



Daniel Graham Tanner, MD

October 28, 1924 - May 18, 2011

Daniel Graham Tanner, M.D. Daniel Graham Tanner, M. D. passed away May 18, 2011 at Hospice of Northwest Ohio after a long illness. Dan was born in Columbus, OH in October of 1924 and grew up with a love of automobiles, trains and airplanes. Throughout his life, he collected many antique cars including a 1925 Chrysler Roadster and his favorite, a 1939 LaSalle four door convertible. After graduation from high school, Dan immediately enlisted in the Army Air Corps to fight in WW II. After basic training, he was assigned to attend Denison University for advanced math and science study and it was there that he met his future wife, Mathilda (Mat). After Denison, his unit was sent to Harvard University for additional education where Dan studied meteorology and he eventually received his meteorology certification from the US Army Air Corps. The army scheduled him for deployment to Germany to provide weather conditions for allied bombers, however, the war ended shortly before he shipped out. He was honorably discharged and returned to Columbus to attend Ohio State University. Dan finished pre med in 1 ½ years and was accepted immediately into medical school at OSU. He received his MD degree in 1951 and entered a four year residency program in Gastroenterology at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, MI. In 1955 Dan and his family moved to Toledo to join the Toledo Clinic where he practiced Gastroenterology for 33 years. He served as president of the Toledo Clinic, was Chief of Staff at Flower Hospital and was a member of both Boards of Directors. Dan was also a member of the Rotary Club of Toledo as well as

several medical professional organizations. Dan was a man of many interests. He built and maintained a large, realistic HO scale model railroad layout and was a member of the local train collectors association for several years. He also loved to collect antiques including American and European clocks which he learned to clean as well as repair. His wife, Mat, and he made many friends along the way. Dan also spent weekends gardening and took special pleasure in his hostas and roses. Dan was extremely proud of his two children, daughter Mary Ellen Tanner of Toledo and son, Dr. Michael Graham Tanner (Marie) of Columbus, OH. He also thoroughly enjoyed his two grandchildren, grandson Stephen Graham Tanner (Kelly) of Columbus, OH and granddaughter, Christine Marie Tanner, also of Columbus. Dan's family would like to thank all the people who were so very kind and helpful to him throughout his illness including those at Heartland of Perrysburg, Hospice of Northwest Ohio and caregivers at home over the last two years. Dan is survived by his wife of over 64 years, Mat, his daughter Mary Ellen, son Michael and two grandchildren, Stephen and Christine. A memorial service will be held Friday, May 27, 2011 at Christ Presbyterian Church, 4225 W. Sylvania Ave. Toledo, OH 43623. Service is at 11:00 a.m. immediately followed by lunch at the church. There will be no visitation and burial was private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Flower Hospital Foundation, 5300 Harroun Road, Sylvania, OH 43560; Christ Presbyterian Church (address above) or the Salvation Army ARC, 131 Belmont Ave. Toledo, OH 43604.

Tribute Wall

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“ *with sympathy*

Peggy Martin - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I am sorry to hear of the passing of Dr. Tanner. I am very appreciative of the opportunity he gave me in 1987 to join the Clinic. He was a very good role model for me to follow. He was well liked and respected by the other Clinic physicians. His patient's always expressed fondness for him and gratitude for his care. I feel fortunate to have known him and learned from his experience and insight. One of the most important lessons he taught me was to find the balance between medicine, family life and one's personal interests. Sometimes this is hard because medicine can be so consuming. However, I have tried to emulate this. As the years have gone by I have to come realize the wisdom of what he taught me. I will remember him and you in my prayers.*

Kevin Behrle - kbehrle@toledoclinic.com kbehrle@toledoclinic.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I was very blessed to know Dr. Tanner. It was always a joy talking to him and listening to his great stories about his life and of all who touch him.*

Cindy Spohn - gbowtie055@aol.com gbowtie055@aol.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ IT WAS AN HONOR AND A PRIVILEGE TO KNOW DOCTOR TANNER. HE WAS ALWAYS A GENTLEMAN AND AN APPRECIATIVE INDIVIDUAL TO HAVE AS ONE OF MY PHARMACY CUSTOMERS. WHEN YOU SPOKE TO HIM HE SINCERELY LISTENED AND IN TURN WHEN HE SPOKE TO ME I WAS ALWAYS ANXIOUS TO LISTEN. IT IS A SHAME THAT THE END OF HIS LIFE HAS COME AND HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM. MY SYMPATHY TO MRS. TANNER AND MARY ELLEN AND OF COURSE THE REST OF THE FAMILY

JOEL LEVITAN - JLL1@BEX.NET JLL1@BEX.NET - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM