

# SAINTED & TAINTED

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This Sainting goes to the wonderful and caring staff at Oak Meadows senior living facility in Oakdale, where my 90-year-old dad has resided in Independent Living for four years. Dad's memory has been increasingly compromised in the last 12 months. The staff,



including Director Connie, have been very patient and understanding of his "antics," making sure I was aware of their increasing concern for his well-being. A big Sainted to the other residents in Independent Living, who have kept a keen eye on Dad: Maida, Lee and Donna, and others.

A big Sainting to my sisters-in-law Joan and Cathy and their families, who so generously gave of their time to help move Dad into Assisted Living; to my sister, Kelly, who flew in from Baltimore to help sort through Dad's things and lend support; and to my three sons, who got out of bed early on a Saturday to give of their muscles and move Grandpa.

The biggest Sainting goes to my husband, Dave, who is always there for Dad, whether helping him with finances, doing his taxes or just going to visit and have a cup of coffee with him. Dave helped orchestrate the move and took care of selling/donating the heavy furniture Dad couldn't take with him.

I feel very blessed to have so much love and support surrounding my dad in his sunset years; I couldn't do this without all of these loving and caring people. Many thanks!

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