

**Grandma is having
chemo**



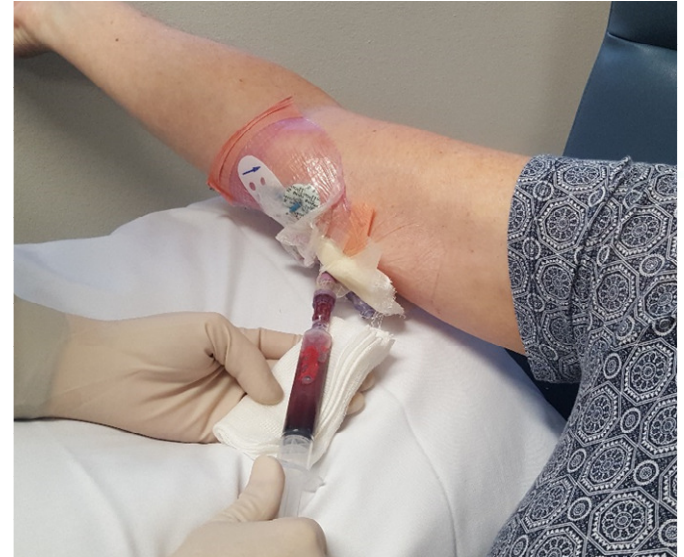
Grandma has cancer again and she is having chemo to get better. Every week Grandma has to go to hospital for a day to have it.



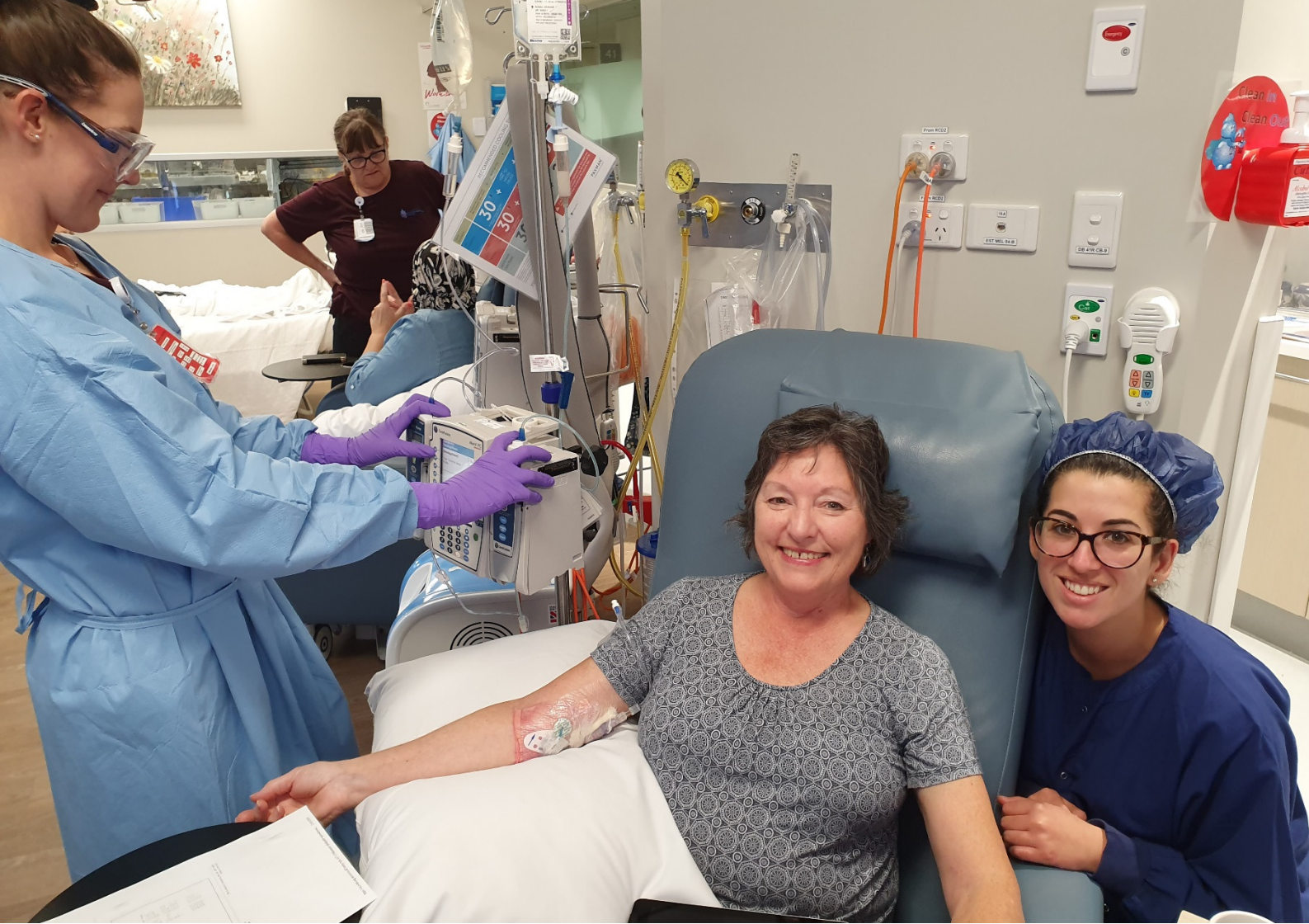
Grandma used to work at the hospital so she gets to catch up with her friends and they talk and laugh a lot.



To make it easier for Grandma to have chemo, she has a special tube in her arm which oncology nurses like Janine look after. It is called a PICC line and stays in all the time.



Grandma is happy to have the PICC line as it means she doesn't have to have any other needles to have blood tests or drugs.





Pip is an oncology nurse and she gives Grandma the chemo drugs through a special pump. Jade from theatre is keeping Grandma company.

Chemo can make people feel and look different so Grandma will need some ***superheros*** to help her. She will get very tired at times. Last time she had chemo Loki watched movies with her on the couch to make sure she rested. Loki usually fell asleep! Who could be a ***super movie hero***?





Grandma can still go to the park but she may be too tired to climb trees and play on the equipment like she usually does.



Grandpa is the ***super house hero*** and helps with the cooking. He is a really messy cook so he will have to help with the cleaning too.





Chemo can make some people feel a bit sick or even vomit. The doctor gave Grandma some tablets to take but the nurses said ginger is a good cure for yucky tummies.

Hmm. Grandma likes ginger tea but what about gingerbread men?

Grandma needs **a *super hero*** to help make gingerbread men. Who could that be?



Chemo can make hair fall out and Grandma doesn't want to leave hair all over the house like Loki does, so she had it shaved off last time.



Dadda shaved her hair off then but he gave her a funny mowhawk first! What will she do this time? Grandma needs **a super hair shaver hero**. Who do you think that could be?

Grandma will wear beanies and hats to keep her head warm, and might even wear her old wig.



Last time Grandma's hair grew back silver! What colour do you think it will grow back this time? Maybe you could draw hair on Grandma in the colour you would like to see.



People having chemo can catch infections really easily, so Grandma will need to stay away from anyone who has a bug.

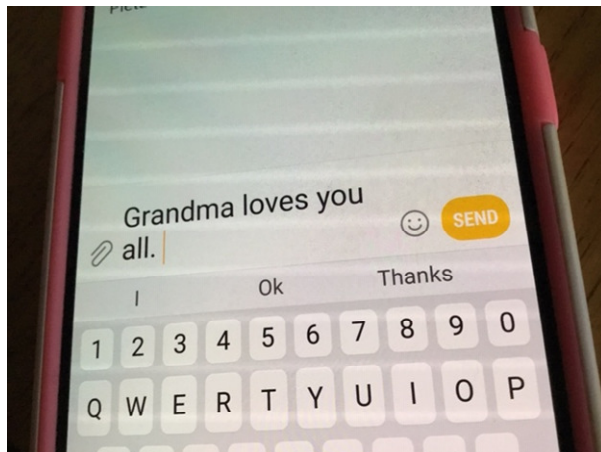
If you get a snotty nose, like Dadda here, you may not be able to see Grandma for a day or two.

We can always phone, text or Facetime.



It is hard when you are not feeling quite right and Grandma will have, times like that but there are lots of things that help her feel better. She is very grateful that she has a loving family and lots of friends who care for her.

Grandma has put pictures on the next few pages of just a few of the people and things that make her happy. Do you have any other ideas?



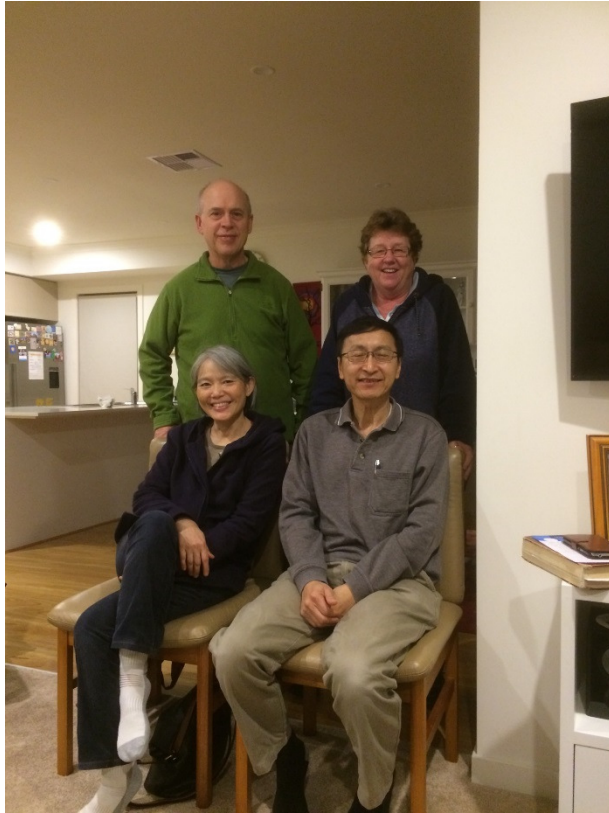
Grandma has a lot of friends from church who are praying to God that the chemo will make her better. Other friends and family ring, text or visit and Grandma feels very blessed to have them all in her life. She feels very loved.





Can you see what naughty Barbara is doing?





Here are some of Grandma's beautiful friends who have offered their love, help and some laughs along the way.



Grandma has been spoilt with lovely flowers. Mamma and Boston brought a beautiful bouquet around to cheer her up the night before her first chemo.



Special cards from special little people always make Grandma happy. And so does coffee and baby cappuccinos with her adorable grandsons.



Super heros required for:

- * Coffee dates
- * Gingerbread man making
- * Hair Shaving
- * Love and huggles
- * Special cards, drawings, texts, prayers
- * Helping Grandpa
- * Looking out for each other