



**Local Critical Care Nurse Honored Nationally for Giving the Gift of Life**  
*Floragraph Finishing Event Hosted for Local Honoree*

LAS VEGAS – Palm Mortuaries and Cemeteries of Las Vegas and Nevada Donor Network are proud to honor a local ICU Nurse, Jill Collier-Kerr, during the 130th Rose Parade® on January 1, 2019 in Pasadena, Calif. After passing away suddenly in July of 2017, Collier-Kerr saved five lives through organ donation and restored the gift of sight to two more by donating her corneas. Collier-Kerr worked in the Neurosciences ICU at Sunrise Hospital and Medical Center.

On Wednesday, November 14, Sunrise Hospital will host a ceremony in Collier-Kerr’s honor. During the ceremony, her co-workers, loved ones and other supporters are invited to pay special tribute by finishing the decoration of her Floragraph, a portrait made of floral and natural materials. This stunning portrait will then be featured on the Donate Life Rose Parade Float among other heroes from around the country who have given the gift of life through organ, eye and tissue donation.

Throughout her career as a nurse on the Neuro ICU unit, Collier-Kerr assisted in countless heroic donor cases to make hope and healing possible for others. Her co-workers on the unit cherish her memory and describe her as “extraordinary.” The deserving recipient of a [DAISY Foundation](#) Award in 2015, she is remembered for the tremendous care compassion extended to patients and their family members and will be forever remembered as a hero.

- WHAT:** Donate Life Rose Parade® Floragraph Finishing Event Honoring Jill Collier-Kerr
- WHO:** Palm Mortuaries and Cemeteries of Las Vegas, Nevada Donor Network, Sunrise Hospital & Medical Center and Kerr’s Loved Ones
- WHERE:** Sunrise Hospital & Medical Center, 3186 S Maryland Pkwy, Las Vegas, NV 89109 (Sunrise Hospital Auditorium)
- WHEN:** Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at 11:00 A.M.

**INTERVIEWS:**

1. Glenn Abercrombie, Dignity Memorial Palm Mortuaries and Cemeteries of Las Vegas
2. Greg Kerr, Jill Collier-Kerr’s Husband
3. Joe Ferreira, Nevada Donor Network President & CEO
4. Shandel Trotter, RN (Sunrise Hospital Neuro ICU) Jill Collier-Kerr’s former co-worker

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**About Sunrise Hospital and Medical Center:**

As Nevada’s largest acute care facility and Level II Trauma Center, Sunrise Hospital and Medical Center offers high quality, patient-centered healthcare to the residents of southern Nevada, its surrounding region and the millions of visitors that come to Las Vegas. Sunrise Hospital is now home to Nevada’s first and only Joint Commission Accredited Advanced Comprehensive Stroke Center. The Heart Center at Sunrise Hospital offers advanced cardiac care and features an Accredited Chest Pain Center. In addition to having the busiest Emergency Department in Nevada, Sunrise Hospital is also home to a County-designated STEMI receiving center. For more information on Sunrise Hospital and Medical Center, visit [sunrisehospital.com](http://sunrisehospital.com), follow us on Twitter [@SunriseLasVegas](https://twitter.com/SunriseLasVegas) and [facebook.com/SunriseHospital](https://facebook.com/SunriseHospital).



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