Willow Award

EXCELLENCE IN END-OF-LIFE CARE

1/3/25

Dear Willow Award,

On November 29th, 2024 our lives were completely flipped upside down. experienced 23 weeks and 6 days of a blissful picture-perfect pregnancy. Having no complications before this date, we fully expected to bring our identical twin girls home sometime in March. However, things took a turn for the worst that night when I went into pre-term labor and had an emergency c-section only to wake up and learn both of our girls had passed away. Losing your babies is excruciatingly hard. Losing them in such a traumatic way is even harder.

This is why I want to nominate several of the labor and delivery, NICU, and postpartum staff that cared for us. We had the most amazing care from the second we entered the hospital to the moment we left. Compassionate, empathetic, benevolent, and kind-hearted are just a few of the adjectives that describe every doctor and nurse we encountered. The doctors that assisted with my surgery and delivery, the nurses that took amazing care of my babies, and the nurses that cared for me postpartum during my darkest hours were truly angels sent from Heaven and I thank God for them every day. There is absolutely nothing that can make this situation better, but having the care we received helped get me and my husband through the most unimaginable days. We also left the hospital with an incredible box of mementos and over a hundred pictures of our babies that we are forever thankful for and that is all thanks to the nurses.

Our family would like to nominate:

Grace Davenport, RN

Gracie Massey, RN

LeAnne Earnest, LPN, ST

Abigail Scott, RN

Dr. Amy Cahill

Dr. Lindsay Heulitt

Sheila Shepherd, RN

Misty Hill, RT

Dr. Torie Winningham

Maram Hassan, RN

Leaving the hospital without your babies is something a family should never, ever have to do. It makes you not want to ever look back or enter that specific building again. However, God willing, I am looking forward to the day when I'm back there again for a happy celebration and I pray all of these people get to be a part of it. Until then, I want them to know the incredible impact they had on our lives and how thankful we are for each one of them.

With love,

Mark & Hannah St. Pierre

Parents to Vivian and Mia St. Pierre