For those patients who can't wait for the future

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THE BRUCE DENNISTON LEGACY

In 1987, RCMP Constable Bruce Denniston of Powell River, BC, was diagnosed with leukemia and told he needed a bone marrow transplant to survive. The Bruce Denniston Bone Marrow Society was formed to raise funds, and support the expansion of Canada’s bone marrow registry so that all patients could benefit.

A bone marrow donor was eventually found for Bruce, but in the advanced stages of his illness, he was unable to survive his transplant. His memory lives on in the work of the society bearing his name.

HOW WE HELP

Many organizations raise money for research into an eventual cure. The Bruce Denniston Society raises money for the patients who need help NOW. Every day, people young and old are diagnosed with bone marrow diseases. Adults are unable to care for their families. Children are taken from toys and playmates to hospitals and chemotherapy. Hundreds of Canadians are faced with the fact that a bone marrow transplant is their only hope for survival.

SUPPORT OF THE CANADIAN UNRELATED BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY

Since 1988, the Society has provided supplementary funding to the Canadian Unrelated Bone Marrow Donor Registry (UBMDR) to help match donors to patients needing bone marrow transplants. The money has been used for lab equipment, donor recruitment, and bone marrow typing, allowing the UBMDR to expand its life-saving work.