Coffee Regional Medical Center Recognizes DAISY Award Winner, Kelli Boatright, RN

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Recently, a ceremony was held to honor the DAISY Award winner for the 4th quarter of 2020: Kelli Boatright, RN. Kelli is a Registered Nurse in the COVID Unit at **Coffee Regional Medical Center (CRMC)** and was nominated by a patient's family member for showing extraordinary care and compassion during a very difficult time. In the nomination, the family stated, "My sister was admitted with COVID-19, and Kelli was her nurse. Kelli was our eyes and ears during the days my sister was there. She called with updates every day and sometimes two or three times a day. The love and compassion she gave us were awesome. My sister passed away, but Kelli kept in touch and checked on us several times. She went above and beyond her duty as a nurse to keep us informed. We call Kelli our Angel for helping us through this difficult time in our lives. Hopefully, one day, when life is back to normal, we are going to get to meet Kelli." This is Kelli's first nomination for the DAISY Award, and as you can see by the patient testimony, we are confident it will not be her last. Please join us in congratulating Kelli.

Created in 1999 by the family of J. Patrick Barnes, the DAISY Foundation honors nurses internationally. Mr. Barnes's family was positively impacted by the nurses who skillfully and compassionately cared for Patrick during his eight-week hospitalization for a critical illness. Unfortunately, Mr. Barnes did not survive his illness; however, the nursing care he received when hospitalized profoundly touched his family. The Barnes family wanted a way to honor Patrick and chose to recognize nurses everywhere for their dedication. The DAISY Foundation has been utilized by over 4,500 healthcare facilities and nursing schools in the U.S. and worldwide.

Anyone may nominate nurses including those outside the organization – patients, family members, as well as those inside the organization: other nurses, physicians, and other clinicians and staff – anyone who experiences or observes extraordinary and compassionate care.

CRMC holds the DAISY Award ceremonies, recognizing these extraordinary nurses throughout the year. Each nominee is recognized, and one winner is chosen, for each quarter, from those nominees.

Coffee Regional Medical Center would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Kelli and all the nominees of the DAISY Award for the 4th quarter of 2020. As we remain focused on our efforts, we are proud of our hard-working caregivers who have all shown unwavering determination and drive throughout these difficult times. Thank you for all you do, each day, to care for our patients (and each other) while staying true to *Our Purpose; To Serve, To Heal, To Save.*

To nominate a CRMC nurse for the DAISY Award, visit us online at www.CoffeeRegional.org/DAISY. To find out more about the DAISY Foundation, please visit www.DaisyFoundation.org.

