



**Young leaders charging to meet the high-priority needs of Palmetto Health Cancer Centers.**

## **Charles Vernon**



**In 2012, I lost my older sister, Jennifer, to cancer—she was only 38 years old. Diagnosed at the young age of 31, she spent the next seven years battling an extremely aggressive form of ovarian cancer. Although the cancer ultimately took its toll, I consider myself fortunate that I had her in my life for those additional years. I am grateful for the access she had to cutting edge technology, treatments, procedures and clinical research—without which may have shortened her battle and our time together. These advancements were only available to Jennifer because of the generosity of others who helped progress the fight against cancer through their time, dedication, and donations.**

**I have learned the hard way that life is precious and all too short. A value cannot be placed on time spent with loved ones. I view my time, effort and dollars spent with The Cavalry as an opportunity to give back in gratitude for the extra time I was afforded with Jennifer, a way to honor her memory, and a chance to protect those in my community by providing the most up to date advancements in the cancer prevention, detection and treatment.**

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