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aging parent that needs a home to go and visit. Be prepared for something the world needs more of — old fashioned, tender care.

With heart felt thanks,  
Karen Hall and Family

Watching television, listening to the news, reading the newspaper — we can get the feeling that the world is going sour on us, that good is outweighed by bad. My family and I have just had an experience that helps us know good people are, indeed, among us and doing good things. Recently my mother, Arlene Berry, passed away. The last place she called home was Mesa Vista Assisted Living in Parachute. My brother and I were able to relax and not worry about her well being while she lived at Mesa Vista.

The directors and staff at Mesa Vista treated my aging, sometimes cranky (OK, sometimes very cranky) mother with respect. She was able to keep her dignity during a time that was very hard for her, during a time when she was losing control of most things in her life. It took a little time, but they won her over and she felt peace in the last home she had. When her time came to move along, the staff treated my family with the same kindness they had shown my mother.

It is beyond refreshing to have experienced the joy, love, concern, and care given by the people who work at Mesa Vista Assisted Living. I highly encourage anyone who has an