



Pete and Randy

**Pete Koers
and Randy Hurt**



In 2001, Pete Koers found himself in the hospital facing a serious health condition. While there, the gentleman with whom Pete shared a hospital room passed away.

“This was quite an awakening for me,” shares Pete. “I prayed a lot and decided that if I was given another chance, I would work to make a difference in the lives of others.”

Remembering a visit he had made to Damar as part of his job at Indianapolis Power & Light (IPL), Pete contacted Damar to find out how he and teenage son Hank might be able to help.

Pete was matched with 10-year-old Randy, who due to having previously endured an environment of abuse and neglect, was unable to even look Pete in the eye.

Pete has made Randy a priority in his life and when Randy showed an interest in hockey, Pete contacted the Indiana Ice, which made Randy a team manager.

“Pete goes above and beyond what we expect of our volunteers,” shared Damar Volunteer Resources Director Donna Stutler. “No matter the time of day, Pete makes himself available to Randy.”