Richelle Shetler Chosen as DAISY Award Winner at SRMC

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Salem Regional Medical Center (SRMC) recognized Richelle Shetler, BSN, RN, as its tenth DAISY Award winner, since starting the program in mid-2024. This national award was created by family members of patient J. Patrick Barnes, to recognize outstanding nurses across the country who go above and beyond in providing compassionate care along the patient care journey.

Shetler, the Inpatient Unit Director of the hospital's Tower 2 and ICU, was nominated by a co-worker.



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Her nominator wrote, "Richelle always puts the patient first. She is a great listener and finds solutions to problems. Her caring attitude is infectious."

"Richelle perfectly embodies our hospital's commitment to excellence through her outstanding leadership and skills," said Leigh Knife, MSN, RN, SRMC Director of Nursing. "Her kindness and compassion make a meaningful difference for our patients, and we are truly grateful to have her as a member of our nursing team."

As a DAISY Award winner, Martin received a special certificate and a $100 award given on behalf of the George Kimble Scholarship established in 2012 in memory of past SRMC patient George H. Kimble.

"We launched the DAISY Award program to honor and recognize the excellent care that our nurses are practicing, and to highlight those who demonstrate our organization's ICARE values of Integrity, Compassion, Accountability, Respect and Excellence," Knife continued.

To nominate an SRMC nurse for a DAISY Award, visit www.salemregional.com/patient-visitor-info/patient-information.