Making a gift to cancer research or patient support services is a wonderful way to honor a loved one's memory. At the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center, we strive to make the process as easy as possible. Below are answers to some frequently asked questions about the donation process. If you have additional questions or would like to discuss your gift with a Cancer Center representative, please contact Chris Thomason at (205) 934-0930 or cthomason@uab.edu

If I make a gift in someone's memory, where will my money go?

Unless specified for patient support or a specific type of cancer research, your gift will become part of the Cancer Center's Fund for Excellence. The Fund for Excellence is used to meet the highest priority needs of the Cancer Center, including all types of cancer research and specialized patient care.

Can I direct my gift toward a specific area of cancer research or patient support?

Donations in someone's memory may be designated for a specific type of cancer research (breast, colon, etc.) or for Patient and Family Supportive Services. Often, the family of the deceased makes this decision and specifies it in the obituary: "In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to ovarian cancer research at the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center." Donors may specify the designation on their check or in a note accompanying the donation.

Will the family of the deceased be notified of my gift?

If you would like us to send the family of the deceased a letter notifying them of your gift, please provide their names and addresses when you send your donation. Alternately, the family may contact the Cancer Center at the number below and let us know who they would like to have notified when we receive gifts in their loved one's memory.

How do I make out the check?

Checks should be made to the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center. On the memo line, please note "In memory of (*person's name),*" as well as the gift's designation, if any.

Where do I mail my donation?

Please mail your donation to the following address:

UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center
Office of Development and Community Relations
NP 2505
1720 2nd Avenue South
Birmingham, AL 35294-3300

Can I donate online?

Click here to make a memorial gift online.

How can I get in touch with someone at the Comprehensive Cancer Center?

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