

LA – 1965

PDQ Assignment

LA is a 58-year-old woman who presented to the hospice with Breast Cancer. LA explained to this writer that she is aware of where she is at in her illness and that she has chosen to attend hospice so that she could gain more quality in her life rather keep fighting and getting sicker. She is very accepting that this is her final resting place. Writer spoke to the strength in her realization and thanked her for sharing.

Writer prompted some questions to LA to better understand who she is outside of her diagnosis. LA was pleased to share all things LA with this writer because she was so used to being referred to as LA with Breast Cancer.

LA shared that she is a partner, a mother, a sister, a daughter, an aunt, a friend. She values all things that bring her life. She has two beautiful children who are most important to her, Genevieve and Noah. She has a partner who shares her love of life, music and food. She has a very close connection with her immediate family and she spends a lot of time with them whether it be Sunday brunch, DIY'ing together or doing something self-care related. Her heart feels full with her family.

LA has a quirky love for the peanuts, and also loves to sing and dance.

LA expressed that she had some concerns with being at Hospice regarding dignity, and identity. Now that she has had this conversation where she feels like a human aside from her cancer, she feels more comfortable. This writer ensured her that her values remain in place and that we will do anything we can do ensure that she still gets to have quality during her stay here.