# The DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses

## **About The DAISY Foundation**

The DAISY Foundation was established in 1999 by the family of J. Patrick Barnes who died of complications of the auto-immune disease Idiopathic Thrombocytopenia Purpura (ITP) at the age of 33. (DAISY is an acronym for Diseases Attacking the Immune SYstem.) During Pat's eight-week hospitalization, his family was awestruck by the care and compassion his nurses provided not only to Pat but to everyone in his family. So one of the goals they set in creating a foundation in Pat's memory was to recognize extraordinary nurses everywhere who make an enormous difference in the lives of so many people by the superhuman work they do everyday.

### What Is The DAISY Award?

The DAISY Award is an international program that rewards and celebrates the extraordinary clinical skill and compassionate care given by nurses everyday. Phelps Health is proud to be a DAISY Award Partner, recognizing one of our nurses with this special honor monthly.

To find out more about the program, including the growing list of partners, please go to www.DAISYfoundation.org.

In loving memory of: VICKI B. ALLEN, R.N.

who faithfully served the nursing profession for 40 years.

The DAISY Award is sponsored by family and friends of Vicki B. Allen.

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# Nominate A Nurse for The DAISY Award

SHARE YOUR STORY!

DAISY Award honorees personify Phelps Health nurses who consistently demonstrate excellence through their clinical expertise and extraordinary *compassionate* care. They are recognized as outstanding role models in our nursing community.



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Each DAISY Award Honoree will be recognized at a public ceremony in her/his unit and will receive: a beautiful certificate, a DAISY Award pin, and a hand-carved stone sculpture entitled A Healer's Touch. Additionally, every one in the unit will celebrate with Cinnabon® cinnamon rolls – a favorite of Patrick's during his illness. The Barnes family asks that whenever and wherever nurses smell that wonderful cinnamon aroma, they stop for a moment and think about how special they are.

## How to Nominate an Extraordinary Nurse

Patients, visitors, nurses, physicians and employees may nominate a deserving nurse by filling out this form and submitting it to Suzanne Weckman or one of the nursing units. An electronic version for hospital employees is available at www.phelpshealth.org.

I would like to nominate
from the
unit/department
as a deserving recipient of <b>The DAISY Award</b> .
This nurse's clinical skill and especially her/his
compassionate care exemplify the kind of nurse
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Please share your story.
(examples)
Did this nurse make a special connection with
you and/or your family or make you feel special?
Feel free to use additional pages.

Thank you for taking the time to nominate an extraordinary, compassionate nurse for this award. Please tell us about yourself, so that we may include you in the celebration of this award should the nurse you nominated be chosen. (optional).

Your Name:
Unit: Phone:
Email:
I am (please check one): RN Patient
Family/Visitor MD Staff
Volunteer
Date of nomination:

### **DAISY Award Submissions**

Please submit this nomination to any of the nursing units, or mail to Suzanne Weckman, Phelps Health, 1000 West 10th Street, Rolla, MO 65401 or email <a href="mailto:sweckman@phelpshealth.org">sweckman@phelpshealth.org</a>. Online forms can be found at <a href="mailto:sweckman@phelpshealth.org">www.phelpshealth.org</a>. If you have any questions, please contact Suzanne Weckman at <a href="mailto:sweckman@phelpshealth.org">sweckman@phelpshealth.org</a>.