Lieutenant Colonel Diana Davault RN, BSN of the Air National Guard surprised Doug and Lecia Pritchett, of American Home Care, with a Home Town Hero Award at their annual Employee Appreciation Party. This honorable award was commissioned by President George W. Bush to show appreciation to Employers of National Guard Reservists for their aid and support of them during their tours of active duty.

Colonel Devault, better known as "Diana" in the civilian world, joined the



American Home Care team in their east Texas Emory office as a field nurse in 2007, while still serving in the Air National Guard. Since then she has made many tours of duty within the states and abroad. In 2010, Diana travelled with the Guard to Korea where she spent several weeks assisting with the ACLS and PALs training of military medical personal in war scenarios. In 2009 her military tour took her to the Texas border where she and her Air Guard team provided dental and general medical care to over 1000 children who were uninsured and in need. When the war in Iraq began, she spent 3 months in Forth Worth coordinating medical records for the mass shipping of troops. In addition, she's been part of numerous disaster relief efforts including hurricanes Ike and Gustav. Through all of her tours in the last four years her work as an American Home Care nurse waited for her return.

Lecia Pritchett describes Diana as an excellent nurse who is very conscientious and detailed oriented. She said that although her military tours have taken her away from her work and patients for sometimes months at a time, her co-workers have always understood the importance of her role in the Guard and have gladly done what it takes to compensate in her absences.

Diana portrays her military career as both rewarding and challenging meeting licensure requirements and climbing ranks as a female officer. Only 10% of women entering the military achieve the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Throughout her military career she has experienced many incredible things as well as sacrificed personal life and safety for love of country.

The "Home Town Hero Award" marks the exit of Diana's military career as she announced her retirement from the military with over21 years of dedicated service to the Air National Guard. The Pritchett's were moved by the presentation and expressed their gratitude for Diana's years of loyal service to American Home Care and to our great nation.