

Submission into the Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021

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My mum passed away on the 9th June 2021. She had cancer and the tumour robbed her of her face. After finding her on her bathroom floor she was taken to hospital. She had signed no intervention no resuscitation after watching my brother die of the same cancer 3 years earlier that robbed him of his face also. My mum was here 10 days with no fluid as she requested. The tumour continued to grow over the whole middle of her face while rotting and turning black and melting. My grandchildren and children as well as my siblings children and grandchildren stayed around the clock with her. The smell of death is something that should never be smelt by anyone. My mum would never have imagined she would last those 10 days and for us all to see what we did. To see her be rolled, catheters, pain pump, hallucinations is something that broke our hearts. We watched mum turn skeletal. She did not deserve that. My mum is a warrior. I had never believed in euthanasia until I watched what I did. I have kept all photos to see what we did. I want to advocate on behalf of my mum and brother. I want to be heard. Animals are put down but we are forced to watch the most beautiful people we love die in such a cruel and inhumane way. This is so wrong. I will stand and fight with you. I will share my photos. Let people see my gorgeous mother at the end and tell me people won't support this cause. Thank you.