

## **SR 1959**

Rita is a 65-year-old woman undergoing chemotherapy for metastatic pancreatic cancer. She received the diagnosis 5 months ago, when she and her husband had decided to take a vacation in the mountains. The diagnosis interrupted all her plans.

Rita knows that she will not recover from this cancer, but she is facing chemotherapy with great strength; she believes in God. She does not particularly like those who, talking about her treatment path, call her a warrior; for her, cancer is not a war.

For her, the most important roles have always been that of wife, mother and nurse. Her biggest concern is having to leave her husband, her 3 children, and her grandchildren. She fears leaving them without guidance.

She loves nature, especially the mountains, in fact one of the things that angers her most about this disease is not being able to walk as much as before and feeling without energy. She wears a hearing aid so every time she has to ask the health staff to speak in a high tone of voice so she can hear, and this makes her uncomfortable.