



## DR. W. James Werner

June 3, 1944 - December 2, 2014

Dr. W. James Werner (Jim), 70, of Haymarket, died Tuesday.

He was born to the late Linus and Thelma Werner on June 3, 1944, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Jim graduated from Northwestern University School of Medicine in 1970. He married Susan Bisbee in 1971 in Evanston, Illinois. Following two years of active duty as a physician in the United States Army at Fort Eustis, he and Susan settled in the Manassas area in 1974.

As a primary care physician Jim cared passionately for the well being of his patients. At the time he began working in Manassas there were only seven medical physicians practicing in the area. As such he treated a wide variety of medical conditions. Jim continued to serve his patients and the greater community up to his death through his busy family practice and as a Senior Active Physician with Prince William Hospital.

Jim played a significant role in the development of the medical infrastructure in the Manassas area through his work at the hospital. He held multiple positions in the growing hospital system and was a past President of the Hospital Medical Staff. He spent over 15 years serving as chairman of various committees and was directly responsible for recruiting a number of outstanding physicians to the Manassas area. Many of these physicians continue to serve in the community today.

During his free time, Jim helped Susan run Sujawe Kennels, which bred Lakeland and Airedale terriers for 25 years. He was also President of the Airedale Terrier Club of America for several years. He counted among his interests various computer projects, reading, watching baseball and spoiling his grandchildren.

Jim is survived by his wife and two sons, Jeremy Werner, of Bealeton; and Scott Werner, of Brooklyn, NY; and his brother David, of Elizabeth, CO. He is also survived by two grandsons, Vegas and Nicolas.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made to Novant Health Foundation Haymarket Medical Center. For information about opportunities to support the foundation please call (703) 369-8201 or visit their website at [www.novanthealth.org/haymarket-medical-center](http://www.novanthealth.org/haymarket-medical-center).

There will be a 2 p.m. viewing and 4 p.m. memorial service this Saturday at Pierce Funeral Home in Manassas.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 6. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

TB

“ I was one of Dr. Werner's 2 Lilly Representatives, along with my good friend Dan Nemeth-Barath. I used to play tennis with Dr. Werner. He was a wonderful human being. I am very sad. I will pray for him. God Bless him. Tom Bradley - Reston, Va.

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**Tom Bradley** - June 18, 2016 at 04:49 PM

MI

“ I have been thinking about Dr. And Mrs. Werner and family a lot the past month. My heart goes out to those left behind as they entered this holiday season and the anniversary of their loss.

*In all my memories of Dr. Werner, he is surrounded by light and full of kindness.*

*He was the first physician I worked for after NP school and the things he taught me become more relevant as time passes: what it means to be a provider, the art of medicine and care, and good old-fashioned 'doctoring' in its purest form.*

*I miss hearing him come into the office every morning; the office had life to it when he came... it was palpable.*

*I miss being able to go down the hall to talk with him about a patient. On at least a weekly basis I encounter a case I wish I could go down the hall and chat with him about. He was so wise, had so much experience, and he loved his patients and being their doctor. And I will always remember his advice to not be afraid to "punt it" when the situation exceeded primary care.*

*My condolences to the family for the loss of their patriarch. He was a special person to all who knew him.*

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**Michelle** - January 08, 2016 at 11:14 PM

TL

“ Teresa J. Lawler lit a candle in memory of DR.  
W. James Werner



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**Teresa J. Lawler** - August 05, 2015 at 10:45 AM

TL

“ I found out of Dr. Werner's passing when I went to his office two weeks ago to see how he was doing and to get my old medical records Susan was there and gave the news that he had passed December 2nd. I was working at PWH when Jim started there. He was a great doctor, caring and compassionate. helping me through some troubling ties and medical issues. My heart goes out to the family.

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**Teresa J. Lawler** - August 05, 2015 at 10:33 AM

TT

“ I learned of Dr. Werner's passing today. He has been our family doctor for the last 20 years and we feel a great loss.

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**Timothy Thomas** - February 09, 2015 at 11:40 AM

LM

“ None other like him. God knows I miss him. Not many knew about Cushings Disease, but he sure did. I don't know where I would be without him these past 25 years. I was lucky to have him as my doctor. He wasn't just a doctor, he was a friend. Thoughts and prayers to his family and staff.

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**Lynn(Haymarket) M.** - January 29, 2015 at 12:51 AM



“ *Dr. Werner was my physician for about 20 years. He was not only our doctor but beloved friend who genuinely cared about the health and well-being of the entire Grimes family. You will be greatly missed. With deepest love, sympathy and respect,*  
*James & Heather Fice*

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**Heather Fice** - December 24, 2014 at 10:31 PM

PE

“ *I am deeply sadden to just hear of Dr. Werner's passing today 12/18/14. I have been going to Dr. Werner every since I was 22 years old and moved to Manassas . He has seen everyone in our family at one time or another and was also very instrumental in helping me with my father and getting him set up with medical care in Manassas when I had to relocate him near me from Baltimore. Myself along with my family will greatly miss him. He was definitely a leader in the medical field and also how he treated his patients with kindness and taking the time to meet any/all obstacles that would come up along the way. You could talk to him about anything when you went to see him. If we only had more like him . He was one of kind. My sincere condolences go out to Dr. Werner's family.*

*Jan and Phyllis Earhart*

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**Phyllis Earhart** - December 18, 2014 at 03:13 PM

LD

“ We were deeply sadden to learn of Dr. Werner's death. He had been our family doctor for over 25 years. We always enjoyed sharing our "swimming" stories as our two daughters were swimmers as Dr. Werner's boys were. He will be greatly missed. Our deepest condolences to Mrs. Werner and family.  
Lois and Doug Deckert  
Terra Deckert Liddell  
Tess Deckert Fosse

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**Lois Deckert** - December 12, 2014 at 09:00 AM

GW

“ My Sincere Sympathy and Condolences. Dr Werner was a very compassionate and caring Doctor and was always kind and sympathetic to your problem. He will be missed.

George Whitfield (Former Patient)

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**George Whitfield** - December 12, 2014 at 08:56 AM

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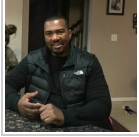
“ Condolences are extended to Dr. Werner's family. We had gone to his office when he was at the Manassas Medical Center many years ago when we moved to the area and moved with him to his new office where he started on his own. We really enjoyed knowing Dr. Werner and will really miss him. He was a kind and wonderful person.

Rest in Peace Dr. Werner.

Christine and Karl Yohn

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**Christine Yohn** - December 11, 2014 at 08:09 AM



“ *Dr. Werner was a really nice person. I only had a chance to meet him a few times this year but he was as very good guy and I want to pass on my condolences to his family.*

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**Paul Hutcherson** - December 10, 2014 at 10:49 PM

SL

“ *O how I will miss Doctor Werner. He's been my family doctor for years. As soon as I knew I was getting a sinus infection I would call his office and make an appointment. Sure enough as he walked into the room where I was I would start feeling better. He was so patient and so comforting. I was so sad to hear that he was gone. I'll miss you Doctor Werner. God be with your family. Sandi Large*

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**Sandi Large** - December 09, 2014 at 12:08 PM

SL

“ *What a great guy. Was taken much too soon. Dr. Stuart Lipskind*

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**Stuart Lipskind** - December 09, 2014 at 11:49 AM

LR

“ *Best Doctor ever. God I will miss him. RIP my sweet Dr. Werner. I cry tears of sadness. 😭*

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**Linda Reynolds** - December 08, 2014 at 11:00 AM

MG

“ *You were my doctor for many years. You were a good doctor. You will be missed.*

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**Mary Elizabeth Grissom** - December 07, 2014 at 02:31 PM

J(

“ My deepest sympathy for your loss. Dr. Werner was such a wonderful blessing to so many but especially to my family. He was certainly my sister's biggest advocate and without his support she would not have been able to give us all the memories we have with her. My family is forever grateful for all he did for Bobbi. May he rest in peace and fly with angels.

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**Jennifer (Jones)** - December 07, 2014 at 09:29 AM

FB

“ We move to Manassas Va in 1973, Dr Werner was our first Doctor in this area and remain our family Dr..through the years. Dr. Werner was a great family Doctor who treated all as caring Doctor. Will miss him, but thank God for all the good he did. I hope his family; children and grandchildren feel blessed for the time that they had together.  
Frieda Brugger

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**Frieda Brugger** - December 06, 2014 at 02:37 PM

PM

“ I have been a patient of Dr. Werner since he was at the Manassas Medical Center. I worked for years at PWH where I cared for many of his patients. My most memorable time with him and Susan was when I was fortunate enough to work for them at his practice. He sincerely cared for his family, patients, staff and friends. I am very blessed to have had this gentle giant in my life. Rest in peace Doc until we meet again.  
In my family's thoughts and prayers,  
Peggy Misciagna

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**Peggy Misciagna** - December 06, 2014 at 12:26 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of DR. W. James Werner.



December 06, 2014 at 11:30 AM



“ Mary McGlone lit a candle in memory of DR. W. James Werner



**Mary McGlone** - December 06, 2014 at 11:25 AM



“ Dr. Jim Werner and his wife Susan were members of Sudley Club for many years. Their love for the swim team provided many children with the opportunity to grow their hopes and dreams to participate in a wholesome family sport but also to develop into productive members of the Manassas community. While Jeremy and Scott both were outstanding swimmers, the Werner's commitment to the Sudley community was not about their children's accomplishments but their undying love for what Sudley meant to the member families. Jim and Susan never stop caring about Sudley years after Scott and Jeremy stopped swimming. This passion was evident in everthing Jim did in his life. The mark of greatness is not how long one lives on the earth but the impact one leaves on others. Jim Werner leaves a mark on the Manassas community in so many ways..we are all lucky to have known him. With much love, Dennis Miller

**DEnnis Miller** - December 06, 2014 at 10:00 AM

SH

“ *Shirley Hughes lit a candle in memory of DR. W. James Werner*



Shirley Hughes - December 06, 2014 at 07:38 AM

SH

“ *He was one of the best Doctors that I have ever known. God Bless you Dr. Werner rest in peace*

Shirley Hughes - December 06, 2014 at 07:37 AM

PV

“ *PAMELA VAUGHAN lit a candle in memory of DR. W. James Werner*



PAMELA VAUGHAN - December 06, 2014 at 07:04 AM

MK

“ *Hi Sue, I am so sorry to hear of Jim's passing. He was one of a kind who gave his all to whatever he applied his efforts to. I still remember my visit to Bear Mountain, oh those many years ago. My thoughts and prayers Re with you and your family.*

*Mareth Kipp*

Mareth Kipp - December 05, 2014 at 10:17 PM

NH

“ Sad to hear of Dr.Werners death,he will no longer be in pain.My daughter Melinda told me the grandchild was born so he got to see him.May God be with all of you.  
Nancy Harris

Nancy Harris - December 05, 2014 at 08:32 PM

HB

“ Our prayers are with you.Susan It has been years since we were friends with the Werners. Always remembering Susan and Jim.We moved after being in Rapphannock 40 years Now we are in Charlottesville So sorry to hear of Jim's passing.Remebering him in the Medical Center and Susan as a club sister. For a time.We loved their mt. home and missed them when we left. May the family be comforted by the tremendous popularity of their father and husband as a fine Doctor..Best to you Susan.

Helen and Bob Bridges - December 05, 2014 at 05:53 PM

MF

“ Marcia, Matthew, Lora, Sara and Families purchased the Amazing Arboricola for the family of DR. W. James Werner.



Marcia, Matthew, Lora, Sara and Families - December 05, 2014 at 05:09 PM



“ I was saddened to see the passing of Dr W. I have been a patient of his for 30 years. Jim was a great MD and will be missed. My thoughts and prayers go out to Susan and his sons.

Patti Edgar - December 05, 2014 at 04:50 PM

LB

“ God Speed to the Family of a *WONDERFUL DR*  
*Linda S Brown*



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**Linda Brown** - December 05, 2014 at 04:39 PM

TC

“ To the family of Dr. Werner : the Caniford family offers our prayers to your family, Doc was not only a great Doctor but he was truly loved by all of us and it's such a terrible loss, he was a fine "New York Yankee fan" and a true southern gentleman. He was my doctor since 1971 and he was all of my families Doctor, Cathy, John and Tracy, he will be truly missed if there is anything any of us can do, please do not hesitate in contacting us. God bless you Dr. Werner you were the best!!!

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**terry Caniford** - December 05, 2014 at 12:43 PM

RB

“ Growing up with Jeremy and Scott at Sudley Swim Club, the Werners were amazing to have as friends and Mrs. Werner and Dr. Werner took me into their home and into their doctors office and made me feel like part of the family. I remember driving up the mountain to their house, being fed large amounts of price club sandwiches heated up by the radar range first microwave! Rhythem the wonder dog and Jack too cause he would run away. I remember Dr. Werners laugh. Swim meet award ceremonies. The time we all spent in Ocean City NJ and the time you took me, Jeremy and Scott to Taj Mahal in Atlantic City. My prayers go out to you Mrs. Werner, Scott, Jeremy and all of your family. I am sorry for your loss.

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**Robbie Beach** - December 05, 2014 at 12:08 PM

BM

“ *Bob & Ellen Murphy purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of DR. W. James Werner.*



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**Bob & Ellen Murphy** - December 05, 2014 at 11:09 AM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of DR. W. James Werner.*



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December 05, 2014 at 09:13 AM

AA

“ *Dr. Werner was a very gifted physician and will be greatly missed! He has helped so many people over the years. May he rest in peace.*

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**Amy & Dave Atwell** - December 05, 2014 at 09:11 AM

DH

“ *Dawn H. purchased a sympathy card for the family of DR. W. James Werner.*



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**Dawn H.** - December 04, 2014 at 08:18 PM

AG

“ *Dr. Werner has been our family doctor since the 1980's. It was our pleasure having him as our doctor. He was one of the best men we have ever known. We loved him and will miss him very much.*

*Adelle, Terry, Terry II, and Timothy Grant*

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**Adelle Grant** - December 04, 2014 at 07:51 PM

RS

“ *I've been a patient of Dr. Werner's for almost 40 years! He was not just my GP, but also my psychiatrist (unofficially)! He helped me through so many difficult times and illnesses in my life! He will be truly missed, and leaves a huge hole in the medical community. He sincerely cared and took the time to listen to his patients...not something you see these days. Rest in peace Dr. Werner! You will be missed tremendously! You made a big difference in this girl's life! God bless the Werner family...my thoughts and prayers are with you!*

*Sincerely,*

*Robin Stilley (Warter)*

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**rstillley** - December 04, 2014 at 06:46 PM

HJ

“ *Dr. Werner has been my primary doctor for the last eight or so years. I have never been so at ease with a doctor the way I was with him. He will truly be missed.*

*My thoughts and prayers are with his family, and may Dr. Werner rest in peace.*

*Harvey T. Powers JR.*



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**Harvey T. Powers Jr** - December 04, 2014 at 04:29 PM

HJ

“ Harvey T. Powers Jr lit a candle in memory of DR. W. James Werner



Harvey T. Powers Jr - December 04, 2014 at 04:22 PM



“ Fruit Abounds was purchased for the family of DR. W. James Werner.



December 04, 2014 at 03:15 PM

LG

“ Working with Dr. Werner for several years, becoming friends with he and Susan and getting to know the Werner family has been a gift. Dr. Werner taught me so much about medicine and truly caring for others. He was a great listener and a great teacher. Not only did my children grow up in the office, but when my dog was sick, he spent the day there too!  
I hope Susan and the family know they may be greiving, but they will never be alone.  
Lisa Graham

Lisa Graham - December 04, 2014 at 03:04 PM

TM

“ Tom & Kathy McGlinn purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of DR. W. James Werner.



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**Tom & Kathy McGlinn** - December 04, 2014 at 02:20 PM

SM

“ I am honored to have worked with Dr. Werner for 25 years. He taught me kindness and patience for every patient who came to see him. I pray for him and his family at this time. Sue Miller

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**sue miller** - December 04, 2014 at 02:12 PM

MB

“ I first met Dr. Werner as a teenager babysitter for Jeremy before Scott was even born. From there I lived with the family and took care of the boys and the kennel during my summer breaks from college. I got married, had a child and went to nursing school, and once again found a place to work for him as his office nurse. He was one of the most kind and caring men I have ever known. I treasure the memories of our years together, and he will be greatly missed. Blessings and prayers for the family.

*Melinda Harris Brownell*

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**Melinda Harris Brownell** - December 04, 2014 at 01:02 PM

KW

“ I first met Dr. and Mrs. Werner when my grandmother, Josephine Speakes, began babysitting Jeremy and then later Scott. I loved the boys and played with them on their visits to "Grandma Speakes' house. I became a patient of his during my college years. It was so nice to have a doctor who listened and truly cared about you. I would drop by Mrs. Werner's office and chat with her about the boys. I felt apart of their extended family. When I received the news of his death, I was so heart broken for Mrs. Werner, Jeremy, Scott, and all his patients who loved him so much. My children CJ and Gwennie cried at the loss of their dear doctor who was like a Grandpa to them. I grieve for Vegas and Nicolas who will never get to be with such a warm-hearted selfless man. I am sure they will enjoy hearing many stories about him as a adoring husband; loving Father; devoted grandfather; and a gifted doctor to all his patients. Love, Kalyn, Carl, CJ, and Gwennie

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**Kalyn Wuenstel** - December 04, 2014 at 12:45 PM

KJ

“ Werner Family -

*Please accept our deepest condolences for your loss! Dr. Werner has been a rock of stability for many in family - my parents Jimmie & Norene Jones, sister Bobbi Baker and others in my extended family throughout the years. We are truly grateful for his time and service and may our lord cup Dr. Werner ever so tightly during his journey of celebration into God's kingdom!*

*Continued thoughts and prayers for your family at this most difficult time. May god bless Dr. Werner placing him at his rightful place in heaven!!*

*Kevin W. Jones and Family  
The Colony, Texas*

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**Kevin Jones** - December 04, 2014 at 11:47 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of DR. W. James Werner.*



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December 04, 2014 at 11:15 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of DR. W. James Werner.*



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December 04, 2014 at 08:57 AM



“ *Susan: So sorry for your loss. Jim was the first DR. to diagnose my late husband ruptured appendix & subsequent cancer. He was so kind to us at that difficult time.*

*After meeting him, my daughter Kristen became your babysitter, and I know Jim was one of the people who influenced her to eventually go into a medical career.*

*You and your family are in my prayers.*

*Carole Schick-Moyer.*

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**Carole Schick-Moyer** - December 04, 2014 at 08:17 AM

AF

“ We will miss Dr Werner tremendously as he was our family Dr for over 40 years. We started going to him in 1973 when we moved to Manassas. Two of our children still considered him their primary doctor. He was always honest and forthright when talking to you. He always had time to sit and discuss your situation and you never felt rushed. Not only was he top rate doctor but he was a great human being and friend. Barbara and I were so saddened to learn of his passing and extend our condolences to the Werner family and his employees.

*Al and Barbara Ferguson*

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**Albert Ferguson** - December 04, 2014 at 07:57 AM

LM

“ Larry M. purchased a sympathy card for the family of DR. W. James Werner.



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**Larry M.** - December 03, 2014 at 10:02 PM

LK

“ I will forever treasure the special memories of my special Dr JW. I was privileged to learn from him, work with him and have his love and friendship. My children grew up as part of Susan and Dr Werner's family, playing in the office on snow days and eventually working there, as well; how privileged were all of us to have this wonderful man in our lives to show us the meaning of true humanity, love, and selflessness.

Susan, Jeremy, Scott and family, you are in my prayers and my heart.

Love, Lori

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**Lori Kelley** - December 03, 2014 at 09:26 PM

LM

“ I feel blessed to have known Jim, he is one of the finest persons I have had the pleasure of knowing. I have known him since he was at the old medical center in Manassas. He opened his office in Stonewall Acres about the same time I opened my pharmacy. I got to know Jim & his wife Susan very well over the 31 years I was there. We got to be very good friends & I will personally miss him very much. Susan, Jeremy, & Scott you are in my prayers. Larry Morrison

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**Larry Morrison** - December 03, 2014 at 08:45 PM

DM

“ Dr. Werner has been my doctor since 2001 and I grew to truly appreciate his concern, intellect and care. Our world is a worse place with his passing, but oh my, what an incredible gift to Heaven...God Bless...

Don Morrison

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**Don Morrison** - December 03, 2014 at 07:07 PM

JJ

“ *Dr Werner Was one of the kindest most understanding, compassionate people I have ever met. He was my doctor since 1975, he will be so missed by all, so patience. His wife Susan and Sons and family have our prayers and will long be remembered in our hearts. As they were like family.*  
*JoAnn & Walter Johnson*

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**JoAnn Johnson** - December 03, 2014 at 06:36 PM

SN

“ *Dr. Werner has been our family doctor since 1974. We will miss his compassion and medical knowledge. Our hearts go out to Susan and family. Sam & Valerie Nealey*



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**Sam & Valerie Nealey** - December 03, 2014 at 05:15 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of DR. W. James Werner.*



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December 03, 2014 at 03:58 PM

EP

“ Dr. Werner has taken care of me and my husband since `1970. We were new to Manassas and he was pretty much fresh out of medical school. We always teased about growing up together. He was a man not only of sound medical knowledge, but also one of caring and comapssion, charisteristics that made him the great physician that he was. I always knew that he would listen to me whenever I needed a shoulder and I had trust in him and his judgment. He saw us through some pretty tough times and for this we wiil always be thankful that he played such an important part in our lives. We are heartbroken to lose him as I am sure are his many patients, but most importantly,his family. To his loving wife, Susan, his sons and their families, we offer our heartfelt sympathy and our prayers..  
Sincerely, Ellie Phillips

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**Ellie Phillips** - December 03, 2014 at 03:10 PM

LW

“ Thank you for the wonderful care and compassion you gave to both Dad & Mom over many years! Linda Whorton Winstead

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**Linda W. Winstead** - December 03, 2014 at 02:47 PM

LS

“ Dr. Werner was our family doctor since 1983. He was a great doctor - always listening and patient - and a wonderful friend. We will miss him greatly. Lillian Smith

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**Lillian Smith** - December 03, 2014 at 02:18 PM

DG

“ Dale Glines lit a candle in memory of DR. W. James Werner



Dale Glines - December 03, 2014 at 01:18 PM

DG

Dr. Werner has been doctor sense he was at the medical center in Manassas. He was the kindest person I know and will be missed. My heart and prayers to out to his family.

Dale Glines - December 03, 2014 at 09:13 PM

MM

My family and I will miss Dr. Werner forever. His compassion was unending. He was always there for our disabled son, he saved my oldest son's life. Few people touched our lives as he did. Our deepest sympathy to his family.  
Margaret R. Moore

Margaret R. Moore - December 04, 2014 at 07:19 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of DR. W. James Werner.



December 03, 2014 at 11:32 AM