

## *A Legacy That Opened Doors*



### *Celebrating the life and legacy of Dolly Hintz*

As cofounder and lifelong supporter of The Doorways, Dolly Hintz turned a bold vision into a home away from home for families facing medical crises.

# A Lasting Legacy

## Remembering Dolly Hintz



On May 15, the world lost a true visionary, and The Doorways lost one of the guiding forces behind its mission of hospitality and care. Dolly Hintz believed families facing medical crises deserved more than just a place to stay. They deserved a sense of comfort and the ability to remain close to the people and care they needed most.

As a cofounder of The Doorways, Dolly was integral in turning a bold vision into a lasting source of support for thousands of families traveling to Richmond for medical care. What began as an idea rooted in compassion grew through her determination and unwavering commitment to helping others.

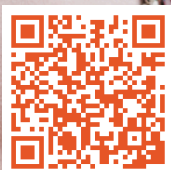
**But Dolly was far more than a founder.** She continually looked for new ways to strengthen and expand the mission of The Doorways. From helping transform a former hotel into a welcoming hospitality house to supporting major milestones and future growth, she played a crucial role in shaping The Doorways into the largest donation-based hospital hospitality house in the country.

Even as The Doorways evolved over the decades, Dolly remained deeply connected to its mission. She often referred to **The Doorways as “one of her children,”** a reflection of the care and devotion she poured into the organization throughout her life. She attended events, celebrated milestones, and generously supported projects that would directly impact guests and families, including the creation of Dolly’s Garden, a peaceful outdoor oasis where guests can rest and reflect during difficult seasons.

**Dolly’s greatest legacy lives beyond buildings or spaces.** It lives in the thousands of families who have found comfort within these walls, in the volunteers who continue carrying the mission forward, and in the sense of community she helped create through decades of dedication.

Today, every open door and quiet act of kindness at The Doorways reflects the vision Dolly helped bring to life.

*Thank you, Dolly*



Explore Dolly's legacy

Inspired by the hospitality that defines The Doorways, the 17th Annual SAVOR brought together renowned chefs from inns across Virginia, supporters, and sponsors at HeloAir in support of our mission. Hosted inside an aircraft hangar transformed for the occasion, SAVOR celebrated the generosity that helps make comfort and care possible for our guests every day.



Scan to explore more photos and relive the night with us.

## SAVOR checked “inn” for an unforgettable evening



## Thank you to our incredible sponsors!

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7,500+  
volunteer hours



1,000+  
volunteers



Thousands  
of meals served

## Care in Action

Every day at The Doorways, volunteers help turn ordinary moments into meaningful acts of care.

From preparing meals and hosting Windex Parties to leading Crafternoon Delights or offering a warm welcome, volunteers help create the sense of comfort that makes

The Doorways feel like home for families facing medical crises.

During Volunteer Appreciation Month, we were honored to celebrate the hundreds of individuals, groups, and community partners who support guests throughout the year, including longtime supporter C.P. Dean Company for hosting this year's appreciation event in their game showroom.



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provides lodging and support for patients and their loved ones who need to be close to the hospital, but not far from the feeling of *home*.

Help create comfort for guest families.

Volunteer  
with us



## A Place to Belong

When Jeff arrived at The Doorways during his transplant journey, he was searching for a place to stay close to medical care. What he also found was a community.

Through transplant support groups, shared meals, and conversations with fellow guests, Jeff formed friendships and connections that continued long after his stay. As a pastor, he soon began volunteering to lead Sunday morning services for fellow guests, creating a space for encouragement and reflection during uncertain times.

Today, Jeff continues returning to The Doorways to volunteer and support guests navigating their own medical journeys.

“ You realize you're  
not alone here



Read how Jeff  
found community  
at The Doorways



Every stay at The Doorways carries a story. From guests and volunteers to staff and supporters, moments of comfort and connection shape the heart of The Doorways each day. Scan to read Holly's full quilt reflection and explore more stories from inside The Doorways.



## Stitched Together: Holly's Quilt



During her stays at The Doorways every three weeks, guest Holly created a quilted wall hanging inspired by the journeys, emotions, and connections shared within the house each day.

Through colorful stitched squares, hand-quilted footprints, and symbolic stars, the piece reflects the comfort, compassion, and community found at The Doorways during life's most difficult moments.

**“** Everyone here has one thing in common: illness. It doesn't matter what type or where you come from. **You are family.**

### Celebrating the people who help The Doorways feel like home



Our C.A.R.E. Champion initiative recognizes staff who go above and beyond for guests and one another, honoring the everyday moments of compassion and care that shape life at The Doorways. Have a nominee in mind? Scan to complete the form online!





612 East Marshall Street  
Richmond, VA 23219

### Help Support Guest Families



Scan to view our current guest wishlist and other needed items.

*"The Doorways was there for my family in our darkest hour."*

*Every day of the year, families arrive needing comfort, care, and a place to stay.*

As our fiscal year comes to a close on June 30, your support helps ensure The Doorways remains open and welcoming to every guest who walks through our doors.

- **Make** a gift online at [thedorways.org](http://thedorways.org)
- **Mail** a check to The Doorways Development Office at 612 E. Marshall Street, Richmond, VA 23219
- **Become** a recurring donor with a scheduled monthly gift to help ensure families have consistent support throughout the year
- **Donate** appreciated stocks or securities
- **Contribute** a qualified charitable distribution from an IRA if you are age 70½ or older
- **Give** through a donor-advised fund (DAF) - a flexible, tax-advantaged way to support The Doorways while planning long-term philanthropy.

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