

October 15, 2021

Hope this newsletter finds everyone well!

I would like to thank you all for your continued support, prayers, cards, and phone calls! It means more to us than you know.

We have been enjoying the weather and trying to stay home unless Dad or Mom has a doctor's appointment. They are both doing good for the most part!

Over the past couple months, dad has had to have four different surgeries for some cancer that was found in his lower lymph nodes. On the last surgery, the doctor informed us that he couldn't remove all the cancer because it had grown deeper than he felt safe operating on and had moved into his lower abdomen.

From our appointments with the doctor and the data he has on this type of cancer, we know that it is very aggressive and can spread quickly. Through his research and biopsies, I was told that it could spread throughout his entire body within 6 months, which is not good. Last week upon the doctors' recommendations, Hospice is coming to see Dad once a week for now. As the cancer progresses, they will be here more and when needed.

With that being said, Dad is fine right now and has no side effects or problems from this issue. He rarely needs anything for pain, only Tylenol for now.

We are taking this day by day, and hopefully it won't spread any further and stays put. Dad is aware of the cancer in the lower abdomen, but we have chosen not to tell him about the 6-month timeline.

We are sorry for not informing anyone over the last few months, but Dad wanted to keep this private until we had a firm diagnosis.

Dad is doing great and very happy! He enjoys getting in his scooter and going outside when the weather is nice or going to town. He enjoys watching football on TV. He loves to see the cards many of you send and we have them sitting around his room. He prays for each of you daily. He also has a squirrel and bird feeder right outside his bedroom window and he loves watching them eat!

Thank you again for all your prayers and support. We ask that you continue to pray that the cancer won't spread, and that dad continues to have no pain.

If you would like updates or if you'd like to talk to Dad, please call my number #706-618-6171 anytime, or if you would like to visit him, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Shane Brindle and family