



Naomi Kleinschmidt Pasino
25 August 1953 - 15 November 2019

THANK YOU NAOMI

Rustenburg – Naomi Kleinschmidt Pasino, or 'Tannie Naomi' as she was fondly known, sadly passed away on Friday 15 November. She was a pillar of the community and opened her home and her heart to the down-trodden and forgotten members of Rustenburg who turned to Staan Saam Rustenburg (SSR) when they had nowhere else to go. Mother of five and grandmother of three, Naomi was the entire Rustenburg's 'Aunty' and treated everyone like family. Since the Marikana strike, there was not a single charity, social worker or community care group that didn't work closely with Tannie Naomi or at least knew of all the wonderful things she and the Staan Saam family did for Rustenburg's needy. Starting as a regular neighbourhood watch, SSR shifted their focus during the Marikana strikes. Under the guidance of Tannie Naomi, SSR moved away from community safety to feeding the hungry, shielding the abused and housing the homeless.

"My mother was such a remarkable woman. She always made time for someone in need and she would do everything in her ability to help," said Naomi's daughter Juanita Pasino Louw. Tannie Naomi lost two of her children in infancy and her youngest, Giovanni, tragically died at the age of 21 in a car accident in 2001. "Giovanni was such a kind soul and was always helping everyone around him. When he died my mother wanted to do something to help the community in his name," Juanita told *Platinum Weekly*. It was Naomi's faith and trust in God that kept the Staan Saam lights on during the darkest times. Juanita added: "On some days, when our pantries ran empty and we started to worry about food at the Staan Saam house, Naomi calmly said: 'From our lips to God's ears' – and miraculously a kind Samaritan would drop off a food donation. My mother's favourite saying was 'There go I, but for the Grace of God' and she was the first to tell you that

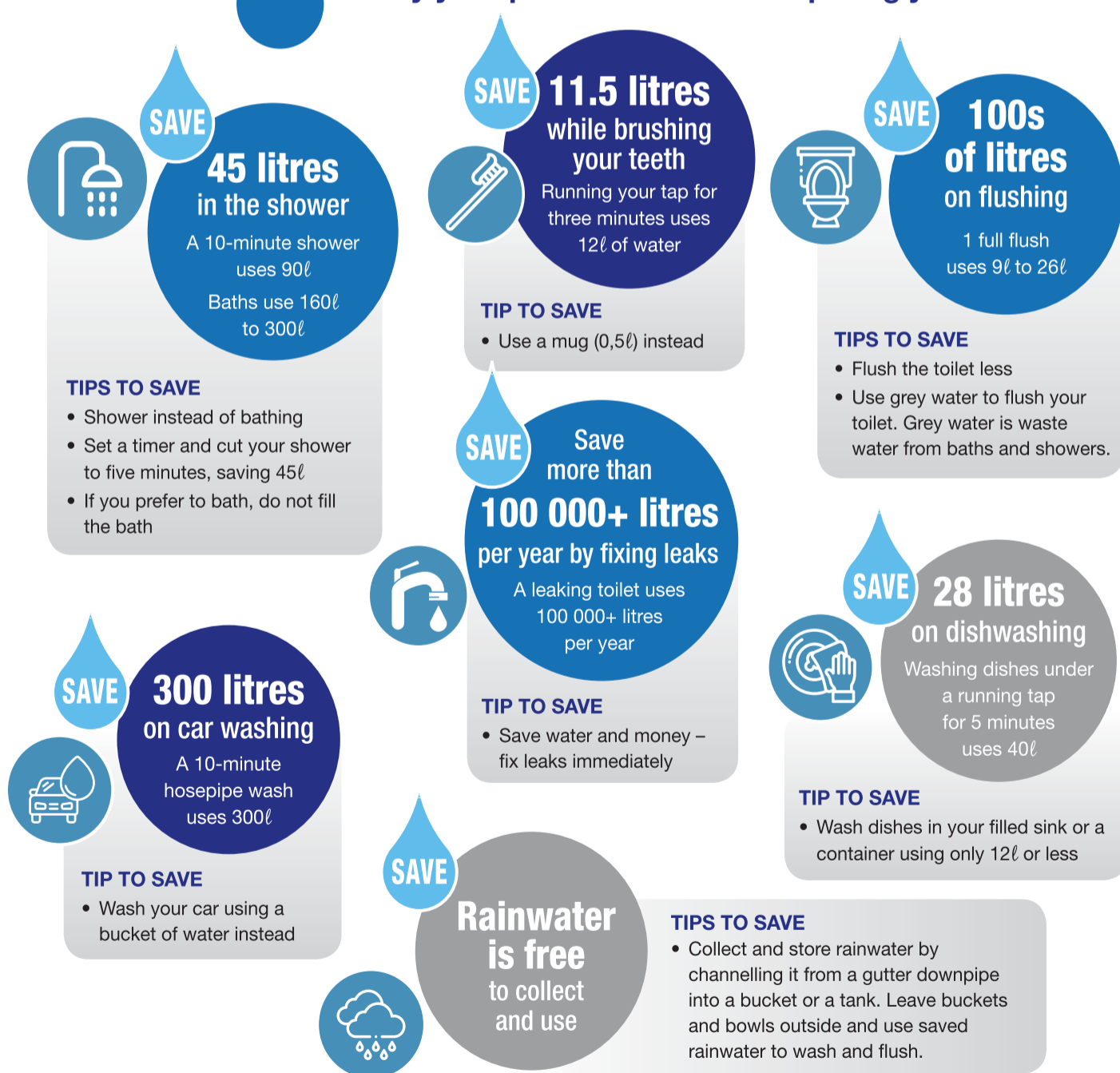
Staan Saam Rustenburg would be nothing without God." Democratic Alliance (DA) councillor for ward 18 Martha Lerm said: "There will never be another woman like Naomi in Rustenburg. She has put food on so many tables through the years and touched countless lives. I am grateful for everything she has done for me. I could always go to her when I needed advice. Naomi is in a better place now. My heart goes out to her family and those who helped her at Staan Saam to live out her passion of helping others." Naomi's selflessness and devotion towards those in need left deep footprints in the hearts of everyone who knew her. This was evident by the masses of people who attended her funeral on Thursday 21 November at NG Bergsig. Naomi was a great woman with a passion and love for her community. She devoted her life to helping those around her and the people of Rustenburg will always remember her. Rustenburg mourns the loss of this strong mother. Our sincerest condolences go out to Naomi's family and friends during this time. We will miss you Tannie Naomi!

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