

My daughter made a thorough investigation of daycare centers in Naples and recommended that my husband and I visit Ardent Manor. I immediately agreed with her assessment that it offered everything we needed.

Helen Waite, its outstanding director, and all her staff are skilled, involved and – best of all – genuinely warm and caring. I loved the very pretty 'house', admired the range of activities and the effort made by the staff to involve everyone in them.

Although kindness and safety were my most important criteria, they offered other benefits: Ardent Manor provides a hot luncheon and frequent snacks, has a nurse who administers medicines on time, is open long hours that met our needs, and (as a case manager told me) is the 'best healthcare value in Naples.'

I reluctantly agreed to daycare because I, so desperately needed time away from my gentle husband who suffered from a Parkinson's dementia. As it turned out, it was a splendid opportunity for him. He was bored at home and prone to get into mischief or leave our home if I turned my attention away from him. Ardent Manor allowed him to engage with others in a cheerful, safe environment where he was treated with dignity and respect.

Ms. Waite and Ardent Manor was a wonderful gift in our lives. I regret I did not find them sooner.

Ms. Waite has my permission to give my phone number to anyone who would like to speak to me personally about the wonderful gift to me (and to my husband) of having Ardent Manor in our lives. I so wish I had found them earlier.

With great affection, Jeanne