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**AUTUMN LEAVES® BRINGS EXPERT MEMORY CARE  
TO LEE'S SUMMIT, MISSOURI**

Standalone Memory Care Is Company's 1<sup>st</sup> in Missouri; 2<sup>nd</sup> in Kansas City Area

IRVING, Texas (Feb. 26, 2018) – Autumn Leaves®, a nationwide leader in residential memory care, announced state assisted living licensing of its first Missouri location, Autumn Leaves of Lee's Summit.

The community welcomes its first residents this week, offering full-time, personalized care for individuals living with Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia. The licensing comes one week after a Grand Opening event attended by Lee's Summit Mayor Pro Tem, Rob Binney, along with over 150 healthcare and business professionals and numerous community members.

"After witnessing the community's positive response to our first Kansas City area location in Overland Park, Lee's Summit was a natural choice for a second location in the area," said John Barbee, President of Autumn Leaves. "Autumn Leaves is very excited to bring our award-winning programming and compassionate care to the Lee's Summit community."

The 36,298 square foot community featuring 50 residential units with private baths and 54 beds is specially designed to replicate the warmth and familiarity of a home. This expertly planned layout recently won the industry's prestigious Argentum Senior Living Design Award and features multiple lighting, textural, and architectural elements specially selected to promote feelings of comfort and calm for those living with dementia.

The entry opens to a richly appointed main living room with fireplace, as would be expected in a traditional residence. The community also encompasses a private dining room for intimate family dinners, game room, garden room, and arts and crafts center, in addition to multiple sitting rooms, and two main dining rooms. A seamless figure-8 design provides an open, home-like environment for residents and allows them to safely traverse the community with access to self-contained outdoor courtyards, gardening areas, fresh air walking paths, and a putting green.

Another highlight of the community is a multisensory "relaxation room" that incorporates aromatherapy, virtual stargazing, nature sounds, and a lounging area to provide comfort and calm. Residents have access to a spa, where they can enjoy light chair massages and a walk-in whirlpool bath, and a hair salon for styling and grooming services, as well as manicures and pedicures.

Embracing the highest industry standards for health and well-being of residents, the facility has a dedicated clinical area that includes a private exam room for visiting physicians, as well as offices for clinical staff. The community has a full-time nursing staff and offers 24/7 access to nursing care. Every staff member is trained in dementia care best practices using tools developed by the Alzheimer's Association, the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners, and other professional organizations.

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**About Autumn Leaves®**

With nearly 50 family-owned- and -operated memory care assisted living communities in nine states, Autumn Leaves is dedicated to serving those living with Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia. Autumn Leaves communities provide exceptional care and research-based programs that allow for dignified, purposeful living in a safe and active environment. An acknowledged leader in memory care, Autumn Leaves combines clinical expertise, knowledge of dementia, and heartfelt compassion to create the best possible care environment. For more information, visit [www.AutumnLeaves.com](http://www.AutumnLeaves.com), email [info@AutumnLeaves.com](mailto:info@AutumnLeaves.com), or call 888-662-8886.

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