

How do we put a dollar figure on someone's life ?

Hi my name is Teresa Briggs and until three and a half years ago i had never heard of Brain Cancer,

Over the years there has been alot of media attention in regards to different cancers, eg Breast,Bowel, Lung, Blood just to name a few, that at different times are advertised on TV or in the papers asking people for donations and support for their cause.In my lifetime i have never heard of anything regarding Brain Cancer except the TV adds about the Brain Tumour Alliance Group, supporting people on their Brain Tumour journey !!! Until it happened to my family.

At the start of this journey we were thrown into a life that i didnt know even existed and i must admit at first all we were concerned about was making sure my husband Rick had a positive outcome. Three and a half years later we have learned so much more, how can Rick be fighting a disease that has such a low survival rate a disease that kills more children than any other disease and more people under 40 than any other cancer.

In the year 2017 how can this be happening ? How can the treatments used to treat this deadly disease not have had any real progress ? Why are the survival rates so low ?

The answer is research and for research to happen we need money and not just money donated through fundraising events, we need Governments to stand up and say we give a damn about all the people and their families going through this terrible journey. I say "terrible journey " but that doesn't even begin to explain what people with Brain Cancer go through and as a wife and mother to watch my husband and our children dealing with this disease there are no words until you have been here you would not want to even try and put yourself in our shoes.

Rick has had all the treatments available, surgery, radiation, chemotherapy (more chemotherapy)

Targeted therapys but at the end of the day we are now at the end of the road with nothing more to try.

Thats why we need Government funding into this deadly disease, we need our wonderful Research Teams to have the funding they need to make progress in the fight against Brain Cancer.

My only wish in life is to stop other families going through this, for one day to hear the words "we have a cure for Brain Cancer " I hope with all my heart that that day comes.

Kindest Regards
Mrs Teresa Briggs