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Shirley Bloodworth:

If you walk into a nursing home and you say, "don't let this happen to me." When you see all these people sitting around in wheelchairs and screaming and doing nothing, you've made your first advanced directive statement.

Shirley Bloodworth:

My name is Shirley Bloodworth. I'm in Gainesville, Florida. I retired from hospice after 11 years. I was part of the community coalition to try to educate the community on end of life issues. At that time, there were no teaching materials. I met with the committee and we developed an advanced directive kit, and then we did teaching seminars around the county. Shannon Miller helped me in promoting the idea that people should make plans for their life care and what's important to them. She was interested in life care planning and people actually documenting their wills, their healthcare surrogate documentation. She's been very instrumental on the state level getting some laws passed and help protect elders from abuse. I have done all my personal documentation at her firm and found all of the people working there very congenial. Shannon would be my go to person for any kind of elder problem, be it financial or making out wills and getting documentation for advanced planning. She is really, really top of the mark there.