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My husband was in shock I think, . . . he really didn't know what to do, I mean he was there and . . . he babied me a lot and . . . talked to me a lot, and . . . didn't leave me alone or . . . when I felt like being alone, he would give me that space . . . He took more of . . . [the] stress, he took the burdens that I normally would have dealt with; the everyday household things, . . . he'd make sure the groceries were taken care of, the bills were taken care of, the

kids were taken care of, so you know that I could concentrate on myself and made sure that all arrangements were all made . . . for me in the process of having to do my travel [for treatment] and that sort of thing. And contacting the insurance company, that was very helpful because when you're going . . . being diagnosed with cancer I found that there were so many things that needed to be done and it was very difficult to do those things myself . . . it was real helpful to have my husband there for that.

Children

At the time that I was diagnosed as having cancer . . . , I was upset, my family was upset you know but . . . , my family my oldest daughter . . . , stayed with me and she took care of my youngest daughter while I was taking radiation and they . . . , kept in close telephone contact with my [mom] out in California and my [brother] out in Seattle . . . I think . . . , my oldest daughter is the one that really helped out. She stuck right beside me all . . . the way.



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