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I am writing my submission in regards to dying with dignity.

My sister is age 66 and she has been in a nursing home for the past 2 years, she has Parkinson's and she has been bed ridden for approximately 10 months. She has had bed sores and has to be constantly moved and rolled regularly.

There is no cure for Parkinson and we have watched her basically turned into a skeleton and bed ridden. She has no quality of life what so ever. She lies in a bed all day 24 hours a day 7 days a week. She moans and eats very little, they are keeping her alive with Sustagen milk.

She can not get out of bed, she can not go to the toilet, she can not enjoy a day in the sun, she can not eat by herself, she can not speak, she is lying in a bed waiting to die.

Please let people die with dignity, you would not do this to your pets yet we are expected to stand by and watch this happen to our family members, my sister I have to watch waste away to nothing, she is left to slowly die and all her family also have to go through the rest of their lives watching her slowly die, what sort of effect do you think this is having on her sisters, brother, daughters and grandchildren.

If you are of religious belief then you have the choice not to proceed but if you are not of religious belief then you and your family should have the right to make the choice, Religion should not come into this choice!! The choice should be of the patient and their family.

Legalise the right to die!!!

Regards

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