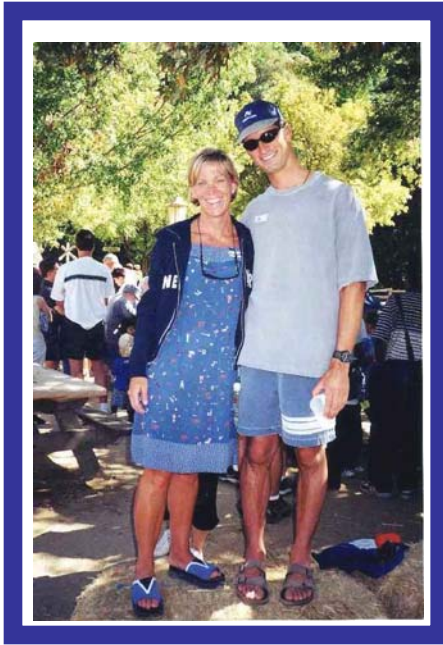


Friends for Eric



Eric Valor had just turned 36 when he was diagnosed with ALS (amyotrophic lateral sclerosis or Lou Gehrig's disease). Before this time, he was an avid surfer, snowboarder and scuba diver. The continued advances of ALS lead to his early retirement by February 2008.

In July of 2008, Eric suffered a pulmonary event that required a tracheotomy and the permanent use of a ventilator. By then he had also lost his ability to eat and was fed through a tube to his stomach.

Eric now requires 24/7 ventilation monitoring and care. He is completely dependent on a team of health caregivers, his wife Claire, and local family members, all of whom are specifically trained for ALS patient care and ventilation management.

Unfortunately, insurance does not extend benefit coverage for paid caregivers and funds are consistently needed to help maintain Eric's quality of life.

How can you help

We are asking you to open your heart by supporting the Eric Valor Care Fund. Your contributions will go directly to defraying the costs of his care:

- One 10 hour shift of night care \$200 (\$20 per hour)
- One 12 hour shift of day care \$276 (\$23 per hour)
- One full week of home health care \$2780

You can make a donation or an ongoing pledge either by check made payable to 'Eric Valor Care Fund', mailed to Joan Valor, 445 Townsend Dr., Aptos, CA 95003 OR via Paypal at our website, <http://www.Friends4Eric.org>.

Learn more about Eric, his family and his caregivers at <http://www.Friends4Eric.org> and feel free to contact him at ericv@cruzio.com.

Thank you for opening your heart and considering a donation—we appreciate your thoughtfulness and generosity. *The Valor-Butler Family*