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Leaving a Legacy of Hope

Cindy Breslin and George Carere have faced cancer up close – more than once. They’ve seen it claim the lives of so many loved ones. They’ve felt the helplessness, the heartbreak, and the hope that comes with every treatment and breakthrough. And through it all, they’ve found a way to channel their experience into something powerful: a lasting legacy at The Princess Margaret. Their latest experience occurred three years ago, when Cindy’s brother Perry was diagnosed with stomach cancer. It was a year filled with highs and lows but also marked by compassionate care – an experience that left an indelible impression and shaped the Breslin-Carere’s future philanthropic choices.

“We’ve seen what cancer can do,” Cindy shares. “And while we can’t go back, we can look ahead. We can help ensure that future generations don’t have to experience what we did.”

That forward-looking spirit led the Breslin-Careres to include a gift in their Will to support cancer research at The Princess Margaret. As longtime donors

and proud members of the J.C.B Grant Society, they’ve made it their mission to give back in meaningful ways – through gifts during their lifetime and by leaving a legacy that will carry their values forward.

“Seeing as we don’t have children to carry on our names” says Cindy. “It’s moving to know that our names will live on at The Princess Margaret long after we’re gone. Whether you give your time or money, nothing feels as good as giving. The unexpected bonus is that new doors open; our lives are suddenly enriched with different people, enlightening events and stimulating conversations. Our gift keeps giving.”

Their legacy gift honours family members who are lost to cancer, but it’s also a testament to the power of hope – and the belief that the future can look different.

During The Princess Margaret’s Carry The Fire brand launch, the Breslin-Careres were struck by how far cancer research has come. George was



Proud legacy donors, Cindy Breslin and George Carere.

especially moved by a presentation from Dr. Jesse Pasternak, whose work in thyroid cancer echoed George’s own diagnosis many years earlier. “If his technique had been around back then, maybe my journey would have looked very different,” George reflects. “But knowing our gift will help fuel the next breakthrough – that’s everything.”

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