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**Paula – a 56 year old woman is recently diagnosed with stage 5 colon cancer**

Being a smoker for more than half her life, Paula felt shocked to receive her diagnosis - as she quit smoking 6 years ago. She is currently taking chemotherapy treatments and feels ill for several days following. Her 2 daughters play an important role in her road to recovery, taking her to treatments and keeping her comfortable afterwards. Her 5 young grandchildren also help by keeping her spirits up and giving her much happiness just from their visits.

Paula's most important roles in life are being a mother/grandmother, having a full filling career as a care aide for over 35 years and, as a newly divorcee, a strong, independent woman. Paula worries about leaving her family behind. She worries that her grandchildren won't remember her. Her strength, determination and positive attitude help keep her moving forward and spend more time with her family as she continues her battle.