Volunteer spotlight

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Children's Hospital New Orleans



My favorite memory volunteering

My favorite memory was when I visited a teenager in the PICU. With his mother's consent, I brought a priest to have him baptized. I became his godmother at his baptism. We were all amazed when he improved and is doing well today.

My inspiration to volunteer

In high school I volunteered at children's hospital as a candy striper. I would catch three buses and walk six blocks. It was so rewarding to visit the patients and make animal balloons for them. After I retired, I started working with Angel's Place who visits terminally ill patients and continue to look forward to my weekly visits.

My favorite part of volunteering

My favorite part of volunteering is not only visiting the patients, but also spreading a little cheer to the hospital staff. I pass out suckers and they call me the sucker lady. It is great to see smiles on their faces.

My little something extra

I enjoy going to my twin grandsons school and sports activities. I rarely miss any of their events, even in bad weather.

Why I'm extra-ordinary

I don't feel I'm extraordinary in any way. My goal in life is that I want to make others happy. God is blessed me in so many ways that I want to spread his love to others by helping children and their families.

My day job

At my church, I'm in charge of the Alter Society which does several jobs. I visit shut-ins each week and bring them communion. I make phone visits to people who are unable to get out.

