Fast Facts

- Anyone has the potential to be a donor regardless of age, ethnicity, or medical history.
- Most major religions in the United States support organ, eye and tissue donation, and see it as the final act of love and generosity toward others.
- If you are sick or injured and admitted to the hospital, the number one priority is to save your life.
- People on the waiting list for an organ are categorized by the severity of illness, time spent waiting, blood type, and other important medical information, not financial or celebrity status.
- An open casket funeral is possible for organ, eye and tissue donors. Through the entire donation process, the body is treated with care, respect and dignity.
- There is no cost to the donor or their family for organ, eye or tissue donation.
- One organ donor can save up to eight lives and heal the lives of many more through tissue and eye donation.