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DAISY: Asante Rogue Regional, Asante Three Rivers

Asante's most recent DAISY Award winners are Andrea Smith, who works in the Family Birth Center at Asante Rogue Regional, and Rose Kaeser, a charge nurse at Asante Three Rivers. DAISY Awards honor the good deeds of individual nurses at various hospitals throughout the U.S.



A Birth Center patient nominated Andrea, saying her support and encouragement helped in managing labor without the use of an epidural or other drugs.

"In the beginning she helped me laugh (she has a great sense of humor), and as my discomfort increased, she suggested different positions and strategies for dealing with the pain, and gave me as much space as possible (while still doing her job and making sure my baby was safe)," the patient said in her nomination letter.

"If I was to have another baby and I could choose my nurse, I would definitely ask for Andrea."



Rose was nominated by a colleague at Asante Three Rivers, who witnessed a special and compassionate interaction between Rose and the husband of a woman who had just passed away.

"They wept quietly together and then he spoke with heartfelt thanks (for) how special Rose has been to him, his family and his dying wife," the nomination letter said. "He felt that because of Rose's exceptional attentiveness, his wife passed on peacefully and without pain.

"Thank you, Rose, for your devoted and exceptional, compassionate care for the sick and dying," her colleague wrote. "You have made an incredible impression – not only on me, but most importantly, to this family."

Patients and others may nominate nurses for [DAISY Awards](#), based on factors including care of and compassion for patients and their loved ones.

The DAISY Foundation was established in 1999, in honor of Patrick Barnes, who died in Seattle of Idiopathic Thrombocytopenia Purpura. His parents created the DAISY Foundation (DAISY is an acronym for diseases attacking the immune system) to recognize nurses for the exceptional care they provided their son during his illness, and hospitals across the country have since adopted the program.

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