

# Caregiver OF THE MONTH

## *Appreciation of Selfless Giving*

Sharon Dunbar has been named as Moran & Goebel's February Caregiver of the Month.

For recently retired Sharon Dunbar, working as a hospice caretaker in and around Decatur for 24 years made for a rewarding career. "What I did (for my patients) was nothing compared to what they did for me", she declares.

What she did for them was provide comfort, whenever and however possible. She attempted to anticipate her patient's needs in an effort to satisfy them before they became apparent. This meant administering medications, monitoring vitals, and helping those who couldn't help themselves.

While these were her duties, Sharon took it upon herself to provide emotional comfort and to facilitate spiritual exploration. Mostly she would listen, offering words of consolation to sooth and ease anxiety when appropriate. She felt that the trust that resulted made them more responsive to her care.

What they did for her was provide inspiration and, in many cases, confirmation of her religious beliefs, for which she is eternally grateful. Memories of patients who experienced what others could not, such as the young man who described Jesus and beautiful music as he passed, remain with her and continue to impact her life today.

In appreciation for the selfless giving of Sharon Dunbar, and the many others like her, Moran & Goebel Funeral Home is recognizing Caregivers with an award that acknowledges the amazing work they do each day.

Please consider nominating a Caregiver in your life.  
Submit a nomination by mail to: Caregivers,  
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Decatur, IL 62526 or email:  
caregivers@moranandgoebel.com.



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