



# THE STRENGTH OF OUR PEOPLE

## The Missing Teddy Bear

I received a call asking us to watch for a Teddy Bear in the laundry.

We found it, and I decided to hand deliver it on my way home from work.

"Is this your Teddy Bear," I asked the woman when I reached her bedside. She didn't reply but tearfully rubbed a picture of two beautiful children.

Later, I discovered the woman had cancer, and did not want her children to see her in the final stages. Her family had given her the Teddy Bear so that she wouldn't die alone.

I will always be grateful that I took the extra step.

*Hospital Laundry Worker*

