ARE YOU A CARER?

2.6 million Australians are carers.

After surgery for a brain tumor and extensive chemotherapy, James and Bronwyn made a decision to enjoy their remaining time together at home. Bronwyn took leave from her job, and became James’ full-time carer.

When Margaret started to lose her memory, John increasingly took over her role in the home. As time passed, John was spending most of his day looking after Margaret, and needed to give up his regular tennis, golf and get-togethers with friends.

During the radiation therapy, Lorraine was very lethargic and tired. Her daughter, Christine, just wanted to cuddle up to her and cry but knew she needed to be strong. Christine found that, with help, she could maintain her school work and support her mother.

People in caring situations face many different issues.

CareSearch provides information and resources for people who are caring for someone with a life-limiting illness, such as dementia.

CareSearch provides information on financial assistance, practical help, emotional support, young people providing care, and a range of other everyday issues.

If you care for someone who has a serious illness, visit www.caresearch.com.au.