

*Hello,*

*I am a proud 93 year-old father of a daughter, Mary Hesch, who is walking 1440 miles from Stevens Point, Wisconsin to Port Aransas, Texas. She is walking in honor of her mother, who we lost 25 years ago to pulmonary fibrosis.*

*Mary wants to raise awareness and funds to help people living with pulmonary fibrosis. She hopes that one day there will be a cure. All funds raised from Mary's walk will go directly to the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation, the non-profit organization devoted to pulmonary fibrosis research, patient education, and support.*

*Port Aransas, Texas was a favorite place of Mary's mother. We found closure there by putting her ashes and long stemmed white roses into the gulf from the ferry. When Mary finishes her walk, our family will gather on the ferry and once again toss long stemmed white roses into the gulf.*

*Mary has put her heart and soul into this walk. We are spreading the word about pulmonary fibrosis. Please help us any way you can!*

*Thank you,*

*Orville Hesch*

