



NEW CERTIFIED VOLUNTEER CHAPLAIN AIDES

BEVERLY HILLS— fifteen volunteers have successfully completed training for the Hospice of Citrus County Chaplaincy Aide Program.

These Chaplain Aides will provide spiritual support services to patients and families under the supervision of the Hospice Chaplain. Services are Non-denominational.

Chaplain Coordinator Dr. Rev. David Sokol states, “We’ve found that patients and caregivers of all faiths often have more intense spiritual needs at critical times, especially end of life. Some people desire spiritual counseling and prayer while others need special cultural or religious rituals to obtain spiritual comfort. For most patients and their caregivers, the spiritual presence that is provided by a volunteer member of the clergy team can be of tremendous comfort.”

Hospice of Citrus County places great importance on helping people find spiritual peace in the faith of their choice. Services include visits by chaplains for conversation or prayer, inspirational and scriptural reading, life review, music, and arranging for requested religious and spiritual rituals, including communion.

Pictured from left to right: (Back row) Sandy Spicuzza, Irene Johnson, Sylvia Stimpfle, Maryanne Dwinelle, Meg Cartwright, Rev. Dr. David Sokol, Darlene Welch, Rev. Dr. Tom Norton (Ret.), Jane and Ray Krueger (Front row) Kathy Carter, Marcy Boss, Clair Rachoza, Kalli Wood, Fran Frankenberger.

For more information about becoming a Hospice of Citrus County volunteer, contact Marcey Mast at 352.527.6613. Hospice of Citrus County, licensed in 1985, has been awarded the Joint Commission Gold Seal of Approval.