**JERRY O’BEE SERVICE EXCELLENCE AWARD**

**2024 Nomination Form**

Due Date: Wednesday, October 11 @ 5:00 p.m.

Email the completed nomination form to Andrea Westendorp at [AndreaW@aaawm.org](mailto:AndreaW@aaawm.org)

**Award History & Criteria**

The Jerry O’Bee Service Excellence Award was established in 2011 as a way to honor Jerry O’Bee for his efforts in advocating for caregivers in West Michigan, and as an ongoing way to annually recognize CRN members who demonstrate a similar commitment to excellence in serving seniors and their family caregivers in the community. To this end, award recipients must demonstrate the following **Core Values** which Jerry displayed:

* **Commitment** – dedication and volunteerism to the CRN and community
* **Innovation** – the ability to think outside the box; always thinking of new ways to promote and further the mission and efforts of the CRN
* **Energy** – demonstrates a great deal of energy and enthusiasm in their work on behalf of caregivers; is accountable and can be counted on to follow through with any CRN related tasks/assignments
* **Passion** – shows great personal and professional passion in regard to the needs and issues of family caregivers
* **Vision** – is a visionary and always looking to identify ways to enhance the lives of caregivers

The recipient of this award will be chosen annually through nomination by peers within the CRN and the vote of a Committee comprised of Andrea Westendorp and past award recipients. The award will be presented in the month of November, and awardees will be recognized on the CRN Facebook page, as well as on a plaque on permanent display at the Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan located at 3215 Eaglecrest Drive NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49525.

Past Recipients include: Jerry O’Bee, Jane DeVries, Cindy Streekstra, Sanford Freed, Michael Faber, Joy Spahn, Margaret Howard, Catherine Jacobs, Dan Gauthier, Carol Robinson, Anne Ellermets, and Rachel Rooks

**Jerry O’Bee Award Nomination Form**

Nominator’s Name:

Nominator’s Organization, Telephone Number & E-Mail:

Name of Nominee:

What CRN Organization does they represent?

What CRN Committee and/or Project Activities has the nominee been involved in over the last years (please specify time period)?

What other caregiver related activities have they been involved in?

Please describe how nominee demonstrates the following **Core Values:**

* **Commitment to the CRN**:
* **Innovation**:
* **Energy**:
* **Passion**:
* **Vision**:

***Thank you for your Nomination Submission! If you have any questions, please contact Andrea Westendorp at*** [***AndreaW@aaaawm.org***](mailto:AndreaW@aaaawm.org)***.***

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