

I received a text message this morning from Nichole (Tammy's daughter) and she had her surgery yesterday. She said her mom was doing OK but very sore. She is on a morphine pump and the mass that was removed was cancer. She will be in the hospital for the next 3 to 4 days. Her mailing address is, Tammy McCoy, 2424 Kellogg Ave, West Peoria, IL. 61604 if you would like to send her a card.

The Surgeon general said Sunday morning said that we're about to head into a week that will be the "hardest and the saddest" for most living Americans. "This is going to be our Pearl Harbor moment, our 9/11 moment, only it's not going to be localized, it's going to be happening all over the country and I want America to understand that," Vice Admiral Jerome Adams said. Officials say the next two weeks will be crucial in the fight to stop the spread of the coronavirus. "I want Americans to understand that as hard as this week is going to be, there is a light at the end of the tunnel," Adams said.

The virus is thought to primarily spread from person-to-person.

- Sustained contact (>10 minutes) between people who are roughly six feet from each other.
- Through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or can possibly be inhaled into the lungs.

### **What is the source of the virus?**

Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses that are common in people and many different species of animals, including camels, cattle, cats and bats. Early on, many of the patients at the epicenter of the COVID-19 outbreak in China had some link to a large seafood and live animal market, suggesting animal-to-person spread. Later, a growing number of patients reportedly did not have exposure to animal markets, indicating person-to-person spread. Person-to-person spread was subsequently reported outside China, including the United States.

### **What is 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)?**

There are many types of human coronaviruses including some that commonly cause mild upper-respiratory tract illnesses. COVID-19 is a new disease, caused by a novel (or new) coronavirus not previously seen in humans. COVID-19 was identified as the cause of an outbreak of respiratory illness first detected in Wuhan, China, that has spread around the world, including the United States and

all 50 states. The latest situation summary updates are available on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention web page [2019 Novel Coronavirus](#).

“Tough times never last, but tough people do.” Robert H Schuller