



Founding DFS members help celebrate a milestone of support



For Louise and Herbert “Herb” Shivek, volunteerism and philanthropy have always been important. Both grew up in families involved with charitable organizations and became active volunteers themselves. Louise’s volunteer connection to a small cancer charity in the 1970s led the Shiveks to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute—beginning their decades-long involvement as generous donors and committed volunteers.

The Shiveks then included Dana-Farber and the Jimmy Fund as a charitable beneficiary of their estate plans—and became founding members of the Dana-Farber Society (DFS), which is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year.

“The cancer experience touches every family and affects all ages and socio-economic groups,” Louise said. “If we are to succeed in our quest to conquer cancer, we have a collective responsibility to take action and work together.”

Louise was working with Aid for Cancer Research raising funds for cancer research when she met the late Sidney Farber, MD, founder of Dana-Farber, and the late Emil Frei III, MD, former Dana-Farber physician-in-chief, and was inspired by their visionary work and leadership.

She felt that what was being accomplished at Dana-Farber was so interesting and vital that she decided to volunteer here.

That decision led to Louise’s important role as a founder of the Friends of Dana-Farber, an all-volunteer organization raising funds for the Institute.

In 1990, the Shiveks joined other forward-thinking donors who had named Dana-Farber and the Jimmy Fund in their estate plans to create the Dana-Farber Society, to encourage and acknowledge planned giving donors. Beginning as a group of 90 people, the DFS has grown to include more than 850 dedicated members in a quarter-century.

In addition to their bequest gift, which will provide important future funding for Dana-Farber, the Shiveks have funded a patient interview room and also a lecture fund that brings an engaging speaker to the Institute annually to educate and inspire the next generation of oncologists.

Louise expressed great satisfaction with seeing, during her



Louise and Herb Shivek, founding members of DFS, have supported Dana-Farber for decades.

lifetime, how the Sidney Farber Cancer Center evolved to become Dana-Farber Cancer Institute: the superb hospital we know today.

The Shiveks’ bequest helps ensure Dana-Farber’s work will continue well into the future.

Help Dana-Farber save more lives and improve cancer survival statistics by making a bequest to fuel our lifesaving mission. It is as simple as placing the following language in your will: “I bequeath (a specific amount, a portion of your total or residual estate) to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Inc., 450 Brookline Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02215.”

If you would like more information on how to honor a loved one, physician, or nurse through a bequest to Dana-Farber, please contact Alice Tobin Zaff, Assistant Vice President, Gift Planning, at 800-535-5577 or alice_zaff@dfci.harvard.edu.

A message from Dana-Farber Society Co-Chairs Barbara and Jim Sadowsky

Dear Friends,

As Co-Chairs of the Dana-Farber Society, we have been so fortunate to witness what an incredible impact the Society has made on cancer research and care in 25 years.

The Dana-Farber Society, created to acknowledge the generosity of individuals who have named Dana-Farber and the Jimmy Fund as a beneficiary in their estate plans, has helped enable Dana-Farber to make extraordinary progress in the fight against cancer. But there is still work to be done.

Like so many of us, our lives have been greatly affected by cancer and we feel a strong commitment to do what we can to ensure current and future patients are given the best opportunity for survival. We are confident that the generosity of planned gifts to Dana-Farber will lessen the burden that cancer brings to so many families—for our grandchildren and for generations to come.

During this celebratory 25th anniversary year, we ask that you, our wonderful supporters, take a moment to consider joining the Dana-Farber Society if you haven't already. Whether you have been a patient at Dana-Farber or know a loved one who has walked through the doors of our clinics, you know what a special place Dana-Farber is and how vital its mission.

Through the combined generosity of our past, current, and future Dana-Farber Society members, we know that Dana-Farber will continue to make incredible strides in the mission to conquer cancer.

With gratitude,

Barbara L. Sadowsky *Jim Sadowsky*

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Dana-Farber Society Co-Chairs Barbara and Jim Sadowsky.

Bequest will fuel research, programs in son's memory

In 1981, after seven years of nearly constant chemotherapy, 14-year-old Michael Garil suffered another relapse of his acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL). His doctors in New York recommended an autologous bone marrow transplant performed at Dana-Farber by Stephen Sallan, MD, now Dana-Farber's chief of staff emeritus. The transplants had only been performed on a few children, but the Garil family traveled to Boston and the transplant cured Michael.

After Michael's experience and "dramatic reversal," his parents, Ethel and Bernard "Bernie" Garil, made a gift to Dana-Farber and began years of generous support, including a bequest in their estate plans.

Although Michael experienced numerous health problems related to his cancer treatment throughout his life and sadly passed away at 39, Ethel and Bernie are thankful for the time with their son after his bone marrow transplant. They are also appreciative of the compassionate care Dr. Sallan provided Michael, and the close bond he and their son formed.

"Michael's treatment at Dana-Farber gave him 25 years of additional life and we are grateful for that," Ethel said.

Over the years, the Garils' generosity has supported the Michael Garil Fund for Leukemia Research. They have also gone on to fund an endowed lectureship and internship program to encourage the next generation of physician-scientists. The Garils' bequest will support the Fund and the internship program to further research into the late effects of childhood cancer treatment and recognize



Ethel and Bernie Garil's bequest will advance Dana-Farber's work in memory of their son, Michael.

Dana-Farber's care.

"We feel that the Fund and internship program are important work to continue, and we would like to see that supported in the future," Bernie said.

The Garils' bequest was simple to set up and customized to their specific requests. For the Garils, it is a way to support an organization that's very important to them and recognize the work that Dana-Farber has done and will continue to do in Michael's memory.

"A planned gift is an opportunity to say, 'I care about Dana-Farber and it did great things for me and will continue to do so for others,'" Bernie added.

Bequests: Fast Facts

By establishing a bequest to Dana-Farber you can:

- Control assets until your death
- Designate a gift for cancer research and patient care through your will or trust
- Leave a larger gift than might otherwise be possible during your lifetime
- Establish a legacy that will make your family proud
- Enjoy membership in the Dana-Farber Society
- Make a profound difference in the lives of cancer patients and their families

Use your retirement or life insurance plan to conquer cancer

Help conquer cancer by naming Dana-Farber and the Jimmy Fund as a full or partial beneficiary of your retirement or life insurance plan.

Consider the benefits and flexibility of these tax-efficient gift options:

- You do not need an attorney to make these simple, convenient gifts
- You can choose to designate a percentage of your plan or a fixed dollar amount
- Your assets will transfer to Dana-Farber and the Jimmy Fund without being taxed, maximizing your future impact

Advance Dana-Farber's mission to conquer cancer

Establishing a Charitable Gift Annuity (CGA) is a great way to generate income for yourself and/or another beneficiary while fighting cancer at Dana-Farber.

CURRENT CGA RATES* **For Single Life Beneficiary*

Age	Annuity Rate	Annual	Income Tax Deduction
85	7.8%	\$780	\$5,582
80	6.8%	\$680	\$4,908
75	5.8%	\$580	\$4,426
70	5.1%	\$510	\$3,901
65	4.7%	\$470	\$3,231

* Based on a \$10,000 cash gift using the IRS Discount Rate of 2.0% for April 2015

What Sets Dana-Farber Apart

- Top-ranked cancer care center in New England by *U.S. News & World Report* for the 14th consecutive year in conjunction with Brigham and Women's Hospital
- Named #1 pediatric cancer hospital in the country by *U.S. News & World Report* in conjunction with Boston Children's Hospital
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If you have left a legacy for Dana-Farber and the Jimmy Fund, but have not yet let us know, please contact us so that we can include you in the June 4th celebration.

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Dana-Farber Cancer Institute has been given a **4-star rating**—the highest possible ranking—by Charity Navigator, America's largest independent evaluator of non-profit organizations, for our ongoing commitment to maintaining a low cost-of-funds-raised and being fiscally prudent.



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