

To everyone involved with making Camp Keepsake happen,

I wanted to thank you for inviting us to be a part of Camp again this year. I can't tell you how much that weekend last year and again this year meant to our family. My mom was diagnosed with lung cancer about two and a half years ago. Since undergoing treatment, my mom has not been herself. The weekend we spend at Camp is the most she does all year, the most she gets out of the house and the most memories she makes with her grandchildren. Because of Camp my kids relate Granny to their memories of archery, rock climbing, arts and crafts, making friends, etc. My mom doesn't like to do a whole lot so I'm always amazed at how much she looks forward to Camp and how excited she was when she found out we got to go again.

For my husband and I, it's spending that time as a family with my mom there. It's also the meaning we get out of Camp in being with other people who have gone through similar things that we are going through. The scroll ceremony each year and when we held each others hand on the last day this year are moments I will never forget and they have touched my heart. We keep our ashes in a special place and they are a treasure to our family. They represent so much to me and I not only think of my family when I see them but I picture all the faces of the people there.

We were so lucky last year to have had JoJo as our host. This year we had Holly and Ben~ and they were incredible!!! They were not only great as hosts but we enjoyed being with them and spending time with them. I loved every moment of being with them. We kind of got to adopt Aspen on as a host as well and I will never forget watching her and my daughter Abi play and become buddies. Aspen and Ben were so impressive in their character even at such a young age. I am so grateful to ALL the volunteers there. Everyone is so warm and so generous.

I can not thank you enough for all you have given to our family. This is my attempt to put it into words but words just can't express it....

Sincerely,



Katie B.