



## Friends of Children in Therapy

3105 N. Wilke Road, Suite H  
Arlington Heights, IL 60004  
847-604-0447; 847-255-8690

*I/We would like the following leaf or branch added to  
The Robin Gavin Memorial Giving Tree and have  
enclosed a contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_.*

- ( ) Green \$50 - \$99
- ( ) Copper \$100 - \$249
- ( ) Red \$250 - \$499
- ( ) Silver \$500 - \$749
- ( ) Gold \$750 - \$999
- ( ) Branch \$1,000+

*Please engrave the leaf/branch as follows:*

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*If more than one leaf or branch, please write message to  
be engraved and leaf color/branch on a separate sheet.*

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*I/We do not wish a leaf but would like to support the  
education programs with a gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_.*

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Your Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_

*Please notify the following of this gift:*

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_



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# The Robin Gavin Memorial Giving Tree



*Dedicated May 23, 2002*

*to the memory of*

*Robin Gavin*

*October 18, 1951 - August 29, 2000*

*"...To know even one life has breathed  
easier because you have lived —  
This is to have succeeded."*

*—Emerson*

## *Dedicated, Kind, Caring, Committed, Devoted, Giving...*

These are just a few of the words used to describe Robin Gavin by the families she served and by all who knew her. On a wall in her office was a cross-stitched sampler that so perfectly captured her heart:

*"My day is complete.  
I heard a child laugh."  
- source unknown*

Robin truly loved all the children and families, and providing the best possible opportunities, education and care for the special needs population was her mission. Everything she did was done with warmth and a generous spirit.

Robin joined Arlington Pediatric Therapy Management Services in 1994 as the director of developmental education. In less than six years, she grew the program from one person serving five families to five people serving over 100 families. Today, hundreds of families have been served and the number and programs continue to grow.



## *Robin's Legacy*

So many lives have been – and will be – touched directly or indirectly. Today the number of families served by the education department continues to grow. Some of the programs designed or developed by Robin and conducted at Arlington Pediatric Therapy are:

- \* Baby Boosters
- \* Early Childhood STEP (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting)
- \* Infant Massage
- \* Tootsie Rollers
- \* Numerous support programs covering a multitude of topics

Robin was an advocate of support groups for families and providing education opportunities for them as well as for healthcare professionals. To that end, she helped organize workshops, and in recognition of this significant contribution, Friends of Children in Therapy established the "Robin Gavin Symposium for Parents and Professionals" and other "Robin Gavin Workshops."

Contact the education department at 847-255-8690 for a current schedule of offerings.

## *Robin's History*

Children had always been a focus of Robin's life. Prior to joining Arlington Pediatric Therapy, Robin co-founded Children's Heart Services and volunteered for the Chicago Heart Association, often speaking at the annual symposium. She had also been a 3rd grade teacher in Palatine and received her master's degree in early childhood intervention. In every aspect, Robin participated in our community and with our children.

## *Robin's Tree*



Friends of Children in Therapy (FOCIT) has established The Robin Gavin Memorial Giving Tree and The Robin Gavin Memorial Fund as a tribute to Robin and her work.

You are invited to participate in continuing Robin's mission through a contribution to FOCIT for this fund. In recognition of your partnership and generosity at the \$50 and above level, a 1"x3" plate will be engraved with your message. This could be to honor someone, to celebrate a special occasion, as a memorial, or whatever you designate. The plate will then be affixed to an oval-shaped wood "leaf" and added to the beautifully handcrafted wood Giving Tree mounted on a wall in Arlington Pediatric Therapy's education wing. Our goal is to have hundreds of leaves...every life that Robin touched can help to touch another.



## *Friends of Children in Therapy*

FOCIT is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing support for therapeutic services and educational programs for children with special needs and their families.