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My husband spent over three years in our = nursing home from October 1917 until he died

there February 4, = 2021. I spent a lot of time with him and the others there=E2=80=94other = patients

with family and the care staff. I observed very = appropriate care by the nurses and aides.

They knew just what to = do on every occasion and supervisory staff went out of their = to

find appropriate equipment to allow Bob to stand and walk. He = suffered from Lewy Body

dementia with a constant loss of a = sense of balance. He fell frequently but without

major = fractures or injuries. He was seldom alone, having an aide or = myself present

when he napped. He often slept = in the living room on a mat where staff could keep

an eye on him. = He was truly well cared for. Staff also worked well with = others to pass

on observations and to keep up constant = supervision of him.

Had the staff been burdened with additional = paperwork I don=E2=80=99t think they could have

managed such = constant care for him. Staff also helped families understand the = changes

patients likely make and what interventions help. On the = whole, I felt that that this unit

really worked as a team to = provide exceptional care. Please do not saddle them = with

additional paperwork that would take them away from very = effective care.,

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