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It was approximately 4 1/2 years ago that my mum ([REDACTED]) was diagnosed with dementia.

For the first two years of my mum been diagnosed, me and my step dad looked after her, he would have mum all week, I had mum at the weekend to give him a break.

It wasn't too bad to start with as her dementia wasn't too server, slowly as the days went on my mum got worse, we had to do things like help her to stand up and walk, help her up and down the stairs, cut her food up, try to bath her (getting her in and out of the bath), clean her up after accidents (not making it to the toilet in time) which happened quite a lot, basically not been able to leave her on her own, reason for this possible may harm herself by falling, try going up stairs not making it an falling back down, trying to make a cup of tea an scold herself, going out of the door and thinking she could go to the shops on her own(nearly getting knocked down by cars).

As the months went on mum kept getting worse, it was taking a lot of time and hard work to look after mum, she didn't sleep at night which meant my step dad didn't get sleep either, that is why I took my mum at weekends, it got to the stage where I was going on a morning to help get mum up and give her breakfast, while I was doing this my step dad would get ready an go to the shops while I looked after my mum, when he came back I would then go and do a full day's work, after work I would go back to my mums and help give her tea and get her ready for bed (even though mum didn't sleep much), then I would go home and sort things out at my own house, this all went on for approximately another 6 month.

At this stage we were both at our wits end, so unfortunately we had to make the decision to put my mum in a residential care home, we looked into this with a great lot of care to make sure we found one that would be suitable for all my mums needs, eventually we managed to get mum a place at The Green Residential Care Home.

Since my mum has been in the care home, unfortunately she is getting worse, the staff and careers that look after mum make her time in there as happy as possible.

I think if and when the home closes it will be a terrible up evil for her an she might find it really hard to re adjust to the new environment as for any of the resident that live there. Depending where they decide to put mum, my step dad will find it hard to get there as he has a mobility scooter to get about on, if it is too far away he will not be able to go every day like he does now, so that would mean getting taxis there and back which is more expense

Kind regards

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