

With Attached Photo: Christy Buie, R.N., BSN, and Shanna Giles, R.N., BSN, received The DAISY Award® in recognition of the care and compassion they provide to patients at Southeast Georgia Health System.

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Southeast Georgia Health System Presents the DAISY Award® for Extraordinary Care to Christy Buie and Shanna Giles

BRUNSWICK, Georgia: April 29, 2021 – Southeast Georgia Health System recently presented the DAISY Award® For Extraordinary Nurses to Christy Buie, R.N., BSN, and Shanna Giles, R.N., BSN, in recognition of the kindness and compassion they provide every day to their patients.

A registered nurse in the Health System's Cath Lab on the Brunswick Campus, Christy Buie, R.N., BSN, was nominated for The DAISY Award by Suzy Furlong, the daughter of a patient Buie cared for.



Excerpts from the nomination include, “My mom was admitted through the emergency room with a complete heart block... After a very restless, stressful night and morning in the emergency room, she was transferred to the Cath Lab for a temporary pacemaker; I was allowed to be with her because of her dementia, confusion and condition. Christy was her nurse in the recovery area. She was not only attentive to my Mom, but to me as well, letting me vent all my frustrations and concerns. She has a very calming personality, and is a very knowledgeable and skilled nurse. She allowed my brother and I to swap out when he arrived from Tampa – it ended up being the last time he saw our Mom alive... She also gave me a much needed hug when my Mom was transported to her room and I wasn't allowed to go with her because of COVID-19 restrictions. Fast forward a couple of months to my Mom's passing at home, I received a very heartfelt card from Christy. She is a very bright light and dedicated employee of the hospital. She is not just a Daisy, but a whole Bouquet.”

Shanna Giles, R.N., BSN, is a registered nurse on one of the telemetry floors on the Health System's Brunswick Campus. She was nominated for The DAISY Award by one of her co-workers.



Excerpts from Giles nomination include, “Shanna always goes above and beyond. She always helps everyone. We shared a patient who was confused, combative and very time-consuming. Shanna and I worked as a team to make sure the patient was taken care of. Her teamwork skills are always on point. She doesn't mind helping with the vital signs, patient care, bed alarms, baths, call lights and anything else to make sure the patients are well taken care of.... She always has the patient's best interest at heart.... When you work with someone who doesn't mind working together, it makes your shift better. Thank you, Shanna! You're appreciated!”

Buie and Giles also received “A Healer's Touch” sculptures, hand-carved by

artists of the Shona Tribe in Africa, and Grandy's Sinnamon® Rolls, donated by owners, and siblings, Paul and Mary Kay Spence.

Created by The DAISY Foundation™—an acronym for Diseases Attacking the Immune System—the DAISY Award was established by family members in memory of J. Patrick Barnes. Barnes died at the age of 33 in late 1999 from complications of Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP), a little known but not uncommon auto-immune disease. The care Barnes and his family received from nurses while he was ill inspired this unique means of thanking nurses for making a profound difference in the lives of their patients and the patients' family and friends.

Nurses can be nominated for The DAISY Award online at sghs.org/daisy-award, or nominations may be placed in DAISY boxes located throughout the Health System's Brunswick and Camden campuses. A committee consisting of Health System team members, including clinical and non-clinical staff, leadership, medical staff and board members, review the nominations and determine The DAISY Award recipient(s). Awards are given quarterly throughout the year.

ABOUT SOUTHEAST GEORGIA HEALTH SYSTEM

Southeast Georgia Health System is a not-for-profit health system comprised of two acute care hospitals, two long term care facilities, two comprehensive Cancer Care Centers and multiple specialty care centers, including orthopaedic and spine care, joint replacement, breast care, maternity, outpatient rehabilitation, sleep management and wound care. The Brunswick Campus Cancer Care Center is accredited by the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer and offers the only CyberKnife® M6 with MLC technology in Georgia. Additionally, the Southeast Georgia Physician Associates medical group includes more than 140 providers working in 20 different medical specialties at more than 50 locations. The Health System is part of Coastal Community Health, a regional affiliation between Baptist Health and Southeast Georgia Health System forming a highly integrated hospital network focused on significant initiatives designed to enhance the quality and value of care provided to our contiguous communities. In 2020, the Brunswick Campus was rated High Performing in COPD and Heart Failure by the U.S. News & World Report. For more information, visit sghs.org.

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