

July 13, 2016

Dear Dr. Adams,

Thank you. That doesn't say enough, but I want you to know that your expertise, your skill, your knowledge, what you do everyday that is unique to you in the way that you do it means so much to me, and, I am sure to many others.

Thank you for convincing me with your facts and research that, although I had almost no symptoms of heart problems, that it was really now the right time, the best time, to have my valves repaired. I am sure there was never going to be an ideal time for me to undertake this necessary surgery. With many people who depended on me and love me, especially my husband who is quadriplegic, it was a very scary thought to have surgery. But I am a person who looks at the facts, the numbers, the research. I was confident I was at the right place, with the right surgeon. I am so thankful for you. And, I am thankful for my local cardiologist who referred me to you. My recovery has been better than expected. I was amazed at the improvement from day-to-day after surgery. Now, it is 5 weeks post-surgery. I am feeling good. I am fairly sure that my good general health going in to surgery contributed to my quick recovery.

Thank you to all those who were part of my surgery, planning, pre-surgery, post..., ICU, and step-down care. I found everyone to be skilled, caring, friendly, and I was impressed at the pride that all the hospital employees seemed to have in their work. All this together makes for as good an experience as one can have as a surgical patient. Thank you.

I feel I will now enjoy more years with my husband, children, and my four wonderful grandchildren who call me "Me-ma." I cannot express fully how much that means to me. But, I want you to know that I feel you are a big part of that, and so once again.....thank you, Dr. Adams. Please keep doing what you do.

I wish you the best.

Sincerely,



Susan P