



The Last Portrait

Reflections at the End of Life

Every person has a unique story, shaped by life's challenges and accomplishments. The end of life is just another chapter — our final challenge — and it provokes an equally unique response.

The Last Portrait is a photographic exploration by Mark Diorio into the remaining days of the narrative. It features portraits of Oneida, Herkimer and eastern Madison County residents who were on hospice care from 2014 through 2021.

The exhibition is inspired by a celebration of existence, even in its closing stages. It attempts to capture the essence of individuals as they and their families reflect on their lives and respond to their feelings about death in their own distinctive ways. The project also offered families one more opportunity to be photographed with their loved ones.

The Last Portrait will be held from March 7 to April 11, 2023, at the Donald G. Butcher Library at SUNY Morrisville, 80 Eaton Street, Morrisville, NY. An opening reception will be held on March 7, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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