



Socrates Festin

February 13, 1926 - July 21, 2015

Dr. Socrates M. Festin, 89, passed away on July 21 in Atlanta, Georgia with his wife, Mary Anne Morin Festin at his side. Born in Odiongan, Romblon, Philippines. He was eldest son of Crispina and Simplicio Festin. He is predeceased by his sister Libertad “Betty” Galicha (Lope), Venancia “Nancy” Maravilla, his brother Capt. Tomas (Ida), his brother Samuel (Alice), his brother Juan “Johnny”(Sancha), and his sister Zita Fradejas (Peking). Socrates is survived by his wife Mary Ann, his sister Elsa Hufano (George), his children Kathy (Ken Kraft), Karen (Jack Daley), Christine Festin, Diane (Douglas LaRoss) and Stephen (Christine Burak Festin). He was Papa Nonoy to his nephew Paul John Fradejas (Kim). He was the very proud grandfather (Lolo) of 8 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren with one more on the way. He was uncle to numerous nieces and nephews.

Socrates studied General Surgery at the University of the Philippines and emigrated to the United States in 1953. He was recruited to work at St. Peter’s Hospital in Albany NY as a surgeon and he also over the years as an emergency room physician. In later years he continued to have a thriving private practice and worked in the South End Clinic in Albany caring for the less fortunate. His proudest career achievement prior to retirement was his induction into the Academy of Family Physicians as a Fellow. After retiring to Florida, he continued to be a caring physician as a Senior Physician at the County Health Department in Vero, Beach Florida where he received many awards until he was 87 years old.

His life revolved around his family. He was devoted to his wife Mary Anne. A strong believer in higher education, Socrates was very proud of the educational achievements of his children and grandchildren. Nothing gave “Lolo” more pleasure than spending time with his children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and attending family events. He was well known for his dancing skills and square dancing which he loved to show off at family weddings. Other than his love of family and grandchildren, his other passions were beaches, seafood, traveling in his RV, camping, and cooking Filipino food at Christmas. Socrates had an infectious smile and a huge heart. He will be greatly missed by all.

A Mass of Christian burial will held at St Joseph’s Church in Marietta, Georgia at 10 AM on

Friday July 24, 2015. The family will accept visitors at the church from 9:30-10 prior to the Mass. Following the service, Socrates will be laid to rest at Kennesaw Memorial Park Cemetery in Marietta, GA. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in his name to St Jude's Children's Hospital so that in death, he may continue to help those in need.

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Cemetery

Kennesaw Memorial Park Cemetery

1306 Whitlock Avenue NE

Marietta, GA, 30064

Events

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Funeral Service

10:00AM

St. Joseph Catholic Church

87 Lacy Street, Marietta, GA, US, 30060

Comments



“ Rest easy my sweet Dr Festin! I enjoyed our time working side by side at the Indian River County Health Department. You will be missed by many. Lynn Wandell, RN

Lynn Wandell - July 28, 2015 at 03:44 PM



“ Thank you Lynn. I will let my Mom know your kind thoughts. He loved working with all of you!

Dr. Festin's Daughter Karen Daley

Karen Daley - August 05, 2015 at 07:43 PM