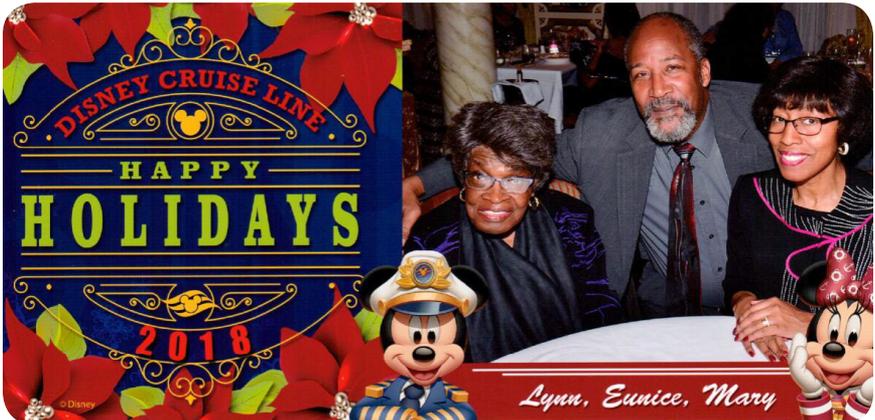


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The Randle/Boone Family

Eunice Boone never imagined that she would be caring for her 90-year-old mother, Mary, in her Indianapolis home. But 4 years ago, Eunice spent a week with Mary in a hotel in Dayton, Ohio while Mary was having repairs done on her home, and both of their lives changed. According to Eunice, nothing about Mary was what she had been led to believe. Mary would sleep for 20 hours a day. She seemed very frail and her eyes appeared hollow and lost. As Eunice said, "If she was going to see 91, I needed to move the needle 180 degrees!" Just like that, the decision was made and Mary came back to Indy to live with Eunice and her husband Lynn. Mary grew up in Alabama, where her education was cut short by working in the cotton fields. Mary moved north to Dayton Ohio where she and her husband Jim lived for more than 50 years and raised three children.

Although Eunice and Lynn welcomed Mary, Eunice admits that she didn't know where to start. "I had never cared for a 90-year-old parent before, but my mind went back to what I had always been told to do when things seemed hopeless. Take it to the Lord." By coincidence or God's grace, the next Sunday, Faith Presbyterian Church, where Eunice and Lynn attend, hosted a senior resource fair where several adult day centers, including Still Waters, were represented. Eunice did her research, visiting a number of centers, and eventually chose Still Waters. According to Eunice,



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“Still Waters quickly rose to the top because of customer service and follow up. They have always treated my mother with respect and helped me to navigate through this new world of caregiving,” she said.

Mary has now attended Still Waters for nearly 4 years. At 94, she is a social butterfly, loved by staff, volunteers, and her fellow guests alike. She loves to participate in art and looks forward to visits from the nursery school children. Despite never learning to drive, Mary really gets around. Last year, Mary, Eunice and Lynn took a Disney Cruise and had a wonderful time.



Mary and her family, 1957

Eunice has also become a part of the Still Waters family. Her employer, Liberty Mutual Insurance has a corporate matching



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program that complements the annual donations Eunice makes to Still Waters. And she and her fellow Liberty Mutual employees pitch in every May to volunteer at Still Waters during the Spring Flower Sale, where they unload, sort and arrange thousands of plants for pick up.

Eunice says that the lesson she learned from this experience is, “As you go through life’s ups and downs, things may not go as you had planned, but that’s okay. Just look for any bright spot, no matter how small, and smile while embracing your new adventure.”