



Jon Peterson

March 14, 1943 - February 27, 2006

Dr. Jon Peterson -- Bourbonnais Visitation for Dr. Jon Jay Peterson, 62, of Bourbonnais, will be from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Kankakee, where he was a member. Father Charles Wheeler will officiate. Burial will be in Pine Ridge Cemetery, Loda. Memorials may be made to Provena St. Mary's Hospital, Riverside Medical Center, St. Ambrose University or to Hospice of Kankakee Valley. He died Monday (Feb. 27, 2006) at Provena St. Mary's Hospital. Dr. Peterson was a physician and surgeon. He was born March 14, 1943, in Galesburg, the son of Arthur and Mary Agnes Ward Peterson. He was a graduate of Rock Island High School and St. Ambrose University in Chicago and received his medical degree in 1969 from the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Chicago. He completed his internship at Cook County Hospital and his surgical residency at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee, Wis. He served in the U.S. Army from 1974-76 at Ft. Carson, Colorado Springs, Colo., attaining the rank of major. In 1976 he was assigned to a M.A.S.H. unit in Guatemala serving as a trauma surgeon after a major earthquake devastated the country. Following his honorable discharge in 1976, Dr. Peterson moved to Kankakee, joining Dr. James Kennedy in his surgical practice. After Dr. Kennedy retired Dr. Peterson was joined by Dr. Paul Rowland, Dr. James Hamilton and later by Dr. Robert Brockman. Dr. Peterson was forced to retire due to his sudden illness in October of 2005. He served both Riverside and

St. Mary's hospitals over the years as chairman of surgery, chief of surgery and medical staff president. He was a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, a member of the Illinois Surgical Society, the Kankakee County Medical Society and the Kankakee Country Club. Dr. Peterson was also the president of General Surgeons of Kankakee from 1976 to October 2005. He enjoyed golfing, reading, gardening, traveling, and spending time with his family and grandchildren. He will be remembered for his sense of humor, his dedication to his patients, his great knowledge, skill, talent and professionalism. He was much loved by family, friends, patients, and by medical and nursing staff. Most of all, he was a loving husband, father and grandfather. He will be missed by all who knew him. Surviving are his wife, the former Mary Ann Hamilton, whom he married Aug. 5, 1967, at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church; two sons and daughters-in-law, Jay and Myra Peterson of Frankfort, Jonathan and Michelle Peterson of Bourbonnais; one daughter and son-in-law, Jamie Ann and Jassen Strokosch of Oak Park; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Mary Sue and Albert Doyle of Rock Island, JoEllen and Len Gasper of Moline; one brother and sister-in-law, Ward and Sandra Peterson of Rock Island; and seven grandchildren, Jake, Andrew, Ben, Ava, Sam, Ethan and Liam. His parents and one infant brother are deceased.

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“ NULL##imported-begin##*Barbara Phillips (Former patient)*##imported-end##

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“ *Jon has added a great deal of flavor and pleasure to my medical life. ĩ½He was a wonderful surgeon whose judgment was always focused on the best interests of the individual. ĩ½He brought glory to God as he served our community. ĩ½He will be missed.

Linda##imported-begin##Linda and Craighton Hippenhammer##imported-end##*

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“ Although I wasn't in touch with Jon directly after graduating, I always kept up with him through other classmates and friends. Especially Maureen and Patrick Brandle. I was so sorry to hear of Jon's passing. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
Sharon Wood
Sharon K (Romine) Wood

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. He was a wonderful friend and a great person who will be missed by many.
Patrick & Maureen Brandle

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“ I knew John through his brother Ward from the time the family moved from Galesburg to Rock Island. I remember attending a Cub's game with Art, Ward and John. One of those great memories we are all clinging to now. Jon's light certainly did shine and will shine on in the many lives he has so brilliantly touched. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Jon's wife, children and grandchildren, his brother Ward and his wife Sandra, nephew Jeff and niece Jennifer, sister Sue and husband Al, nephews Mike, Greg and niece Molly, sister JoEllen and husband Len, nephews Patrick, Kevin and niece Bridget and 6 great nieces and 8 great nephews.
Dick & Judy Kennedy

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“ Even though I only visited Dr. Peterson a couple of times he made my time with him very fun and easy going. He talked to me during my operation, he kept me calm during the whole process. At first i was a little bit nervous never having an operation performed on me before, but he made my stay the at the hospital one of my most enjoyable times ever spent with or in the presence of a doctor. All doctors could've learned from him, the way he made his patients comfortable, he talked as if he were a friend not just your doctor, the kindness he showed me i wish every person had because i think our world would be a whole lot better if we all modeled our personalities and ourselves after him. so here's to you Dr. Peterson, "Thank you personally for being there when I needed you, and thank you for showing me what a real doctor should be like; caring, fun, relaxed, and good at what they do."###imported-begin###Andrew La Marr###imported-end###

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“ I shall always remember Dr Peterson. i ½I remember when he first came to town, I thought he was a student, not a surgeon. i ½Please except my deepest sympathy.###imported-begin###Barbara Phillips###imported-end###

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“ I just learned that Jon has passed, as I have been out of town for several months. We served together on various committees at St. Mary's Hospital, and I always valued Jon's input and presence, He was always right to the point and usually with a touch of wry humor, I regret that I was not there to say goodbye. He will be sorely missed at St. Mary's.

Charlene H.Dybedock,
Chairman

Board of Directors, Provena St.
Mary's##imported-begin##Charlene Dybedock##imported-end##

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“ Please accept my heartfelt sympathy, he was a wonderful man, surgeon, and friend, I have always enjoyed working with him.##imported-begin##Anne Miller##imported-end##

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“ I worked with Jumping Jon at St Mary's when I was a floor nurse and at Riverside as an OR nurse. I saw his bedside manner and his surgical skills, and he was by far the most skilled, level headed, caring compassionate doctor I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. He was also a great patient and nurse advocate. He cut to the chase. He got things done. He spoke when things needed to be said. And then he returned to his wonderful funny self. His wit was a remarkable trait. He had a unique and special relationship with everyone he came in contact with. You felt special when you walked away from talking to him. When I remember Dr. Jon Peterson I smile. I feel very lucky that he came into my life. I will always remember him. The halls of both hospitals will not be the same without him. God be with all of you in your time of sorrow as he is with Him.##imported-begin##Brenda McLaren##imported-end##

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“ I unfortunately only heard about Dr. Peterson's passing today. I had the opportunity to work with him when I had a summer internship working in Provena's surgical department. He was a very kind man who was very patient with me as an inexperienced college kid. He always took time to explain to me what he was doing and teach. I know that everyone on staff at St. Mary's absolutely loved working with him. He's going to be sorely missed. I wish I could have made it to the services, but like I said, I only learned of the news today. My sympathy and my best wishes go out to the entire Peterson family.##imported-begin##Jonathan Meisenbach##imported-end##

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“ Different members of our family were fortunate to have had Dr. Peterson's care. He was a skilled surgeon with an extraordinary healing touch. We always felt safe with him. May his family find comfort with the fact that he saved, extended, and brought quality of life to countless patients. Thank you, Dr. Peterson.##imported-begin##Peter and Cathy Safiran##imported-end##

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“ His talent and wit will be greatly missed. The medical community has lost a great colleague and friend.##imported-begin##Dr. Sheila (Cook) Baker##imported-end##

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“ Thinking of you at this very difficult time. Our deepest sympathy to your family.##imported-begin##Dan & Beth Salkeld##imported-end##

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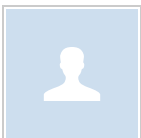
“ DR. PETERSON WAS ONE OF THE FINEST ĩ½OF MEN. HE HAD THE GREATEST SENSE OF HUMOUR, A HEART OF GOLD,AND EXPECTED THAT EVERYONE, INCLUDING HIMSELF TO GIVE THEIR BEST. I KNOW THAT I'M A BETTER PERSON FOR KNOWING HIM. MY PRAYERS FOR HIS FAMILY ARE THAT HE HAS TO BE IN HEAVEN WHERE THERE IS NO PAIN, NOR TEARS, NOR SORROW FOR HE TRUELY WAS A GODLY MAN.##imported-begin##MARIANNE SHIMANEK##imported-end##

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“ Mrs.Peterson and Family, Dr. Peterson will be missed by all who knew him. ĩ½You have our deepest sympathy. May God bless you all.##imported-begin##Joan and Harold Siefert##imported-end##

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“ I wish I could be there to celebrate the life of, "uncle Jon." ĩ½My thoughts and prayers are with you all. ĩ½##imported-begin##Adam M. Doyle##imported-end##

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“ My uncle Jon was eleven years older than me, and I remember how much I admired and looked up to him while I was growing up. ĩ½Although we did not get to see each other very often in our adult lives, my admiration for him never ceased. ĩ½He was a great role model, not only for me but for all his nieces and nephews. ĩ½We all wanted to be like him.

I always have been, and always will be, extremely proud that someone so good and so accomplished was a member of my family. ĩ½I am grateful for the time I had with him and grateful to him for helping me become the person that I am.

My family and I would like to express our deepest sympathy to his family in this time of great loss.##imported-begin##Greg Doyle##imported-end##

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“ We didn't know Dr. Peterson very well, but we were neighbors in Heritage Point for a while and our paths briefly crossed as our boys, John and Ken, grew up with Jay in school and Little League and occasionally dropping John off at your home or picking him up there. ĩ½While the boys were still in high school we met after the death of my husband, Bill, in 1985 following a heart transplant at Loyola; And shortly thereafter when Dr. Jon did surgery for our son John. ĩ½I also crossed paths with Dr. Jon much later in 2002 when I worked in Riverside O.R. for a short period of time and would run into him on Med-Surg occasionally. ĩ½He was always pleasant and seemed to have a good sense of humor. ĩ½I'm so sorry, Mary Ann to hear of Dr. Jon's death. ĩ½Words escape me. ĩ½I wish I could put my feelings into words. ĩ½Vicki Anderson##imported-begin##Vicki Anderson##imported-end##

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“ Dr. Peterson's Family:
 You have my deepest sympathy th
 hard time. Dr. Peterson will be missed very much. In Novembe
 Dr. and Mrs. Peterson were eating dinner at the Country Club while a f
 sponsored silent auction was going on in the banquet room. Since
 familier with the country club, I did not realize that I was in the dining ro
 members only). As I walked in, my boyfriend and I saw Dr. and Mrs
 and we approached their table. I was so glad to see Dr. Peterson c
 and gave him a hug and told him he was missed. I made a few joki
 comments about the silent auction and wondered what "the famous su
 donated. We said goodbye and when I walked out of the room, I re
 rudely interrupted the members dinner. I was embarrassed until I re
 He was glad to see me and that I was glad I saw him. I also wonde
 was the last time I would see him due to the unfortunate diagnosis. I
 was the last time I saw him. Mrs Peterson--I'm sorry to have interr
 dinner, but I'd do it again if I had the chance. As a nurse, it isn't tha
 we see doctors out and about that we are glad to see. Dr. Peterson rea
 about his patients and the staff. I hope other doctors use him as an ex
 Again, my thoughts are with you and your family.

 Angela I

 Angela I
 Med/Surg, 5 Tele Rn

 Angela Heldt###imported-begin###Angela Heldt###imported-end###

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“ Dr. Peterson was the best surgeon I ever worked with,he cared about the patient and the family. When things were bad he cared about the nurse also.I haven't worked directly with him for many years but I never forgot him or the kind of man he was,and it always made me feel good to know that he remembered me,he would always ask my daughter about me and if I was doing alright and did I still work.It was the little things he said and did that creates the lasting memories and in my heart there will always these memories.##imported-begin##Mary Jennings##imported-end##

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“ Mary Ann and Family,

We are so sorry to hear of your loss of Jon. ĩ½You are in our thoughts and prayers.

With Deepest Sympathy,

Jerry and Carla##imported-begin##Jerry Glade/ Carla Scheppler##imported-end##

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“ Dr. Peterson was highly recommended to me back in 1985, when I had my first bout with breast cancer.

I have held him in my heart all these years, grateful that he was the one who walked with me, through my journey.

I loved hearing the "clip" of his walk coming down the halls of the hospital. I loved his no nonsense bedside manner. I am grateful for his skill and medical knowledge. I loved that he really did care about his patients. It saddens me greatly that he is gone from our physical world, but he has touched so many, in such positive ways that he will be with us always. What a wonderful legacy to leave behind....."I shall pass this way but once....."

and boy, he sure did an awesome job!##imported-begin##Jean Stetson##imported-end##

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“ I can still hear the shuffle of his feet and the way he whined out the word "nurse" -- he was a wonderful surgeon, teacher, mentor, and most of all a compassionate person who did his best and deeply cared for his patients and families. Thank you, Dr. Peterson, for all you have taught me. I will miss you!###imported-begin##Christine Allen###imported-end##

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“ My Deepest Sympathy to you and your family. I worked with Dr Peterson several times on 3 west. He was a great surgeon and a good man. I understand totally how you feel. I lost my husband just 2 years ago. He was a mechanic at Napletons in Bourbonnais. He also worked on Dr car many times. ¶½He thought very highly of him.

God Bless all of you.###imported-begin##Chris Doris###imported-end##

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“ My prayers are with you - Dr. Peterson's family. ¶½During my years as St. Mary's, I knew and admired Dr. Peterson, his skill as a surgeon and his life as a member of our hospital family. ¶½¶½His were healing hands and a healing heart. ¶½I know from others at St. Mary's, that his illness and death touched so many other professionals with whom he worked. ¶½May God bless all of you with peace in this time of sorrow. ¶½Sister Evelyn###imported-begin##Sister Evelyn Varboncoeur, sscm###imported-end##

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“ Just a note to Dr. Peterson's family to say how wonderful I think he was and grateful for his care.##imported-begin##patricia Wolf##imported-end##

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“ Mrs. Peterson,

My mother, Janice Sims, called me recently about Dr. Peterson. I will never forget the kindness you and Dr. Peterson extended to me when I joined Jon at Marmian for his high school Homecoming game and dance so many years ago. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Please extend my sympathies to Jon. It has been years since we have spoke, and at times like these, it is a constant reminder to never lose touch.

With Gods blessing,

Kathleen (Sims) Ringenberg##imported-begin##Kathleen (Sims) Ringenberg##imported-end##

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“ Dear Mary Ann and family,

So sorry to hear of Jon's death. My heart aches for all of you. ĩ½And Jay, hold onto those memories and ask for help when you need it. ĩ½Like you, my girls miss those Sunday night phone calls also. We will continue to keep all of you in our prayers as you make this journey.

THE HUTCHINSON GALs##imported-begin##Mary C. Hutchinson##imported-end##

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“ Dear Marianne, Mary Ann (I confess I have forgotten the spelling of your name!),

We offer our sympathy at the loss of your husband and at an age when you were perhaps, in other circumstances indulging in grandparent pleasures and anticipating enjoying retirement together.

I shall happily retain a good memory of the welcome we felt at your home, the times the Great Books met there. Your husband, though not a member of our little discussion group for a lot of reasons obvious to us concerning his demanding profession, never failed to greet us or stop in the livingroom to say hello, as our group met, or to pause as he himself came in.

Over the years we heard many good things about your husband and know that his reputation of personal attention and sincere caring will buoy you up as you think about his contributions to his field and the local community's health.

Mary Ann, may you find your way through grief and a time of refreshment and clarity of direction as time passes and you lean on your support system, of family, friends, Hospice and the church community, faithful to prayer.

Sincerely,

Elmira##imported-begin##Elmira Smith Wilkey##imported-end##

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“ Dear Peterson Family:

We reach out to you across the miles to join you in sharing your loss. In our reflection we recognize that our lives are so much richer because of the blessings God has sent us through the life of our beloved physician, friend and neighbor, 'Doc Peterson'. We lift our prayers to God, petitioning him to comfort each and everyone of you with his presence and abiding love. May God fill you with every spiritual blessing.##imported-begin##Boris & Jeanette Zurisk##imported-end##

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“ In addition to his great surgical skill, John was a strong leader in the medical community, carrying on in the tradition of Jim Kennedy. Dr. Peterson was never overbearing or self-serving or partisan, and yet he always spoke up for what he felt was right. All of us will miss John in many ways.##imported-begin##Ken Johnston##imported-end##

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“ Dr. Peterson was the most compassionate and honorable physician that I had the privilege to work with during my many years as a nurse at PSMH. He will certainly be missed.##imported-begin##Terry and Theresa Tibbetts##imported-end##

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“ I met Dr. Peterson in 1978 when my dad was seriously ill and Dr. Peterson was a young doctor who did emergency surgery on him. Although my dad did not survive, I wrote Dr. Peterson a note saying how kind and concerned he was. I told him that I hoped he kept his high level of interest and sincerity throughout the years. I had no reason to deal with him after that, but have always remembered him with great respect. I'm sorry to hear about his death - he will be missed by many I'm sure. Sincerely, Sue Hoskins##imported-begin##Sue Hoskins##imported-end##

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“ Dr. Peterson was a great and wonderful
Doctor. He will be surely miss. He took
care of me and my husband Josphe
Gagnon and my father Herbert Bull. I thank God every day
that I had him for a Doctor.##imported-begin##Nancy
Gagnon##imported-end##

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“ Dr. Jon Peterson was a highly skilled surgeon and his death is a
tremendous loss to the community. His wit made him enjoyable
to work with, and his sincerety made him someone you were proud
to work with. However, I know the loss is felt most by family and
friends who were a close part of his personal life, and my heart
goes out to you. May God give all of you the strength and time
you need to work through this difficult time.##imported-
begin##Linda Rink##imported-end##

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“ Dad,

Only a few days have passed and I
miss you dearly. Your Saturday call to catch up was not
received and it only adds to the pain of your passing. I am only
left with many fond memories and the fact that you are with me.
I love you Dad.
Your son,
Jay##imported-begin##Jay Peterson##imported-end##

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“ One of the things I liked best about Jon was his candor - no hidden agenda. i½He was a doctor's doctor - skilled, compassionate, wise, i½and dedicated. He was a role model for many of us. i½I will miss him. i½May God be with you as He is with Jon.##imported-begin##Ed and Roberta Slaby##imported-end##

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“ It was always a pleasure to work with Dr. Peterson. i½He will be missed.

My thoughts and prayers to Dr. Peterson's Family & Friends.##imported-begin##Rose Kieffer##imported-end##

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“ We are so sorry to hear of Jon's passing. i½He was i½always so kind and professional when treating patients in the ER. i½We both were treated by him over the years and had the greatest respect for him. i½##imported-begin##Nick & Shirley Africano##imported-end##

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“ May God Bless Doctor's soul and comfort the family. i½Thou Doctor and Jay openly discussed his illness with me last fall, the announcement of Doctor's passing, while out of the area, struck me hard and has not lessen. i½My prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##Chuck Riker##imported-end##

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“ I will never forget Dr. Peterson, as he was there for me through my surgeries, my fathers and my brother-in-laws. He was truly the best! May our God reward him with his heavenly reward for he was not only the best surgeon I knew and trusted, but also a humble servant of our God. My deepest sympathy to his beloved family.##imported-begin##Deborah LeSage##imported-end##

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“ I had the opportunity to learn much working on 2west at PSMH and caring for many of his patients. Dr Peterson was a great person, skilled surgeon, and had a caring soul, all encased with a terrific sense of humor.

He will be missed by many. My thoughts and prayers are with Maryann and her family.

##imported-begin##Kim Hickory##imported-end##

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“ Dear Mary Ann,

My deepest sympathy on your loss. While life separated us over the years

since your wedding, I have never forgotten Jon and his great sense of humor. I majored in chemistry at St. Ambrose, worked with Jon nights at Moline Public Hospital, and was a friend of your brother, Jim.

You and your family are in my prayers.

Sincerely - Chuck Quilty##imported-begin##Chuck Quilty##imported-end##

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“ Dear MaryAnn & Family,
I am deeply saddened by the news of Jon's passing. While our careers after medical school took us to different parts of the country, Jon often remained in my thoughts. It seems like only yesterday when we shared our times together in Chicago.
May the memory of his love surround you now and bring you peace.
##imported-begin##Marty Shaffer##imported-end##

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“ Dr. Peterson was a doctor who always had time and patience with you. I had problems for years with cyst on my breasts that he would aspirate. He would always kidding in telling me the good news is that as you get older they will go away and the bad news is until then we will have to use a needle and aspirate. I don't know if you remember but about a couple of years ago when Dr. Peterson and his wife were at the Princess Cafe in Beecher and I bought the doctor a drink, his wife came over to our table and asked what this was for and I then spoke of kind words about her husband and how caring and understanding he was as a doctor, it was the least I could do. I want to express my sincere sympathy in the loss of such a remarkable doctor and also as a loss to you and your family.##imported-begin##Joyce Urban##imported-end##

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“ Dr. Peterson will be tremendously missed in the health care arena.
½This area has benefited greatly by having him to care for and mentor all of us. He was a very intelligent ,compassionate, and dedicated surgeon. I have known and worked with him for 12 years. He will be sadly missed and never forgotten. God Bless you and all of his family and loved ones.##imported-begin##Jennifer Klecan##imported-end##

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“ Dear Mary Ann and family,

Please accept our heartfelt sympathy. ½We remember Jon with fondness. ½May you take comfort in your children, grandchildren and the legacy Jon left behind.

Paul and Sheila Vakselis##imported-begin##Dr. and Mrs. Paul Vakselis##imported-end##

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“ he will be missed##imported-begin##shirley hedger##imported-end##

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. ½May your faith comfort you during this difficult time. ½He has left an empty spot in everyone's heart. ½Please accept our sincerest condolences.##imported-begin##Anita Yovich##imported-end##

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“ Jon was a great surgeon and an astout physician. He was outspoken when it came to patient advocacy and care but never overspoken. I will miss his many "Petersonisms" in the endoscopy lab and feel privledged to have known him and been able to practice medicine in conjunction with him. He will truly be missed. Our deepest sympathy to his family.##imported-begin##Ed and Laura Jurkovic##imported-end##

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“ Dr. Peterson

I was a patient of Dr. Peterson and he was a wonderful physican. He was the kindest man and always showed his concern for my well being as person. He always made me feel confident and trusted his opinon on what to do. I will truly miss him. I pray for the family that God will give them strength to go through this time of sorrow. May God Bless you##imported-begin##Pam Crump##imported-end##

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“ I am deeply saddened by the news of Jon's death. He and I had talked back in November right after he had learned what was going on. Even with the news, he was his usual sardonic and witty self. Jon was one of the most outstanding physicians I ever had the opportunity to be associated with. A caring and concerned individual who brought his dedication to his profession to the hospital each and every day. He would whine some, but this was the mask of his deep and abiding love for his work and his patients he served.

My deepest sympathies to MaryAnn and the kids and their families. I shall miss him greatly. God's speed, Jon.

Allan##imported-begin##Allan Sonduck##imported-end##

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“ Each day as he would walk unto our floor at St.Mary's, he would bring a smile to everyones face, not just us nurses. Even when the day was long and everyone was tired, he would brighten the day with his great sense of humor. He will be sadly missed by all.##imported-begin##Crystal Causey##imported-end##

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“ To Dr. Peterson's family,

When I read the obituary in the paper, I felt everything that was said as a tribute to Dr. Peterson was a statement my husband and I could have said. He was such a patient, caring, skilled doctor who we had complete trust in for viewing our health issues. We will miss him and feel the loss. Our prayers are with you all. Thank you for sharing him with us.##imported-begin##Ron and Gale Dodge##imported-end##

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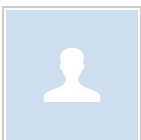
“ To the Peterson family,

I just wanted to tell you how much your father/husband meant to our family. He is a very compassionate man, and an awesome surgeon. He helped us through some very tough times. He was definately one of God's angels!!!

My family is praying for you!!

Lisa##imported-begin##lisa miramontes##imported-end##

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“ Sorry for your loss. I (Debra) was one of his patient and he was very kind and a very good surgeon.He was very considerate of how i was and how i felt when i was under his care.##imported-begin##Debra and Robert Bigler##imported-end##

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“ We are put on earth to make our life matter. ĩ½That is certainly the case with Dr. Peterson's life. ĩ½

I hope all are celebrating his life.##imported-begin##Stephanie and Gene Drummer##imported-end##

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“ was an excellent doctor with terrific bed side manners I am sorry for your loss and the medical community as well##imported-begin##Byron Scherer##imported-end##

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“ Although I only knew Dr. Peterson for a very few short months in 2004 when he cared for me as my surgeon at Provena St. Mary's Hospital, I feel that I've lost a very important person in my life. ĩ½
He was truly a caring individual, concerned about me as a human being, worthy of his undivided attention when he visited with me in the hospital or MedCentre, where he followed up on my cure from surgery. ĩ½
My deepest sympathy to his wife, children, and grandchildren upon your loss.##imported-begin##MFEMFEMF MFEMFEMF##imported-end##

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“ I saw the care and concern he gave to my fiancée when he performed surgery for her in 2004; also, the care and concern he extended in his followup care of her at the MedCentre East a few months after her surgery. ĩ½He was a truly dedicated physician. ĩ½My deepest sympathy to his wife, children and grandchildren.##imported-begin##August Jordan, Sr.##imported-end##

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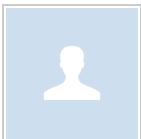
“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. ĩ½Dr. Peterson performed several surgical procedures on Ralph.

Years ago, we managed the Exline Gun Club, Kankakee, IL and Dr. James Hamilton did a lot of trapshooting at Exline. ĩ½He became a good friend as well as our physician.

Sorry we couldn't express our sympathy in person.

##imported-begin##Ralph & Natalene Ferrari##imported-end##

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“ I wanted you to know my heart aches with yours. ĩ½Dr. Peterson used to always tease me about me being a caddy for my husband when he golfed and cleaning his clubs. ĩ½He asked me why I couldn't clean his clubs for him. ĩ½He always brought a smile to my heart whenever I worked with him. ĩ½We have many Peterson lines that we will cherish forever in our O.R. ĩ½He was a wonderful man, very compassionate to his patient's. ĩ½He touched many, many lives. ĩ½God Bless!

 ĩ½##imported-begin##Valerie Faletti##imported-end##

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“ Dr. Jon Peterson was a very good surgeon, had good sense of humor, and was dedicated to his patients and their families. We will miss his smiling face. Our prayers and thoughts with him and his family.##imported-begin##Sr. Krystyna Kosakowska##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##Sandra Barzantny Offermann##imported-end##

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“ Jon was the person that we all aspire to be like. ĩ½He was a good husband, a good father and a good doctor. ĩ½His sense of humor, his skill as a surgeon and his kinship with his friends, his patients and his colleagues will be truly missed. ĩ½The hallways of both hospitals in Kankakee suddenly seem emptier.

Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

##imported-begin##Abe Thomas##imported-end##

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