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**ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION MOURNS DEATH OF  
COUNTRY MUSIC LEGEND GLEN CAMPBELL**

**CHICAGO, August 8, 2017** – The Alzheimer's Association is saddened by the death of country music legend Glen Campbell. He and his family bravely revealed his Alzheimer's diagnosis in 2011, and embarked on a final "Goodbye Tour" that was documented in the award-winning documentary "I'll Be Me." Since that time, Campbell and his family continued to advocate on behalf of the cause, including sharing their story on Capitol Hill and speaking out on behalf of the millions of families in the U.S. facing the disease.

"The Alzheimer's Association extends sincere condolences to Glen Campbell's family, friends and fans. Glen was a courageous advocate on behalf of Alzheimer's, not only bravely sharing his diagnosis with the world, but continuing to bring joy to his fans through his music while facing the disease so publicly," said Harry Johns, president and CEO, Alzheimer's Association. "Glen and his family helped to bring Alzheimer's out of the shadows and into the spotlight with openness and honesty that has rallied people to take action on behalf of the cause. In this spirit, we will continue to work aggressively to pursue greater awareness, provide support to families, and accelerate research to slow, stop and ultimately cure Alzheimer's disease."

According to the Alzheimer's Association *2017 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures*, Alzheimer's disease is currently the sixth leading cause of death in the United States, and the only cause among the top ten that cannot be prevented, cured or slowed. An estimated 5.5 million Americans are currently living with Alzheimer's disease, with more than 15 million friends and family providing unpaid care. These numbers will escalate rapidly in the coming years and by 2050, the number of people with Alzheimer's disease may nearly triple.

**About the Alzheimer's Association®**

The Alzheimer's Association is the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support and research. Our mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research, to provide and enhance care and support for all affected, and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health. Our vision is a world without Alzheimer's. For more information, visit the Alzheimer's Association at [alz.org](http://alz.org) or call the 24/7 helpline at 800-272-3900.

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