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### CANCER COLONOSCOPY PROCEDURE CRITICAL IN SAVING LIVES

*I am an 82-year-old male and I have always been in good health. I had my first colonoscopy in June and I found out that I had fourth stage colon cancer. I had surgery in July and I might have to go through chemo. I am writing this letter to urge everyone to check with their doctor and get a screening it is the most important thing that you will ever do. The reason that I got through my surgery is with the help of the good Lord and my wife of 55 years and all of the prayers from my family and friends.*

*If this letter helps one person then my prayers will be answered. I would also like to thank Dr. Andrew Pearson, Dr. Lane Morris, and Dr. Mark Pelstring, and all of the staff at Grand Strand Regional Medical Center for taking good care of me while I was in the hospital.*

*- Patrick Steele, Little River*

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