



Join us in helping our friend and neighbor

Sharon Smithson

In her fight against lung cancer.

Sharon is Robby Bookout's step mom.

She recently changed jobs and ended up without health insurance during the transition and isn't eligible for Medicare yet.

“Rodger’s Marina”

All day Saturday

July 11, 2009

*** Events of the day ***

*** MC Poker Run starting at 10 AM ***

*** BBQ Chicken Plates only \$7.00 ***
Eat here or take out

*** Live Auction at 4:30 PM ***

*** 50/50 ticket drawing at 5:30 ***

**For more information or to donate call:
Robby or Lori Bookout at 987-0432**

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Benefit for Sharon Smithson

Sharon was diagnosed in April with lung cancer. Sharon recently changed jobs and ended up without insurance during the transition. Sharon is six months from being eligible for Medicare so she currently has no health coverage at all. Presently she is undergoing pulmonary therapy to strengthen her lungs before she has surgery. Once her lung capacity is at needed strength they plan on removing three quarters of her lung. After the surgery is done they plan on having her also go through chemo therapy. She is currently working reduced hours at her job and some from home but will be off a minimum of six weeks after surgery plus time spent during chemo. Sharon spent a week in the hospital while they diagnosed the extent of her cancer and developed a treatment plan so as you can imagine her doctor bills are really piling up. The last I heard she owed over \$50,000 and has not even had surgery or started chemo therapy yet, not to mention the ongoing doctor visits and prescription costs.

The owners and customers of Rodgers Marina on Lake Bistineau, along with many of Sharon's friends, will be hosting a benefit to raise funds to help her with her medical costs and daily living expenses while she is unable to work. She hopes to return to work when her treatments are completed. In the meantime, she will have no income but still has many expenses.

I am asking for any type of donation for an auction to be held during the benefit. Anything and everything is welcome - nothing is too big or too small. If you would like to make a monetary donation instead, that is fine too. If a donation at this time is not possible, we understand.

We will attempt to make arrangements to pickup any donations you may have for the auction. I can be reached at the phone number at the bottom of this letter.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter; I am attaching a copy of the flyer used to advertise the benefit. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Please keep Sharon in your prayers as; she has a very long road ahead of her.

Sincerely,

Robby Bookout

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