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Update on **Barbara Blackford**. As most of you know our mother had a severe case of Covid-19 and is now in rehab. The Covid has left her extremely weak with the smallest of things such as eating tires her easily. She requires oxygen and is working to build her strength.

With the pandemic affecting the square & round dance world my parents had made the difficult decision to leave Mesa, AZ in spring of '21 and be permanently located back in Florida. But now with my mother's illness, it's sad to say that she will not return. Our father Wayne and my husband Ken are currently enroute to move and sell their place.

They love all their friends in AZ and all over the country. And will miss you all terribly. Please know that this is not the end to their dancing, but for now on hold until our mother can regain her strength.

We so appreciate the cards, calls, text, prayers and thoughts from you all. Please continue to pray for our mom's health and for our dad too. He needs to be surrounded by all of your kindness and love.

Should you want more information you can find of FB and send me a private message. My father is not on FB and texting on the phone is not his "thing". (LOL) I'll be happy to communicate and will update here on FB when possible.

Thank you all again for your love and support for our parents over the years. Words just can't express how they feel about you all and what your friendships mean to them.

Lauri McEachern (Wayne and Barbara's daughter) – klk2@bellsouth.net

Another message from a dancer that talked to Wayne. Barbara is in rehab in JAX.

She is not in the best shape. She is on oxygen 24/7. For the comments he made, it seems she won't be able, not even to dance, forget about cueing. It was very sad listening to Wayne.

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