FEBRUARY Volunteer of the Month



Mary Ertle

February's Volunteer of the Month moved here without knowing anyone and she figured she needed to get out and meet people. She liked the idea of helping people in a positive way so she decided she might like to volunteer. When her husband was in Outpatient Surgery, a volunteer came around to see if he needed anything, he said his wife wanted to volunteer and that's how it began.

Years ago Mary thought she wanted to be a nurse so she worked in several hospitals as a CNA. Today you'll find her in the West Lobby helping patients and nurses alike. She feels that we all need help at some time in our lives and she loves helping people, either paying it back or paying it forward. It is this meaning of care she exemplifies that led JEH staff to nominate her for the Volunteer of the Month recognition.

In her spare time she enjoys reading mysteries, playing cards, riding bicycles, camping and traveling to states she has yet to visit. Her favorite hobby was riding on the back of the motorcycle with her husband. They've traveled the western U.S. and even made a coast to coast ride from Long Beach, CA to Myrtle Beach, SC with friends. Together they rode south to Texas and as far north as Montana into Canada. Unfortunately they had to give up the motorcycle travels after her husband had hip replacement surgery.

Being named Volunteer of the Month is one of her favorite memories.

Congratulations Mary, thank you for your volunteer services.

If you are interested in learning more about our volunteer opportunities contact Sam Fragoso at 712-396-6040

