



Mila Rice

— QMA —

North Woods Village

Mila Rice is North Woods Village's 2022 Quest for Excellence Winner, and she absolutely does justice to this award!

Mila came to the United States 17 years ago, having been raised and educated in the Philippines. Here, she met her husband and discovered her passion for healthcare. Mila joined our team in 2013 as a CNA. She obtained her QMA in 2016, and became a QMA Preceptor in February of this year. Her dream is to become a nurse and she is currently applying to ASC's O2NE nursing program.

Mila credits her upbringing in the Philippines to her desire to help the geriatric population, stating two of her grandparents suffered from Alzheimer's and family cared for them as there were no nursing homes in her providence. She stated, "I love helping these people, I enjoy every day; it makes me happy."

Mila and her husband, Ken, have a cat named Lucky. They enjoy going to car shows and showing off their 1967 Chevy Nova and she enjoys watching him participate in Tractor Pulls. Mila loves to work in her garden and travel.

Everyone loves Mila! Her residents and coworkers all share the same words to describe her: happy, dedicated, always willing to help. She makes her residents a priority and makes them feel as if they are the only ones when she is working with them. One team member stated, "Mila goes above and beyond in many aspects of her job. She is an exceptional role model with a superior work ethic. Mila will do anything requested of her to benefit her residents and coworkers, she always has a smile and stands out among her coworkers!"

