The world is shaped by two things... stories told and the memories they leave behind.

– Vera Nazarian
Life Recorded is a program that offers individuals an opportunity to remember, reminisce, record and preserve the stories of their lives. Participants will have the choice to either have their story audio taped or videotaped.

Why
Everyone has a story to share and Roswell Park Cancer Institute’s Life Recorded program offers the opportunity to remember, celebrate and record the lives of loved ones for generations to come.

Who
This opportunity is for anyone and everyone; patients, families, volunteers and staff of Roswell Park Cancer Institute.

Where and When
It is simple, quick and easy to do. Come to the Chapel at Roswell Park on the 1st floor, or record the conversation in the privacy of the patient’s room, staff workspace, or somewhere else at a mutually convenient time.

What
A month after your Life Recorded Interview you will receive an electronic delivery of the recording and upon request a CD or thumb drive of your video recording can also be sent to you.

How
It is easy! To learn more, visit roswellpark.org and search for “Life Recorded” or call RPCI’s Pastoral Care Department at 716-845-8051.

Great Story Telling Questions
These questions are merely suggestions for getting your story going. We encourage you to use the ones you like or come up with your own. See enclosed brochure for other questions you may want to consider talking about.

- When and where were you born?
- What was it like?
- Who were your parents?
- Did you have a nickname?
- Who were your best friends?
- How would you describe a perfect day when you were young?
- Did you have any favorite relatives?
- Do you have any favorite stories from school?
- What are the classic family stories? Jokes? Songs?
- When did you first fall in love?
- Can you describe the moment when you saw your child for the first time?
- Do you have any favorite stories you like to tell about your kids?
- Tell me about how you got into your line of work?
- What lessons has your life taught you?
- Do you believe in God?
- What have you learned from life?
- Were you in the military?
- How did war change you?
- What are you most proud of?
- Is there anything that you’ve never told me but want to tell me now?