### **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 every day.

#### What is The DAISY Award?

The DAISY Award is an international program that rewards and celebrates the extraordinary compassionate and skillful care given by nurses every day.

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

To find out more about the program, including the growing list of Partners, please go to <a href="https://www.DAISYfoundation.org">www.DAISYfoundation.org</a>.

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# Want to Thank Your Nurse For Extraordinary Care?

Nominate a Nurse for The DAISY Award



DAISY Award honorees personify Spencer 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.

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# **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.	Please describe a specific situation or story that clearly demonstrates how this nurse made a meaningful difference in your care. Feel free to use additional pages.
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 by filling out this form and submitting it to any DAISY award drop box or mailing it to Spencer Hospital, Administration, 1200 1 <sup>st</sup> Ave East, Spencer, IA 51301 or daisyaward@spencerhospital.org. An electronic version for hospital employees is available on the Spencer Hospital intranet.  Name of the nurse you are nominating:	
Department where this nurse works:	
Awards will be presented the first week of November and the first week of May.  Nominations must be received by October 1st	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 if the nurse you nominated is chosen.

Your Name

and April 1st to be eligible for the corresponding

award presentations. If you have any questions, please contact Connie Koch at (712) 264-6111.

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Patient Family/Visitor Staff
Volunteer
Date of nomination
How do we reach you?
Phone
Email
Pager

## **DAISY Award Nomination Process:**

Please submit this nomination to:
Daisy Award Coordinator Melissa Cunningham
Spencer Hospital
1200 First Ave. E.
Spencer, IA 51301

## Or e-mail it to:

daisyaward@spencerhospital.org

If you have any questions, Please contact Melissa Cunningham