



## ISRAEL FAMILY HOSPICE HOUSE - AMES, IA

**Location:** Ames, IA

**End Date:** January 28, 1999

**Project Size:** 11,300 SF

**Budget:** \$1,902,983

### Project Description:

This new 11,300 square foot inpatient hospice facility in Ames, Iowa consists of 12 inpatient rooms for the care of terminally ill patients. Support space for physicians and nursing staff is provided along with administrative space for the Homeward Hospice program. A major portion of the building is reserved for spaces for families and friends of patients to gather. Both patient corridors end in a small seating alcove and a larger family room with seating areas and fireplaces. The main entry contains a larger seating area and an adjacent chapel for family use.

Mary Greeley Medical Center wished to provide a comforting environment for patients and families with home-like gathering spaces for personal interaction. It was important to the Hospice Board that interior spaces were developed to avoid the institutional feeling of a traditional hospital. The facility is constructed as a traditional institutional building in order to meet the stringent code requirements of a hospital occupancy.

