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My decision to become a nurse was deeply influenced by my grandmother, who played a significant role in my life. During her later years, she faced numerous health challenges and required substantial support. As I accompanied her through hospital visits and witnessed the care provided by Extra-Mural nurses in our home, I gained a profound understanding of the nursing profession. My grandmother's heartfelt wish was for me to become a nurse who could treat vulnerable individuals with dignity and respect, and her unwavering belief in me propelled me through the demanding journey of achieving that goal. I had the privilege of fulfilling my grandmother's wish and caring for her towards the end of her life.

I am so glad I followed my grandmother's advice, as I have had a fulfilling career as a nurse. After over 30 years of direct patient care, my focus has shifted, and the same care and diligence I gave to my patients, I now give to my fellow nurses. In my current role as a resource nurse for Extra-Mural, my focus is on supporting and empowering nurses. Every day, I strive to provide them with the clinical support they need through education, mentoring, and encouragement. Obtaining a master's degree with a dual focus on teaching and leadership will help provide me with the skills necessary to accomplish this. I would like to thank the Canadian Nurses Foundation for supporting me in my academic journey.

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