



Daniel Corneja Prieto, Jr., M.D.

September 30, 1937 - October 16, 2013

Dr. Daniel Corneja Prieto, Jr., M.D. passed away peacefully on the morning of October 16 in his home in Gainesville, VA. Dan was born on September 30, 1937 on the island of Panay in the Philippines to parents Daniel Sr. and Isabel Prieto. After attending high school locally, he moved to Manila, where he attended college for pre-medical studies and ultimately received his M.D. from the University of the Philippines College of Medicine in 1963. Dan then relocated to the U.S. where he completed his surgical residency in 1968, but not before meeting the beautiful Nycthia Prieto (“Nikki”) whom he married on September 24, 1966, the start of a lifetime of love, dedication and laughter. The couple settled in Northern Virginia, where Dan established his surgical practice and became a pioneer in the newly emerging field of emergency medicine. In 1971, he founded Potomac Emergency Associates with three physician colleagues, solely dedicated to the practice of emergency medicine at the newly constructed Potomac Hospital in Woodbridge, Virginia. At that time, the concept of full-time emergency physicians was in its infancy, and emergency medicine would not become a formalized specialty until 1980. To meet a growing demand, the practice more than doubled in size under his leadership, before Dan retired into a life of spur-of-the-moment travel adventures with his beloved wife Nikki and their many friends. Community involvement was a priority for Dan in both his personal and professional life. He is remembered for volunteer work with the Woodbridge Lions club, as well as his deep involvement with the Philippine Medical Association, which

promotes the interests of Filipino-American physicians, while providing cultural enrichment to younger generations of Filipino-Americans. At various times, he was an avid tennis player and fan; master of weekend brunch, summer barbecue and precision sandwich making; virtuoso whistler and tune-hummer; zen gardener, antiques aficionado, Sharper Image devotee, and lover of sports cars (Mustangs and Mercedes only, please). He leaves behind Nikki, his loving and devoted wife of 47 years; daughter Nerissa (Vince), sons Dan (Adele) and David (Cynthia), and grandchildren Paris, Segen and Simon; brother Pat (Magdalena), sister Elvira and their families. He also leaves behind a legacy of the things that he held dear: family, hard work, humor (always) and a passion of caring for others. We will miss his spontaneity, his easy smile and laughing eyes, his wry, gently sarcastic sense of humor and appreciation of all things funny and ironic. He will be remembered by his friends as "Dapper Dan" for his sartorial elegance, and by his children as the dad who (wink, wink) paid for medical school by training lions at the circus. We love you and thank you for years of loving and laughing together, and for all you have given us as a selfless and caring husband, much-adored father and grandfather, fun-loving friend, and servant of your patients and the community. Viewing and prayer services will be held at Pierce Funeral Home 9609 Center St, Manassas, VA, (703) 257-6028 on Sunday, October 20 at 3pm and 7pm. Funeral Mass will be held on Monday, October 21 at 3pm at Holy Trinity Church in Gainesville. All are welcome. In lieu of flowers, kindly consider a contribution through wife Nikki to the establishment of the Daniel C. Prieto, Jr., M.D. foundation, providing financial assistance to aspiring student physicians in Dr. Prieto's home province in the Philippines. We welcome all friends and family to submit online condolences through his obituary postings at piercefh.com or legacy.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **20**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 257-6028
pfh@piercefh.com
<https://www.piercefh.com>

Prayer service

OCT **20**. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **21**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Holy Trinity Catholic Church
8213 Linton Hall Road
Gainesville, VA 20155
<http://holytrinityparish.net/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Daniel Corneja Prieto, Jr., M.D..*



October 21, 2013 at 11:33 AM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Daniel Corneja Prieto, Jr., M.D..*



October 20, 2013 at 09:15 PM



“ *Dear Nikki and Family,*

Please accept our heartfelt condolence on the passing of Danny. These must be trying time for you and your family but it must be comforting to know that he is now in eternal peace in his final resting place.



Sincerely,

Gerry and Lydia Gacad

gerry gacad - October 20, 2013 at 08:03 PM

OP

“ *To Nichia and family,
We will sorely miss Danny' smiling eyes and ready humor. Please
accept our condolences*
Oscar and Thelma De La Paz

Oscar De La Paz - October 20, 2013 at 11:10 AM

NS

“ *Nary and families, Le Auto Services purchased
the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Daniel
Corneja Prieto, Jr., M.D..*



Nary and families, Le Auto Services - October 20, 2013 at
07:13 AM

SA

“ *Samuel A. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies B
asket for the family of Daniel Corneja Prieto, Jr.,
M.D..*



Samuel A. - October 19, 2013 at 03:01 AM

NT

“*Dear Manay Nikki and Family,
Our sincerest condolences to you and your loved ones. The few shared moments with Manoy Dan left a great impact on us: his quiet solitude, easygoing smile, soft-spoken voice but mostly the unspoken words -- the way he looked at you lovingly and with great understanding. It was such an inspiration!
Our prayers are with you and your family in these difficult moments. I know that the Good Lord holds Manoy Dan in His loving hands.*

"Eternal rest grant unto to him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in Peace! Amen."

*Nane/Percy Tiglao and Family
Silver Spring, Maryland*

Nane Tiglao - October 18, 2013 at 07:26 PM

DS

“ Dear Ny and to your children , Nerissa, Dan, David and their families, please accept our deepest condolences on the passing on of Danny.

Max and I cherish those few times we shared with you, Ny and Danny ,on trips to antique shops in Virginia, having brunch with you, going to Wolf Trap, and my own fun sharing happy nostalgic stories in your beautiful house in McLean and once in a while just dropping by for no reason. We will miss Danny's kindness and some typical Filipino(Ilonggo) sense of humor when we laughed at jokes or some home town stories.

May Danny rest in eternal peace. Dr. Max and Daisy Canto Singer Potomac , Maryland

Its only when we truly know and understand that we have a limited time on earth--and that we have no way of knowing when our time is up--that we will begin to live each day to the fullest, as if it was the only one we had.

Elizabeth Kubler-Ross

Daisy C Singer - October 18, 2013 at 06:40 PM