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Subject: FW: Euthanasia

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To: Joint Select Committee on End of Life Choices <eolcc@parliament.wa.gov.au>

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Hi my name is Morag du Bois. I wish to advise you that I am strongly in favour of Euthanasia.

I lost my Mother on the 13th of April in 2004 after a long battle with Alzheimers. She was in a coma for about 10 days before she passed away, she was basically a vegetable. It was such a terribly traumatic experience on all the family.

I lost my Father on the 28th of November in 2016 with untreatable melanoma, although my Father was well taken care of in the RSL in Meadow Springs, it took nearly a week for him to pass, which so traumatic for the family. He was basically in a coma.

Then on February the 4th this year I lost my husband of 43 years to untreatable stomach cancer. He had a huge blockage in his stomach and could not eat, so he basically starved to death. It was the most heartbreaking experience for me, his kids and grandkids to go through. His main wish was to die at home. He also had asbestosis and for the last 2 months of his life he couldn't lay down as it was to much pressure on his lungs, so he sat up slumped over our pool table.

Silver Chain did all they could for him. The last two days of his life were horrific. He cursed at all of us demanding that we help him take his life. I cannot express enough what effect it has had on my family. He demanded that we give him a gun or a knife.

It's just not fair, I understand it's a very touchy subject, but when there is no hope of recovery we should all have the choice of Euthanasia.

I don't understand why the Government should dictate how a life should end in such terrible circumstances.

One thing I can say is that I don't feel there has been enough publicity about the subject, which is sad.

Yours Sincerely

Morag du Bois

Sent from my iPhone