



Dr. William "Gary" Shannon

April 4, 1946 - October 6, 2016

Dr. William "Gary" Shannon, 70, of Concord, NC passed away Thursday, October 6, 2016 at his residence.

Born April 4, 1946 in Charlotte, NC to the late Mary Walters Shannon and Charles Shannon, he was a graduate of Lenoir Rhyne and Wake Forest Bowman Gray Medical School. He served in the U.S. Army in Fort Stewart, GA.

Dr. Shannon was a physician at Rowan Regional Medical Center from 1978-2011. He was a member of American Medical Association and Medical Acupuncture Society. His interests were Legends Car racing and his painting.

Surviving is his wife, Kathy Moss Shannon whom he married on October 23, 2007; son, Scott Shannon and wife Darlene of Welcome, NC; daughters, Michelle Deese and husband Bryan of Faith, NC and Lisa Trexler and husband Nick of Mooresville, NC; and Lance Hanna and wife Angie of Concord who considered Gary and Kathy his "North Carolina Parents"; sister-in-law Kim Shannon and grandchildren: Gabrielle, Evan, Briana, Jessica, Aidan, Colin, Peyton, and Jaxon.

Preceding him in death in addition to his parents are his brother Phillip Shannon and step-son Justin.

Memorial service will be held at 6 PM Monday (Oct 10) at Summersett Memorial Chapel. The family will receive friends following the service.

To all his patients whose lives he touched for them to know they all touched him more.

Memorials may be made to Hospice and Palliative Care of Lake Norman, 705 Griffith St., Suite 203, Davidson, NC 28036.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Shannon family. Online condolences may be made at www.summersettfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **10**. 6:00 PM (ET)

Summersett Memorial Chapel
1315 W. Innes St.
Salisbury, NC 28144

Tribute Wall

JB

*“ I AM SHOCKED. I JUST FOUND THIS OUT TODAY (AUGUST 8, 2020)
WE SORT OF GREW UP TOGETHER.. ME LIVING AT 1902 MADISON AVE AND YOU AT 1905 . YOUR DAD WAS PASTOR AT GRACE METHODIST CHURCH.
WE USED TO GET TO PLAY IN EACH OTHERS YARDS AND TOSSED THE FOOT BALL AROUND.*

MANY FOND MEMORIES OF GARY !

REST IN PEACE MY FRIEND

JAMES BAILES, D.C., M.D.

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James Bailes - August 12, 2020 at 01:21 PM

MK

“ Doc you always made me have the best time for someone who had to come to a Drs office!You always treated me not only as a patient but a great friend!Your the only Dr I've ever meet in my life who truly cared for his patients the way that you do!!I miss you at the Drs office and at the track!Until we see again keep racing in heaven voodoo Dr!!

Mark Koontz - December 13, 2017 at 11:21 PM

LP

“ I was heartbroken to hear of Dr. Shannon's passing. He literally gave me my life back! Every time I spoke with him he thanked me for this silly charcoal drawing of his car. Such a kind person. My deepest condolences to the family and friends. Laura P.

laura poole - April 20, 2017 at 10:23 PM

RM

“ Gary was a pleasure to work with. He was always willing to help patients and staff. God bless

renee moore - October 21, 2016 at 03:40 PM

JW

“ Gary and I were good friends and senior classmates at Greensboro Senior High, powers that be changed the name to Grimsley while we were there. I live in Salisbury , NC. About 10 years ago when I was having severe back pain my Dr. sent me to the pain Clinic here in Rowan. Much to my surprise, Gary was the Dr. in charge, We had a great time reminiscing about old "Whirlie" days at GHS and racing which we were both into. I as a spectator and he as a participant. He helped me improve and get ready for a couple back surgeries which were both very successful. I thanked him for his help and , as usual, he was modest in accepting praise. I was sad to see him leave his practice here and it wasn't long until my wife showed me the newspaper listing his death. I was shocked and saddened. Sorry I couldn't be there on the evening of the 10th. God bless you all and keep your favorite memories of Gary heart always. Yours in Christ, Jeff Warner Class of 1964 PS: I lost my younger brother Bill on Jan. 17th this year and now I've lost another.

Jeff Warner - October 14, 2016 at 06:18 AM

JG

“ To the family of Dr. Shannon,
He was a very fine doctor and neighbor! He always helped me with
my back. Always a great listener and everyone like him! I was
shocked when I learned about him passing!
R.I.P. Gary

jamie Garner - October 11, 2016 at 07:04 PM

CA

“ Prayers to Kathy and Docs families. Its at times like these we
sometime struggle to find words to match the feelings of loss. "Doc"
as we called Gary around the racetrack could be described in many
of the "usual" ways, fun, kind, caring, friendly, dedicated, etc., etc.,
all of which would in the end describe a "good person"! I would like
to describe "Doc" in a way I think he would both appreciate and
understand, Gary "Doc" Shannon was a righteous "dude" and it was
a pleasure of mine for our lives to have crossed paths. Godspeed
Doc, Curt "Fatback" Andrews

Curt Andrews - October 11, 2016 at 08:02 AM

AH

“ My condolences for Kathy and her family. I'll be praying for you and
may the peace of God be with you. Love, Alexandra Hinds

Alexandra Hinds - October 10, 2016 at 04:55 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Gary will live on in our hearts



Jan Myrick - October 10, 2016 at 01:28 PM

FP

“ From your family and friends at PINKIC's purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Dr. William "Gary" Shannon.



From your family and friends at PINKIC's - October 10, 2016 at 12:42 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dr. William "Gary" Shannon.



October 10, 2016 at 09:03 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time.



Deanna Bruzzese - October 10, 2016 at 07:11 AM

MS

“ So sorry for your loss. Thinking of you and your family.



Mary Shue - October 10, 2016 at 07:10 AM

 Tika
Davis

“ I find myself at a loss for words. Dr.shannon was my doctor for 10 plus years. He gave so many hope. I always told him he was a healer and he was. He took his work seriously and loved so many. I will never forget him. The last visit at Rowan I gave him a celebration and he greatly deserved it. We cried together and had some good laughs as well. He will always be in my heart.

Tika Davis - October 09, 2016 at 06:59 PM

OJ

I remember Gary fondly from the Sunset Hills neighborhood growing up. I was shocked to learn of his death and wish peace and comfort to his family. I will never forget my childhood friend.

Olive Jordan - November 17, 2024 at 05:54 AM

DR

“ I worked with Gary in the 1980s while I was selling for DuPont Pharmaceuticals, calling on him at Rowan Memorial Hosp in the anesthesia Dept. He was one of those people who you instantly take to, so gracious and friendly. Saw him from time to time thru the years and always remembered me and wished me well. So sorry to hear of your loss, he was a wonderful guy.

Dick Richards - October 09, 2016 at 02:05 PM

JM

“ Such a delightful physician to work with, he touch many lives, healed many patients. I am a better nurse for knowing Dr Shannon. Rest in peace.

Jill McNeely - October 09, 2016 at 07:07 AM

DS

“ Debi Selle-Lentz lit a candle in memory of Dr. William "Gary" Shannon



Debi Selle-Lentz - October 09, 2016 at 03:52 AM

DS

“ I worked beside Gary in OPS from 1986-1993. He was one of the most caring, giving, and patient men. He was always determined to help his patients understand and reassure them about their surgical experience or to help them with their pain using his new found Eastern Medicine, Acupuncture injections, or epidurals. He would accommodate the appointments for their convenience even if it was after hours. He will be missed by at least half of Rowan County and beyond and was loved by more. Rest in Peace my dear Friend.

Debi Selle-Lentz - October 09, 2016 at 03:49 AM

DS

“ Debi Selle-Lentz lit a candle in memory of Dr. William "Gary" Shannon



Debi Selle-Lentz - October 09, 2016 at 03:39 AM

DS

“ I loved working beside Gary in OPS from 1986-1993, either talking to patients about their upcoming surgery or assisting him with his new found Eastern Medical procedures of Acupuncture and injections to help so many, including me with my neck, with their pain. He was never in a hurry and was always kind and compassionate. Never judge mental. He was determined to help each patient become pain free!!!! He will be missed by most of Rowan County and was loved by more!!! Rest in Peace my friend. My heart and prayers go out to his family.

Debi Selle-Lentz - October 09, 2016 at 03:34 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. William "Gary" Shannon.



October 08, 2016 at 11:26 PM

LG

“ Dear Shannon Family, -----I was so sorry to hear of Gary's passing. I knew him many years ago when his father was DS of the Salisbury District of United Methodist Church. My father was a Methodist minister in Concord at the time. Sorry to have lost track of Gary over the years. Prayers for your family!
Sincerely, Louise Rock Gardner

Louise R. Gardner - October 08, 2016 at 06:41 PM

DS

“ *Deb Stanton lit a candle in memory of Dr. William "Gary" Shannon*



Deb Stanton - October 08, 2016 at 06:33 PM

CJ

“ *So sorry to hear of Gary's passing. He was so good with my sister Jan Myrick and my husband Howard. He was a great friend and a wonderful physician.*

Carolyn Jordan

Carolyn Jordan - October 08, 2016 at 01:09 PM

JA

“ *RIP Gary,
What a wonderful Doctor you were!!! Also a dear friend! Sincere condolences to your family.*

jamie - October 08, 2016 at 11:55 AM

DP

“ *I will surely miss this kind human who treated people with love and compassionhe was a great teacher and taught me many things about people....he loved helping his patients and they adored him.....many told us at the clinic that he was the only Dr. that ever touched them...he knew the healing power of touch for sure.....rest in peace and know you made a difference.....love to you and Kathy.....Dona Peacock*

Dona Peacock - October 08, 2016 at 07:20 AM

KR

“ *Dr. Shannon was one of the nicest doctor at Rowan . He always was happy and kind. He will be missed.*



Karen Richardson - October 08, 2016 at 07:12 AM

KW

“ *Gary was a wonderful, caring, loving, smart man and doctor. He was a friend of mine for over 25 years. He really cared about his employees as well as his patients. He took the time to really listen to people. The funny thing about us was that we didn't like each other one bit when we were first introduced. That changed shortly there after. We have lost a great man. He will be truly missed by all.*



Kim R Whitley - October 07, 2016 at 11:04 PM

NP

“ *Norma Paiz lit a candle in memory of Dr. William "Gary" Shannon*



Norma Paiz - October 07, 2016 at 08:30 PM

NP

RIP Dr. Shannon, gone but never forgotten. You were a great doctor and a person. You will be missed by your RRMC family.

Norma Paiz - October 07, 2016 at 08:33 PM

JM

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. You touched so many lives and will always live in our hearts

Jan Myrick - October 08, 2016 at 01:11 PM