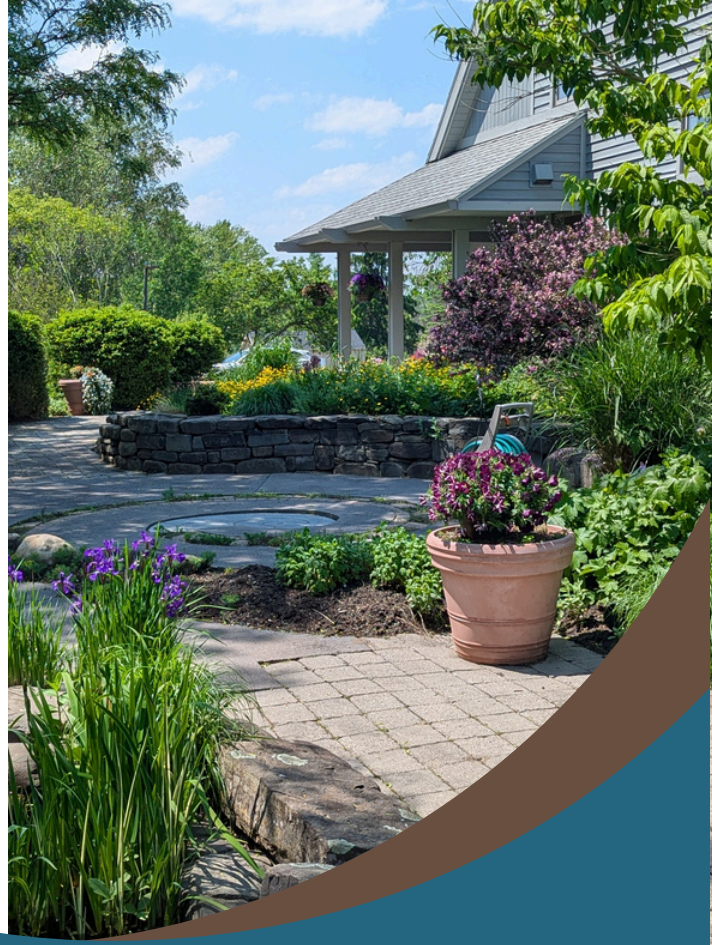


“The residence was a blessing for my entire family. My mom loved it there. She was treated respectfully even when she couldn’t speak. They dressed her the way she wanted to be dressed. They honored her wishes even when she could no longer say what they were.”
-Cathy Mooney

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A Peaceful Place for End-of-Life Care

Choosing where to spend life's final chapter is deeply personal. Some people want to be at home. Others find comfort in a dedicated space designed to meet their needs during this time, a place where expert care is always present and family can focus on being together.

The Hospicare residence offers a peaceful, home-like setting where your loved one receives 24-hour expert care in a beautiful environment, surrounded by gardens and caring people.

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The Nina K. Miller Hospicare Residence

Care and Compassion Around the Clock

Proudly serving Cortland and Tompkins Counties

A Place That Feels Like Home

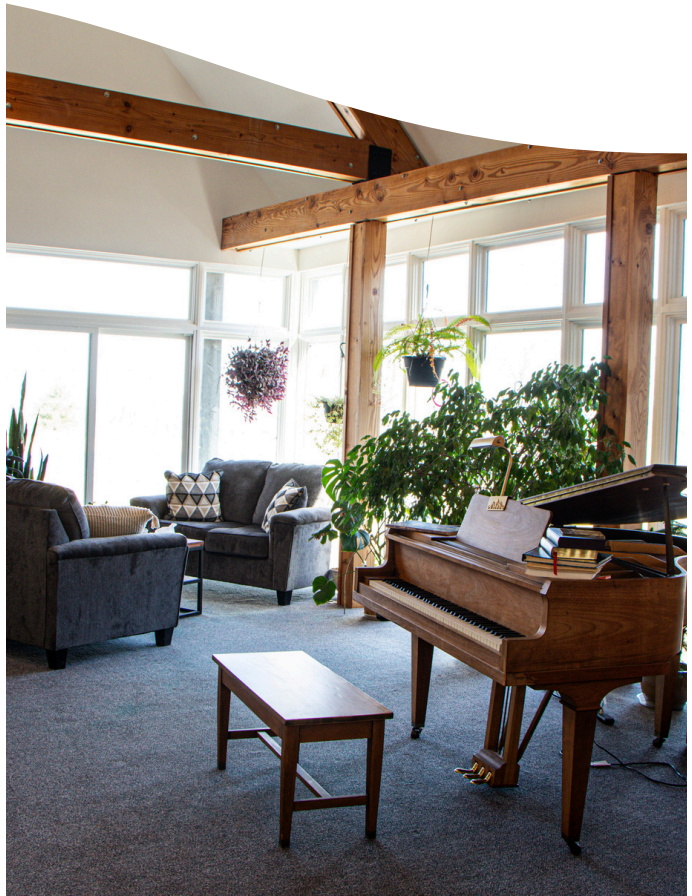
Your loved one will have:

- A private room with patio or balcony overlooking gardens and a pond
- Personal belongings from home, like a favorite chair, photos, or other meaningful items
- Care tailored to their wishes, from breakfast preferences to fresh flowers

You and your family will have:

- 24/7 visiting— there are no set visiting hours to limit your time with loved ones
- Space to gather for meals or simply be together
- The option to stay overnight
- Peace of mind with expert care always present

Children, grandchildren, and pets (brief visits, please) are welcome.



Around-the-Clock Expert Care

Two staff members care for no more than six residents at a time. A nurse and a certified home health aide are always on staff.

This means:

- Unhurried, personal attention
- Skilled experts in comfort-focused care
- Support from social workers, spiritual care coordinators, and volunteers
- Continued care from their own physician

Our volunteers provide daily companionship—preparing meals, reading aloud, and visiting with Cornell Companion pets.



The Nina K. Miller Hospicare residence, sitting atop South Hill in Ithaca, was New York State's first stand-alone hospice residence, offering private rooms in a beautiful setting on eleven acres.

Amenities:

- Private rooms with semi-private bathrooms, balconies or patios
- Walk-in shower and whirlpool tub
- Cable TV and WiFi throughout
- Common gathering spaces
- A quiet room for reflection

The primary goal of our staff and volunteers is to make patients—and their family and friends—as comfortable as possible. We address physical comfort, including relief from pain, as well as social, emotional, and spiritual well-being.

What You're Probably Wondering

Can we afford this?

Most families pay privately, though some insurance provides coverage. Medicaid covers those who qualify, and we offer a sliding-scale fee for others. No one is turned away due to inability to pay.

Can we bring in meals or celebrate together?

Your family is welcome to bring in food and gather for meals and celebrations. Alcohol is permitted. We can accommodate overnight stays when family members want to be close.

Will this feel institutional?

The residence sits on eleven acres with extensive gardens, a pond, and panoramic views. You'll find original artwork, comfortable furnishings, and bird feeders on the porch. It feels like a home, not a healthcare facility.

Who chooses the residence?

Some families choose it for the 24-hour expert care. Others are drawn to the peaceful surroundings or supportive community. There's no single reason; it's simply an option that feels right for their situation.

Is hospice giving up?

Hospice is about living as fully and comfortably as possible. It's not about giving up; it's about receiving the right care at the right time.