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Nurse Tarin

frontliner hero Pandemic Twenty-Twenty dream begat nightmares

braveheart volunteer Kansas City to New York epicenter's core

lives saved, others lost dying and crying alone truck-morgue engines roar

souls flood ICU's loved ones watch death through veiled screens shift-change cheers buoy moods

> proud comrades-in-care memories for a lifetime you're my hero, too

Photo: Tarin's face after wearing PPE through a 12-hour shift

