett County, Dr. Ramos serves as a full-time Physician at Cornerstone Family Medicine in Oakland, providing primary, pediatric, geriatric and obstetrics care.

Dr. Ramos was born and raised in Douglas Wyoming. At age 17 he joined the Army and served for 2 years as a Cavalry Scout. Always in search of a challenge, he set his sights on becoming a Special Forces Medic. In 2005 he was selected to join the Green Berets as a Medic. Over the next 11 years he deployed with the 3rd Special Forces Group three times in support of the Global War on Terror. Those 11 years were instrumental in forming his love for medicine. A serious neck injury ended his military career prematurely, making it impossible for him to remain a Special Forces soldier. While rehabilitating from his injury and finishing out his last years in the military he completed his pre-medical degree by attending night school and graduated with a degree in Health Science from Campbell University in 2015. His love for the Lord and passion to serve others led him to Liberty University College of Osteopathic Medicine in Lynchburg, VA, where he completed medical school in 2020. Residency then brought the Ramos family to Casper, WY where Dr. Ramos participated in the University of Wyoming Family Medicine residency program. During his time there he served as chief resident during his second year and specialized in Family Medicine with a focus on Obstetrics, Rural Medicine, and Medically Assisted Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder.

This journey would not have been possible without the love and support of his wife, Raychael, whom he married in 2008. She has been his backbone throughout this journey and along the way has blessed their family with six beautiful children. Together, Juan and Raychael strive to serve the Lord as Dr. Ramos provides healthcare to the people of our community.

Dr. Ramos expressed this about his new role: "Being considered and then chosen to be a part of this amazing team is both humbling and an honor. It is a great privilege and responsibility to walk alongside the patients and families at this difficult point in their lives. I thank the Lord for this calling on my life and the passion he has given me to be a part of someone's life journey."



Dr. Juan Ramos

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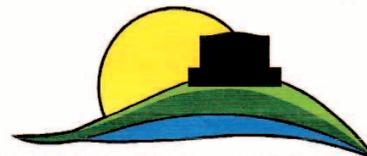
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*Thank you to all that have given so much to so many over the years to this community!*

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Hilda Maust 25 Years of Service  
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Dr. Miller, Hospice Medical Director was recognized for 26 years of dedicated service.



Pam Spurrier recognized for 20 years of service.

# Raffle Winners Announced

We're deeply grateful to these amazing ladies from Baltimore who volunteered to draw our raffle winners!



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Quilt-Donna Holt (Who graciously donated the Quilt back to us for another raffle!!)

1/2 Beef-Jean Peterman

1/2 Beef- Dale Beitzel

1/2 Hog-Mert Schulze

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We're also incredibly thankful to Heritage Quilters, Clear Mountain Bank, Hospice Staff & Chuck's Chairs-Chuck & Sharron McCubbin for their remarkable generosity and to all the wonderful folks who purchased raffle tickets this year! Bless you!

## Comments From Our Families:

- "My mother received excellent care from Hospice of Garrett County. I am so grateful to the staff."
- "The Hospice team were the greatest caregivers we needed. They were great, gentle, well trained, very loving, and caring. They knew what to do at the exact time that was needed. I tell everyone that asks they were a very great and loving team. I want and did thank them for being a great, loving team."
- "We couldn't have asked for better care. They came to feel like family. They are very caring people at Hospice of Garrett County!"
- "Hospice was outstanding with my brother. I think "Hospice" is the best organization for families dealing with the death of a family member. It takes compassion to be a volunteer and even more to be a Hospice employee. Thank you so much for the care, support, and being there to help me through the death of my brother!"
- "They did great."
- "Was very pleased with the hospice care - would recommend them to anyone."
- "Mom's health deteriorated so quickly. We were determined to do everything ourselves, but we became overwhelmed. Hospice staff listened and responded each time we called with questions or just needed to talk. All Hospice staff were so attentive and kind to mom and our family. Hospice staff was there to help and to explain what to expect with the dying process. We are thankful for your kindness and expertise."
- "Overall wonderful experience at such a difficult time."
- "The hospice team was a blessing to our loved one and our family."

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