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**cutline: Hospice of the Nature Coast Volunteer Services Manager Ronnie Richardson (right) presents the 2011 Outstanding Volunteer Service award to Norma Forster (left) dressed in 60's theme costumes.**

### **Hospice of the Nature Coast Honors Volunteers**

Branford, Fla. – To Celebrate National Volunteer Week, Hospice of the Nature Coast honored 40 volunteers and guests from its Suwannee team with a volunteer recognition banquet featuring a theme of Peace, Love and Joy from the 60's at the Gathering Restaurant in Branford, Florida. Making the afternoon special, the group enjoyed games, 60's music, good food and an award ceremony.

During the event, Volunteer Services Manager Ronnie Richardson presented the Outstanding Volunteer Service Award for 2010 to Norma Forster. Richardson stated "Forster exemplifies qualities such as compassion, generosity, sacrifice, consistency, loyalty and reliable. She is a woman who communicates well with the staff and can be described with words like "charming", "funny" and "thoughtful". The patients who she visits describe her as "talkative" and "interesting". There is never a dull moment with Norma says one family she visits." Forster was awarded with a beautiful plaque and service pin to commemorate the occasion.

To learn more about hospice volunteer opportunities, contact Ronnie Richardson at 386-935-4520 or 866/642-0962 or email [rlrichardson@hospiceofthenaturecoast.org](mailto:rlrichardson@hospiceofthenaturecoast.org). Hospice of the Nature Coast, a program of Hospice of Citrus County, Inc., licensed 1985, is a not-profit charitable organization providing comprehensively responsive and compassionate end-of-life services to terminally ill patients and their families in north-central Florida.