

CELEBRATE SUCCESS

QUALITY OUTCOMES EVERY DAY



WE ARE PLEASED TO SHARE THE FOLLOWING PATIENT SUCCESS STORY.

Dianne Wilkins

Reason for Admission: Fractured femur

Length of Stay: 11 days

Discharge Location: Home



After 53 years of living and working as a registered nurse, Dianne Wilkins moved from Florida to Tulsa during the pandemic to be near family. Soon after, she started work with Heritage Pointe as an RN consultant as well as spending time with family and friends. On December 23, she was having a great time at a birthday party until she mistook a four-step flight of stairs for one. When she fell, she snapped her femur in two. An ambulance took her to Saint Francis South where she had corrective orthopedic surgery on December 26.

Two days after the surgery, she asked to transfer to PAM Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Tulsa to continue her rehabilitation. As a lifelong nurse, she knows the importance of quality therapies and wanted the very best care. When she first arrived at PAM Health, she was unable to walk. With her dedication and the skills of the rehab team, she was able to walk again 11 days later.

"I have had a marvelous team of doctors, nurses and therapist while I have been here," stated Dianne. "If it were not for my physical therapist, Gamal, and my occupational therapist, Emily, I would not be returning home to my 4-bedroom house alone! This team has been supportive and encouraging, but they do not coddle you! You have to do the work!"

At 74 years young, Dianne is a two-time cancer survivor and knows she can recover this time as well. A ballroom dancer since 1991, she fully intends to return to dancing when her doctor says she can. We cannot wait to hear about her dancing again!

