



Dr. John R. Lapp

December 16, 2020

Dr. John R. Lapp, 92, passed away on Wednesday, December 16, 2020. He was the husband of Miriam L. (Harwick) Lapp. They celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary in June. Born in Allentown, he was the son of the late Charles A. and Christine E. (Faust) Lapp. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church, Allentown. He had a family practice in Trexlertown for 37 years before retiring in 1993. During his time practicing medicine he formed the Trexlertown Medical Group. He served two years for the U.S. Public Health Service and was Chief Medical Officer at Chillicothe Federal Reformatory. He worked with Dr. Albert Sabin on trials of oral polio vaccinations. He was a graduate of Muhlenberg College, Hahnemann Medical College and interned at the former Allentown Hospital.

Survivors: sons, Jonathan D. and Jeffrey D. and his wife Michelle; daughter Jennifer A. Lynn; brother-in-law Stanley; nine grandchildren, Jesse, Jason, Nicholas, Daniel, Alexandra, Ashley, Camille, Olivia and Wiley; four great-grandchildren, Jadon, Isabella, Tucker and Tobin; one great-great grandchild, Maggie.

A memorial service will be held at a future date.

In lieu of flowers, a donation in John's memory may be made to Salvation Army, PO Box 147, Allentown, PA 18105.

Tribute Wall

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“ Dr. Lapp was the doctor for my parents and myself from my birth until I left the Lehigh Valley and he remained for my parents. For me, he set an amaazingly high bar for what a physician should be. Always taking his time, willing to share a joke or a story, compassionate and caring, even making house calls when needed. Even after he retired and he would run into his former patients, like my father and myself at the Farmer's Market, he would share memory and his wonderful smile. My deepest condolences to all who loved him. He truly was a very special man and I know he will be missed.

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