

## In Remembrance...



**Francine Shapiro, Ph.D.** - We mourn the loss of Francine Shapiro, in August. Dr. Shapiro is the originator and developer of EMDR therapy, and the inspiration for all of our work. She was also the head of the EMDR Institute and the Founder and President Emeritus of this organization, **Trauma Recovery, EMDR Humanitarian Assistance Programs**. She will be greatly missed. Francine Shapiro played many roles in her work – Visionary, Philanthropist, Teacher, Mentor, Thought Leader, and Researcher.

In an extraordinary act of generosity and vision, Dr. Shapiro gave us her manual, the one used by the Institute, for our training sessions. This incredible act allowed us the privilege of training our participants in Francine's EMDR therapy model. This training was recognized by Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) recognized this training, as evidence based treatment, leading to acceptance by the World Health Organization, the U.S. Department of Defense and the American Psychiatric Association.

Francine's inspirational legacy – a passion to guide healing through EMDR therapy, so that those affected can make a full recovery – is the cornerstone of our work. It lives in the commitment of our volunteers. As Robbie Dunton, Francine's colleague and our Board member shared, "Francine had two lifelong goals; to see peace throughout the world; and to bring EMDR therapy throughout the world." We know that she succeeded in bringing EMDR therapy to the world; we hope that we can help achieve her and our second goal, world peace.

**Captain Donna M. Raposa** – we honor the memory of Captain Donna Raposa, a loving mother, dedicated mental health clinician, and long-time Trauma Recovery, EMDR Humanitarian Assistance Programs volunteer, who passed away June 28<sup>th</sup> of this year. Raposa was an Army Medical Reservist who specialized in psychological operations. While she was still in the Army Reserve, Donna began devoting her home to help youth in need by hosting group homes for many years. As her military service neared an end, Donna obtained a Master's Degree in clinical psychology at John F. Kennedy University, and at the age of 61, she graduated Cum Laude with her Doctorate in Psychology from the state of California. Donna volunteered for Trauma Recovery/HAP for many years, until 2017. Fellow clinician and volunteer, Robbie Dunton, describes Donna as very driven and persevering at everything she did. Her devotion and service will be deeply missed by all her Trauma Recovery/HAP colleagues.