

Nightingale Tribute Poem

*When a calming, quiet presence was all that was needed,
they were there.*

*In the excitement and miracle of birth or in the mystery and loss of life,
they were there.*

*When a silent glance could uplift a patient, family member or friend,
they were there.*

*At those times when the unexplainable needed to be explained,
they were there.*

*When the situation demanded a swift foot and sharp mind,
they were there.*

*When a gentle touch, a firm push, or an encouraging word was needed,
they were there.*

*In choosing the best one from a family's "Thank You" box of chocolates,
they were there.*

*To witness humanity - its beauty, in good times and bad, without judgment,
they were there.*

*To embrace the woes of the world, willingly, and offer hope,
they were there.*

*And now that it is time to be at the Greater One's side,
they are there!*