



In Memoriam

DORAN, Terence Alexander (Terry) (1929 - 2013) Age: 83

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Dr. Terence Alexander Doran, FRCS(C) It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Terry on May 18, 2013 at his home in Toronto at the age of 84 after a long and courageous battle with cancer. Beloved and devoted husband to Barbara (nee Sagar) for 60 years. Loving father to Susan, Molly, Michael, Peter and Mary. Cherished grandpa to Diane, Melany, Aidan, Kimberly, Jack, William, Margaret, Mehari, and Zerihun. Brother to Molly Pelton (nee Doran). Terry was one of the first Canadian obstetrician/gynaecologists recognized world-wide for his research, which focused on prenatal diagnosis. He was often referred to as 'the father of prenatal diagnosis'. He eventually became

full-time staff at Toronto General Hospital, Director of the hospital's Antenatal Genetics Clinic, and Professor Emeritus in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at University of Toronto. A patriotic Canadian, Terry loved being at the cottage or travelling with Barb and the family, golfing, camping/fishing with friends, reading, and volunteering with the Naval Officers' Association of Canada. Terry loved animals and children. He was the most honest and decent person we have known. Visitation/life celebration will be held on May 31 at the Toronto Hunt Club from 2:30-5:30 p.m., 1355 Kingston Road, Toronto. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on June 1 at Fairlawn Avenue United Church, 28 Fairlawn Ave., Toronto. If desired, donations in Terry's name can be sent to Emily's House Children's Residential Hospice, 558 Gerrard St. E., Toronto M4M 1X8, or sent to emilyshouse.ca Condolences/extended obit: <http://terrydorant.blogspot.ca>

An Article from 2011 – Terry & Barb's involvement in the Fairlawn Congregation, as written by his daughter Susan.

"Terence (Terry) and Barbara (Barb) Doran have been members of the Fairlawn congregation for almost 50 years and still regularly attend church today. Terry, at age 83, rarely misses a Sunday. Just like an old-fashioned love story, Terry met Barb on a blind date and says he knew right away "she was the one". Barb remembers it differently, saying they met at a party where Terry was "having a very good time". No matter how they met, theirs has clearly been a lasting relationship and together they built a wonderful family with five children: Susan, Molly, Michael, Peter, and Mary, and now nine grandchildren. All of their children were baptized and confirmed at Fairlawn and Susan is now the Sunday School Administrator. Susan's love of children is certain to have come from her parents. Terry was a renowned obstetrician/surgeon working out of Toronto General Hospital (TGH) and Barb was a long-time volunteer in the nursery, a job she continued to hold up until last year. Terry worked right into his late sixties and has many well-documented accomplishments, including his work as a first line medical researcher helping pioneer amniocentesis (amniotic fluid test), as well as his role running a top prenatal diagnosis clinic out of TGH, which was recognized as one of the best in the country. As a medical professor at the University of Toronto, Terry's published work was printed in a wide variety of international medical journals. Before practicing in Toronto, Terry fondly recalls as a young doctor he and Barb and baby Susan and later, baby Molly too, spent two years in Longlac, a small town in Northern Ontario where it was so cold that sometimes during house calls his tires would freeze making it almost impossible to drive. For all of these accomplishments, if you ask Terry to talk about his work, he is much more interested in telling you about Dr. Kenneth Shulman of Sunnybrook Hospital who diagnosed a slow-growing tumor in Terry's left frontal lobe about three years ago (the surgery had a successful outcome).

Terry cannot say enough good things about Dr. Shulman and credits him with saving his life. Over the years, both Terry and Barb have been very involved at Fairlawn. Terry was an usher, always assisted with the Fairlawn Grill and called congregation members to keep them in the know about church business. Barb did everything from folding church bulletins to helping out in the church office and staffing the welcome desk for the Neighbourhood Centre. Several years ago, Terry played the part of Herod in the church Christmas pageant. Susan played the Head Angel and her daughter Aidan was an angel as well. Having three generations of one family in the same play was likely a Fairlawn first! In recent years, Terry has become increasingly hard-of-hearing and asks anyone who hears the whistling of a hearing aid during service to feel free to ask him to turn it down. Terry doesn't want to let his hearing loss get in the way of socializing with others, so make sure you stop by and say hi next time you see him in church."

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