**Episode 18: Nursing Home Neglect**

***Description:***

This week we share the story of Lydia and Earl Scherrer starting in 1996. When Earl wakes up from a coma after a car accident-induced traumatic brain injury, Lydia takes on the role of being his full-time caregiver until the strain of her career forces Lydia to put him in an assisted living facility. However, when Earl dies in her arms after vomiting up black substances, Lydia comes to the realization that nursing home neglect is just skimming the surface of a far bigger problem.

***Photos:***



***Lydia Scherrer's attorney, Craig Knapp, a partner in Knapp & Roberts in Scottsdale, Arizona.***



***Part of Liberty Manor Residency in Phoenix, Arizona, the assisted living facility Earl Scherrer was residing at.***

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***Disease of the Week:***

National Ovarian Cancer Coalition

<https://ovarian.org>

Mayo Clinic

<https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/ovarian-cancer/symptoms-causes/syc-20375941>

American Cancer Society

<https://www.cancer.org/cancer/ovarian-cancer/detection-diagnosis-staging/signs-and-symptoms.html>