



Bruce Robert Hanson

October 13, 1959 - July 28, 2022

Bruce Hanson, MD, 62 of Minneapolis, long time physician at Minneapolis VA Medical Ctr, passed peacefully 7/28/22 after a short illness. A memorial service will be held at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Edina, MN on Saturday, September 10th, 2022 @ 11:00 AM with visitation one hour prior.

Tribute Wall

KR

“ I wanted to add to the rest of the accolades that were left here for Dr. Hanson.

I'm a veteran that moved back from Amarillo to Minnesota to get both quality and continuity of medical care that I was not getting in the city in Texas that I was living in.

From my first visit with Dr. Hanson proved to be an experience that left a mark of positive care on my heart that will last forever.

Doctor Hansen actually took an extended amount of time to actually read my very busy medical chart that followed me from Texas. And the first question he asked me is why are you not on pain medication?

I was able to explain to him what it happened in the system in Texas because they were cutting back on anything that anyone was taking in their facility that was on the list of opioids classifications which proved to be very very extensive and it left me and many other veterans immediately without any pain control coverage.

He immediately put me on a pain medication that has worked better than anything that I was on before. He's also from then spent time figuring out what needed to be done even if it took more time than the 10 or 15 minutes that were supposed to be allotted for an appointment so that he was comfortable with my care. I now am in the system filling the void I'm missing Dr. Hansen's care very much.

Ken Robertson - August 29, 2022 at 02:23 PM

MS

“ Dr. Hanson cared for both my father and my brother over several decades. To say that in each case he literally saved their lives is an understatement. I am not a veteran, but worked closely with Dr. Hanson on the care and guidance he provided to my family members. I was struck by his knowledge, dedication, accessibility, responsiveness and empathy. In the view of our family, he was truly one of a kind. My father passed away long ago, but had a wonderful end to his life with the help of Dr. Hanson. My brother is distraught at Dr. Hanson untimely passing and continues to have the deepest admiration for him as do I.

Mark Steinweg on behalf of Gordon Sr. and Gordon Jr. Steinweg

Mark Steinweg - August 15, 2022 at 10:25 AM



“ Dr Hanson was my physician for years. He helped me during some of my worst moments, and was always there to check in with me, and would not hesitate to call me personally to check in. He will be missed.

Joel Sutter - August 06, 2022 at 09:19 PM

MH

Thank you Joel for sharing these memories of my brother. He loved caring for the Veterans.

Mary Hanson - August 07, 2022 at 01:02 PM

GM

“ Dr. Hanson was a special doctor and touched my husband Greg's life with his empathy, care, sense of humor, and dedication to his veteran patients. We were saddened to hear of his passing. That truly is a deep loss to the veterans that he cared for. May he be at peace!

Greg & Kathy Piche' Mounds View, MN - August 06, 2022 at 08:53 PM

MH

Thank you for sharing these memories. It is comforting to know how much of a difference he made.

Mary Hanson - August 07, 2022 at 01:00 PM

CC

Such a loss! I met Dr. Hanson when I retired from the Navy in 2007. Since then he was my VA primary care doctor. Last year I mentioned that my wife and I might move from the area in a year or two, since our in-laws are now gone and we want to relocate nearer the grandkids.

He told me "Please make sure to schedule an appointment so I can make sure you get into VA care on the other end and have a smooth transition."

Such a dedicated guy, and he had a great sense of humor. Although I didn't use the VA for all my care, I looked forward to our chats when I did.

He's together with his wife now. Prayers to you, Mary and the rest of the Hanson relatives.

Captain Jim Coulson, USN ret.

CAPT Jim Coulson - August 08, 2022 at 06:25 PM

WS

he was the best intern i worked with at u of mn residency:smart, funny, dedicated and practical. not surprised that he did so well. warren shepard md, litchfield.

warren shepard - August 09, 2022 at 08:58 AM