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Meet Our Most Experienced and our Youngest Nurses



Myrna Gaither, RN

Myrna Gaither, charge nurse in the hospital wing and emergency room, was one of seven Southern Oklahoma nurses profiled in the Ardmoreite newspaper's "Salute to Nurses" edition in April. The story cited Gaither's "invaluable experience" for "patients as well as coworkers" in a lengthy career that began in 1972.

She worked in hospice nursing, ICU, and psychiatric unit facilities in several cities in Oklahoma and Florida prior to joining her hometown hospital in Marietta in 2006. "This hospital is an oasis with a truly caring staff able to spend the time each patient needs," Gaither said.



**Marie Ross, RN-BSN,
Director of Nursing**

After graduating from Marietta High School, Marie Ross followed her three brothers, in 1969, into the U.S. Navy, where she trained and served as a Hospital Corps Wave.

In 1973, she married Bill Ross and, four days later, began studies in the Registered Nurse program of North Texas State College in Gainesville. She launched her RN career with the hospital in 1976.

She has 20 years of experience as Director of Nursing. From 1985 to 1994 she was Dr. J.T. O'Connor's clinic nurse. In 2015, Ross completed a bachelor's degree in nursing from Oklahoma City University.



Lindsay Graham, CNA

The newest and youngest staff member is Lindsay Graham, age 18. "I'm really enjoying it," she said, after one month as a certified nurse's aide on the hospital nursing wing. She joined the hospital on May 5 after completing CNA training school. "I've had an interest in nursing for a long time. This is my first job, but I answered the call for volunteers at Turner High School to work at the concession stand and keep books for the basketball team. I enjoy helping people." Graham said she readily sought the guidance of the nurses and Nikia Sims, the other CNA on her shift. "I ask someone to watch me the first time I perform a task for a patient to be sure I am doing it right."

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