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## Virginia Lowery: Employee of the Month

Virginia's childhood dream was to be a nurse. She didn't become a nurse because her parents could not afford to send her to a nursing school. Virginia said, "Caring for others has always been my passion. I didn't have the chance to care for the sick and the elderly back then, but I've had the opportunity to do that here since 2002."

For 8 years, Virginia provided live-in care to a very kind lady in New York. After this client died, Virginia moved back to California. Virginia added, "My husband is in Michigan; my two sons, a nurse and a pharmacist,

live in Texas. They've been asking me to join them. I keep telling them that I prefer to work rather than stay at home. I love them but I am still strong and able to do what I want."

Virginia lives in Redwood City with her cousin who is also a caregiver. She visits her family whenever she can and they do the same.

## **Elvira De Dios: Employee of the Month**

Elvira joined the healthcare field in 1992. After working as a CNA in a hospital until 1999, she and her husband moved back to the Philippines. They came back here in 2010.

Elvira said, "I still love caring for people. This time I prefer to offer care in the home setting." Elvira and her husband live in South San Francisco. They have two daughters who are both married. During her free time, Elvira cooks. She took cooking and baking lessons in the Philippines.