

### 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 8 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 super-human 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 every day.

Morton Hospital is proud to be a DAISY Award Partner, recognizing one of our nurses with this special honor quarterly.

To find out more about the program, including the growing list of Partners, please go to [www.DAISYfoundation.org](http://www.DAISYfoundation.org).

## Morton Hospital



IN MEMORY OF J. PATRICK BARNES

## Nominate a Nurse for The DAISY Award

*SHARE YOUR STORY ABOUT A  
NURSE WHO WENT ABOVE AND  
BEYOND FOR YOU AND YOUR  
FAMILY!*

DAISY Award honorees personify Morton Hospital's remarkable patient experience. These nurses consistently demonstrate excellence through their clinical expertise and extraordinary *compassionate* care. They are recognized as outstanding role models in our nursing community.

# The DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses

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, everyone 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, employees may nominate a deserving nurse. Please place this in the locked box located throughout the hospital or submit this nomination to Patient Care Services .

An electronic version for hospital employees is available on the internal intranet.

## I would like to nominate

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from \_\_\_\_\_

(unit/department) as a deserving recipient of The DAISY Award.

This nurse's clinical skill and especially her/his compassionate care exemplify the kind of nurse that our patients, their families, and our staff recognize as an outstanding role model. Please help Morton Hospital recognize nurses who meet one or more of these criteria:

- Makes a special connection with the patient and family
- Serves as a role model for other nurses
- Is thoughtful and caring in all situations
- Has excellent clinical skills
- Collaborates well with all members of the healthcare team
- Contributes to a healthy work environment
- Demonstrates professionalism in the work environment

Please describe a situation or story involving the nurse you are nominating that clearly demonstrates he/she meets the criteria of being recognized with a DAISY award (you may attach an additional page if needed).

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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 is chosen. **(This is optional)**

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

I am (please check one): RN\_\_\_ MD\_\_\_

Patient\_\_\_ Family/Visitor\_\_\_ Staff\_\_\_

Volunteer\_\_\_

Date of nomination \_\_\_\_\_