

Ware Family Bio



Dale Ware

Dale Ware is a sweet 64-year-old woman who has lots of spunky sass mixed with a depth of wisdom. She, along with her four siblings, were born and raised in Cleveland.

Ms. Ware's rich work history consists of factory experience in sewing, book making, chair and flooring production in Cleveland and North Georgia.

In August 1990, she was injured in a car accident that sadly led to her being disabled and unable to work. Seven years after her accident, Dale married Clarence Donahue and they were married for 17 years until his passing in 2014.

Ms. Ware was living with her sister when she learned about Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland. She saw a television advertisement and decided to apply for a home. When she met with Habitat, she shared she needed to “gain some control over her life and stop allowing her life to control her.”

Her sister died shortly after she submitted her application, and Dale had to move out of her sister's home. Sadly, this forced her into a season of living from couch to couch with friends and family. Because of her unstable living situation, it took a while for Habitat to locate Ms. Ware, complete a home visit and get an update on her status.

Although she is disabled, Ms. Ware doesn't let that stop her from going to church, gardening, shopping, sewing and working puzzles. She is committed to doing the hard work required to get into a Habitat home. She believes by working sweat equity hours, learning more about budgeting, saving for a down payment and getting into her new home, she will positively change the path of her life.

"I'm blessed to have this opportunity to own a home of my own; a place of belonging that brings me pride, excitement and peace of mind," says Ms. Ware. With her four supportive children, seven grandchildren and family members working alongside her we believe she will be a successful new Habitat homeowner.