

OUR SPEAKERS



BABETTE CANACARI

Donor's Mother

Babette's 12-year-old daughter Brianna was in the ICU. When it became clear Brianna would not make it, Babette's husband shared an important conversation he had with her. Brianna asked him what the heart on his driver license meant. After

learning it represented a person's decision to be an organ, eye, and tissue donor, Brianna told her dad she would like to register when she was old enough. Knowing the comfort they received after having that conversation, Babette and her husband have been educating Coloradans about the importance of sharing your decision to register with your family.

EAMON LUJAN

Organ Recipient

Eamon was given a chance at life as a baby through a lifesaving gift – a new heart. Thanks to their donor's family for saying "yes" to organ and tissue donation, Eamon is now healthy, grown, and started college in the fall with a bright future ahead. Their donor also gave them an opportunity to embrace their individuality. Forever grateful, Eamon hopes to meet their donor's family one day.



MARY PARKER

Donor's Wife and Tissue Recipient

Mary and her late husband Eric shared a love of travel, running, hiking, and all things outdoors. After Eric passed away in May of 2020, he left behind a legacy of love and generosity through organ and tissue donation. He saved

and healed others – including Mary. In a very rare and beautiful gift, Mary became a recipient of Eric's patella tendon. "This is his way of giving me forever," said Mary.



LIVES
Transformed

**THE 2024 COLORADO
DONOR FAMILY TRIBUTE**



PROGRAM

The Donor Family Tribute honors and recognizes the families of those who have given the gift of organ and tissue donation to the thousands in need. Themed "Lives Transformed," this event enables reflection on those we have lost and offers hope for new life that comes as a result of organ, eye and tissue donation.

LIVES *Transformed*

Saturday, April 27, 2024

1:00pm - 3:30pm



MEMORY WALL

Place your decorated butterfly on the Memory Wall. If you did not create one, extras are available for you to craft a message about your loved one. You may take your butterfly with you at the close of the ceremony.

DONOR FAMILY QUILT PROJECT

Make sure to visit the quilts on display throughout the room. Individual squares were created by donor families in honor of their loved ones, who gave the gift of life.

Rocky Mountain Threads of Life

Quilts were assembled by volunteers Robin Mitchell and Joanna Patterson, whose lives have been touched by organ and tissue donation.

RECOGNITION CEREMONY

A special recognition and candle lighting tribute will take place during the ceremony.

When prompted, please light the floating candle at your table in your loved one's honor.

MUSIC

Front Range Strings

Directed by Tori Woodrow

WELCOME

Appetizers, Memory Wall
Decoration & Quilt Viewing

NIKI TITSWORTH

Director of Clinical Management

PROGRAM INTRODUCTION

JENNIFER PRINZ

President and CEO

MULTIMEDIA PRESENTATION

DONOR ALLIANCE STAFF

STAFF SPEAKER

KYLIE O'MALEY

Advanced Practice Surgical Specialist

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Director of Organ Procurement

STEVE MANSFIELD

Director of Tissue Services

MOMENT OF SILENCE

NIKI TITSWORTH

Director of Clinical Management

POEM READING & PARTING REMARKS

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