

WE ARE ABOUT SUPPORT NOT STATISTICS

Our mission is to support and empower people impacted by brain tumors through outreach, awareness and acts of kindness.



the GRAY MATTERS foundation



FOUNDER & SURVIVOR

Lanette Veres founded The Gray Matters Foundation in 2007 after her own battle with a brain tumor. Lanette is a fighter, survivor, advocate and an inspiration to others.

WHY RESEARCH MATTERS

Brain Cancer is NOT a preventable cancer, which makes research and outreach more important than ever. We believe that building relationships with both the patients and the medical staff help fulfill our mission.

We support newly diagnosed patients and their families through education. We believe knowledge helps empower families to navigate the health care system. Having access to accurate and up-to-date information helps patients feel good about the choices they make for their care. We help with the difficult questions and conversations that may be necessary.

Above all, our goal is to spread hope and encouragement to keep fighting.

Learn more about us online at:
www.GrayMattersFoundation.org



OFFICIAL PATIENT SUPPORT PARTNER OF

Ivy Brain Tumor Center

AT THE BARROW NEUROLOGICAL INSTITUTE

SURVIVOR SUPPORT

The Gray Matters Foundation facilitates the monthly brain tumor support group at the Barrow Neurological Institute.

Lanette regularly visits hospitals to support patients pre/post-surgery. She supports and encourages patients and caregivers. She spreads hope and kindness by decorating patient rooms and answering questions. She tries to make a difference every day -- "If Only for One."

PUBLIC OUTREACH

Lanette attends and hosts booths at symposiums and other brain tumor awareness and education focused events. She participates in walks, fundraisers, speaks at conferences and has even lobbied in Washington D.C. for awareness and patient care.

CELEBRATING SURVIVAL

The Gray Matters Foundation hosts fundraisers whose goal is to bring the brain tumor community together to celebrate survivors and honor the memory of those that have been lost.

Lanette celebrates survival by sending special gifts and cards with words of encouragement, to bring smiles and happiness to people who are impacted by brain tumors --- her "Brain Buddies."

She likes to celebrate Brain Buddie "tumorversaries," as well as their birthdays and other fun holidays. #GMFBrainBuddies.

GET SOCIAL

The ongoing #TonguesAtTumors social media campaign is an effort to bring a little humor to an otherwise heavy situation. Just another way that Lanette spreads joy and awareness and gets the conversation started! Join the discussion!

