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The Life and Legacy of Greg Alexander

DONNA PETERSON: --I'll share one last story with you because it was just so funny at my house. You know the girls were brought up in this environment where we were always entertaining interesting people. We traveled a lot. He worked constantly. And some of the comments that you heard here of folks that continued to work with him while he was ill that's what kept him going. He would get up in the morning, when he did get up, and go right to the computer and I'd come home and he'd be on the phone and he'd be thinking and working and it's really what mattered most to him.

So when--on a kind of strange night in October my older daughter had decided to skip the homecoming dance. She hadn't felt well. She was upstairs working on a history project. My younger daughter was downstairs working on a science project. This is what he would have wanted them to do.

The phone rang, it was about 9:45, and they said to my daughter, our older daughter, "how quickly can you get down to the Hyatt Regency?" And she said, "Well I don't know, about 10 minutes, why?" They said, "You've been selected homecoming queen."

And when she came home with her tiara and she was waving, she said, “you know what, dad would have loved this,” because it was so out of character. And he would have loved it and I’m sure he was proud. He really did care so much about not only the work but all of us. He really cared about all of us. So thank you for sharing this time with us this morning. We appreciate it very much. Thank you.