

## Alzheimer Patient Tip #4

### Ten Requests of the Alzheimer's Patient

1. Please be patient with me. Remember that I have an organic brain disease for which I have no control.
2. Talk to me. Even though I cannot always answer you, I can hear your voice and sometimes comprehend your words.
3. Be kind to me. For each day of my life is a long desperate struggle. Your kindness may be the most special and important event of my day.
4. Consider my feelings for they are still very much alive within me.
5. Treat me with dignity and respect as I would have gladly treated you.
6. Remember my past for I was once a healthy, vibrant person full of life, love and laughter with abilities and intelligence.
7. Remember my present. I am a fearful person who misses my family and home very much.
8. Remember my future. Though it may seem bleak to you, I am always filled with hope for tomorrow.
9. Pray for me for I am a person who lingers in the mists that drift between time and eternity. Your presence may do more for me than any other outreach of compassion you can extend to me.