



Etta smiles for the camera on a special volunteer work day to prepare her new home.



Old Trailer



New Trailer

Box fans provided little relief from the hot Oklahoma summer.

And the cold weather had a cruel way of creeping in through the bare floors and broken windows of Etta's home.

A home is meant to "shelter," to protect and shield from harm. But when it rained, the water would leak through the roof, permeate the walls, and swell the door frames. Her front door - a place of both welcome & protection - no longer opened or closed with ease. She had been trapped inside more than once.

But together, we changed that! Your support provided a habitable place for our friend.

With special donations totalling \$22,000+, you secured what was needed to find a used trailer in great condition, move it onto Etta's property, and provide basic maintenance/repairs to get it ready for use.

In August, just in time for her 76th birthday, we moved Etta into a home made to protect her from the weather for years to come.

We held an Open House & Ribbon Cutting for her on August 21st, complete with birthday cake, and surrounded by many of the people who had been dreaming of a better "home sweet home" for our friend. It was a joyous occasion and a great reminder of how God does some of His best work through community.

We can only imagine what she must've thought waking up for the first time in her new home and realizing it wasn't all just a dream! Because, for the first time in her life, she could look forward to the winter without wondering if she would have enough firewood to keep warm. Because your love and support took care of that for her.

Every couple years, Kind at Heart works toward a "Special Project" like this, inviting the community to provide for an existing client in a big way. Thank you for helping Etta!



KINGDOM LINE OF SIGHT

in Memory of
Dave Bellomy

Granny was a great shot with a Nerf gun . . . or so we've been told.

The Bellomy Family Nerf Wars became a tradition every time Dave's grandma came for a visit. She was a fierce competitor, too. Even in her 80's, she would get down on her hands and knees to take her target unaware.

To say she really knew how to lean into the moments given her would be an understatement. And to say that Dave had a special bond with his grandma would be as well. He would drive hours and hours to pick her up for a visit or simply to spend the day with her. The mile markers between Arkansas and Texas were never too many. Time together was precious, and he knew it.



Time is the greatest currency

"We are all made with an expiration date that's been rubbed off. When we are out of time, that's it. Loving our neighbor as ourself means sharing our lives with others."

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Keep the Kingdom end in mind

"As long as we have breath, God isn't finished with us. We are here for a reason, and the generations behind us and before us need what we have to offer."

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There's always time for prayer

"God invites us to be a part of what He's doing through prayer. The greatest impact we can have on another person doesn't always have to be spoken out loud."

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Dave Bellomy, former Kind at Heart Board Member, knew what it meant to love seniors.

After all, his nerf-gun battling Granny held a special place in his heart and took part in many family adventures. Dave passed away on September 21, 2021, and many assume it was Granny who was the first to meet him in heaven . . . with Nerf gun in hand.

Dave believed that **time is one of our greatest currencies as Christians.** We MUST be about the work of the Kingdom by loving each other and living out the purposes God has for us . . . regardless of age. It's a "get on your hands and knees with your target in focus" kind of work.

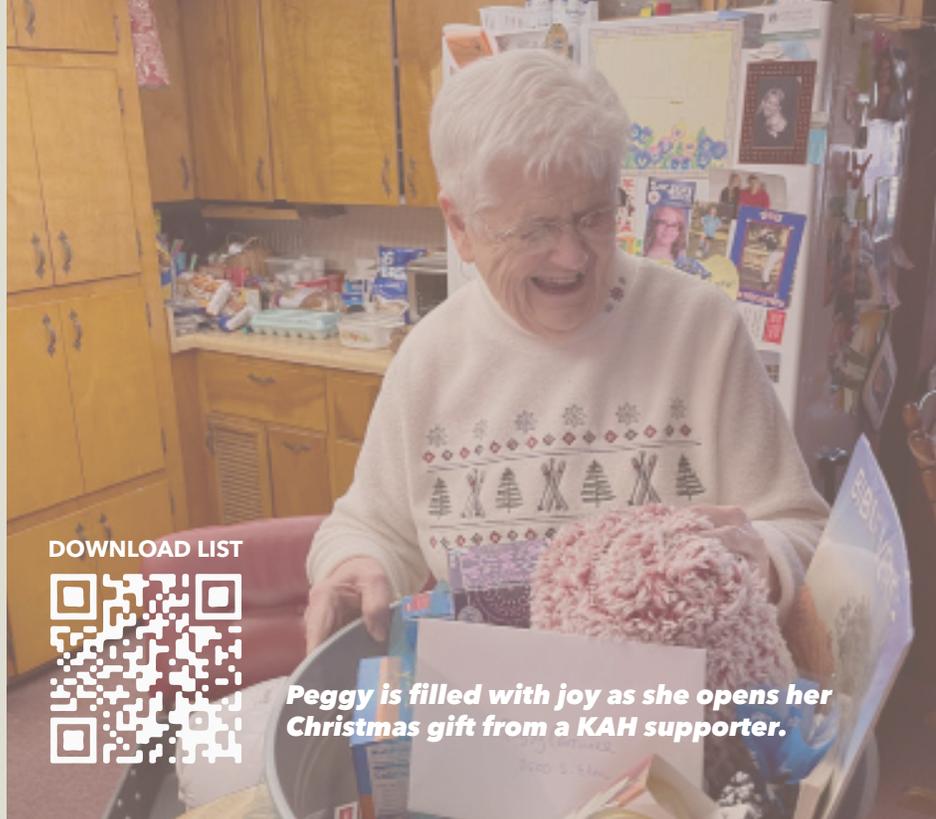
Let us consider a few **words of encouragement he shared with Kind at Heart seniors at the 2019 Honor Banquet (see above).** We are so thankful for the wisdom he poured out as a leader in our community. And believe us, he practiced what he preached; with regards to his Granny AND with others who were blessed to know him.



May God continue to be glorified through the work of our friend and brother in Christ. Dave Bellomy, your life was truly time well spent.

Adopt a Senior this Christmas

So many of our Kind at Heart friends spend the holidays alone, with very few (if any) gifts under the tree. Would you, your family, or friend group consider changing that story by sponsoring a senior (or two) this holiday season? It's easy! **Simply download an idea list from www.kindatheart.org/christmas**, start building your tote, and deliver to the Kind at Heart Office at 18561 Meadow View by **December 10th**. We will take care of the rest!



DOWNLOAD LIST



Peggy is filled with joy as she opens her Christmas gift from a KAH supporter.



Outreach Church Meets the Needs of Three Local Seniors

Members from Outreach Center Church worshipped with their hands this Fall.

This group of 20 volunteers showed up eager to serve and split into three teams, serving seniors in both Oklahoma and Arkansas.

With their help, Darlene got a new ramp, Martha's decks got a preserving coat of stain, and Etta's trailer was readied for the winter with new skirting and yard cleanup.

Thank you, Outreach friends, for showing up on a Saturday and completing in one day what it might've taken one person to complete in weeks. You are a great example of the body of Christ working together for the good of the Kingdom.

Do you have a group of team that'd be interested in volunteering on a Kind at Heart project? Give us a call at (479) 373-6281 or email us at servant@kindatheart.org.





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