**Babette Canacari**

**Donor Mother**

**Denver, CO**

Babette Canacari and her husband Chris never second guessed the decision to honor the wishes of their youngest daughter, Brianna, when she said she wanted to help others if anything ever happened to her.

Brianna was 12-years-old when she died after four days in the ICU following a tragic, self-inflicted accident.

When The Canacari family was approached by Donor Alliance in the hospital, Chris recalled a conversation he had with her two years earlier when she noticed the heart on his driver's license. There, at the scene of a car accident she experienced with her father, a 10-year-old Brianna made the decision to donate her organs.

And now, though her life was cut tragically short, her parents take solace knowing that through her death, she gave life to at least three others with her organs and healed many more with her tissue.

One of the recipients was a 59-year-old woman who had been on the waiting list for a new liver for nine years. She received Brianna's liver in 2010 and now enjoys every minute of watching her grandchildren grow up.

"Our hope is that everyone thinks about this selfless gift to give, providing hope to other families," Babette said. "Although we have had to grieve the loss of our daughter, we are blessed and honored that she gave life to others."