



Dr. John Charles Rhoads

October 4, 1929 - May 13, 2014

On the morning of Tuesday, May 13, 2014, Dr. John C. Rhoads departed this life after 84 years. We will all miss his humor and spirit.

Born October 4, 1929, in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, the son of the late Mearl and Cecelia (McGill) Rhoads, John graduated from St. Francis College, later attaining a medical degree from the George Washington University Medical School. He entered the Air Force, living in Bermuda, Mississippi and Maryland, retiring in 1966 as a Major, before settling in his home of Manassas, Virginia. He spent his career as an OB/GYN welcoming newborns into the world with a swat on the bottom and a cheerful whistle. Some of his most cherished moments were with family and friends, playing golf, relaxing at Bethany Beach, and watching his favorite team (winning or losing), the Washington Redskins.

He is predeceased by his beloved childhood sweetheart of 49 years, Jeanne Buchanan Rhoads, and survived by his six children, Kevin, David, Mark, Rebecca (Baggesen), Phillip, and Richard, along with nine grandchildren, Nick, Amanda, Cecelia, Holland, Jake, Daniel, Leslie (Baggesen), Morgan (Baggesen), and Allie.

Relatives and friends are invited to honor and celebrate his life Tuesday, May 20th, at 11 AM, All Saints Catholic Church, 9300 Stonewall Road, Manassas,

VA.

Tribute Wall

RN

“ Dr. John "Dusty " Rhoads will always be remembered as a wonderful person and great doctor. I served with him in the Air Force as his assistant at the ObGyn Clinic @ Keesler AFB in Biloxi, Mississippi from 1960-1962. At that time he was a Captain, and he and his lovely wife, Jeanne had 4 small children. My rank was A/2C and he always referred to me as Air Woman Kostiuk. His response to his patients, when asked, when will I have this baby: "when the apple is ripe, it shall fall."
I have fond memories of this kind and gentle man and wonderful physician.
Sincerely,
Rose Kostiuk Nowak
Petaluma, CA

Rose Nowak - May 11, 2018 at 11:00 AM

SF

“ It is with deepest sympathy to hear of the passing of Dr. John. He was a wonderful man & delivered both of my children. We became great friends from the time I first went to see him while pregnant with my son. The most compassionate man I have ever known. We would laugh about my visits with his mother Cece when she was in Annaburg Manor. He will greatly missed by everyone who ever knew him.

With Deepest Sympathy,
Susan Fanslau

Susan Fanslau - February 25, 2015 at 10:09 AM

JM

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the Rhoads family. John was a colleague and mentor of mine. He was gentle, kind and wise. A true "Virginia Gentleman" and beloved physician. An example for all physicians.

JoAnne Gutliph, MD - May 24, 2014 at 07:43 AM

FM

“ My condolences to the family. John (Dusty) was my good friend through Southmont High School (Class of 1947). He was one of the best left handed basketball players in the Johnstown area and at St. Francis College. He could always be found on the basketball court or at Jeanne's home. Fred, "Fritz" and Jean Muncert

Fred Muncert - May 22, 2014 at 02:23 PM

WS

“ Dr. Rhoads was a wonderful doctor and person. We really loved him. His practice delivered three of my children; he delivered two of them. He delightful and funny. He always gave us good advice and direction. He was a credit his profession and the Manassas community. We will miss him. I was fortunate enough to see and talk with him at All Saints Church about a year and a half ago. He remembered me and my wife; it was great to see him. I will have that memory.....William B. Severe III and Bernice Severe

William Severe - May 21, 2014 at 11:22 AM

JP

“ *Deepest Sympathy to the Rhoads family on the loss of their patriarch.*

He was a true gentleman and friend to many, To know him was to respect and love him. He was a willing mentor to all. Few men reach his state of wisdom and are willinfg to freely give it away. He really did walk in Jesus shoes.

I WILL SURELY MISS HIM.

John Pauswinski,MD

john pauswinski,MD - May 21, 2014 at 05:29 AM

JS

“ *I was really sorry to see that Dr. Rhodes has passed. He was a great doctor. listener and could give great advice. He delivered 2 of my 3 children. Words are sso inadequate at this time. I will be praying for your family during this time. Dr. Rhoads you aere truly a GREAT man.*

Judy Swoope - May 20, 2014 at 03:46 PM

SP

“ *Stephen Smith, MD, President, Medical Staff, PWMC purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Dr. John Charles Rhoads.*



Stephen Smith, MD, President, Medical Staff, PWMC - May 19, 2014 at 12:34 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Dr. John Charles Rhoads.*



May 18, 2014 at 08:30 AM



“ *You are in my thoughts and prayers, tried to call him a few weeks ago but he didn't answer.*

*Our whole Family thought so much of him.
God Bless!*

Peggy Caudle

Peggy Caudle - May 16, 2014 at 06:31 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathy goes out to the Rhoads family. Dr. Rhoads delivered two of my children. He was a kind gentle man with a wonderful sense of humor. May he rest in peace.*

Lesley - May 16, 2014 at 04:07 PM



“ *The Del Pilar Family, Leticia, Jaime, Farah and Melinda purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Dr. John Charles Rhoads.*



The Del Pilar Family, Leticia, Jaime, Farah and Melinda - May 16, 2014 at 01:33 PM

JW

“ I was very sad to hear of the passing of Dr. Rhoads. He delivered two of my children and I knew him to be a wonderful physician and a kind man. His passing leaves a tremendous void in our community.

Joyce Whisenant - May 16, 2014 at 08:41 AM

JW

“ Joyce Whisenant lit a candle in memory of Dr. John Charles Rhoads



Joyce Whisenant - May 16, 2014 at 08:37 AM

MG

“ To the Rhoads family: Our deepest sympathy on your loss. Dr. Rhoads was an icon in our Manassas community, and will be remembered dearly by the thousands of people whom he served as physician and friend.
Maury & Vera Gerson

Maury Gerson - May 15, 2014 at 04:59 PM

NS

“ Nancy S. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Dr. John Charles Rhoads.



Nancy S. - May 15, 2014 at 03:36 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. John Charles Rhoads.*



May 15, 2014 at 10:15 AM