

*This extraordinary nurse helped save my husband's life, but also gave care to m! She was honest, warm hearted and sensitive to both of us. She helped me get strength to attend ALANON. She may have saved my marriage by recommending this on top of saving his life!*

*This Daisy Award nomination for Michele Phelps is a supplement to the nomination that was recently submitted by a patient's wife.*

*This family member approached me to give a compliment about Michele. The following comments were made about Michele:*

*"She took the time to sit with us and explain what was going on with my husband and what we could expect during our ICU and hospital stay. She went far beyond the basics with us and answered any and all questions that we had".*

*"She discussed his alcoholism and broke it down into basic terms for us."*

*Several staff members saw Michele and her interactions with the patient and his wife and I heard comments on more than one occasion that she was so compassionate with them. Michele spent private time with the patient's wife to discuss how the patient's illness was affecting her and how she could take care of herself and assure that she was a good source of support for her husband. She talked to them about options for them to consider after discharge from the hospital such as counseling or ALANON.*

*During the patient's time in ICU, his wife brought in smiley face balloons with a nurses cap on them and wrote Michele's name on one balloon, thanking her for all of her help! – Marc Manley, Unit Manager*

