



Dr. Richard Olani Anderson

November 22, 1934 - August 27, 2024

Anderson, Richard O. "Dick" Age 89 of Edina, MN. Passed away on 8/27/2024. Dick was born November 22, 1934, to Alfred "Andy" Theodore and Olga Peterson Anderson in Manistique, MI. He is preceded in death by his wife of 46 years, Mary Anderson, his brother Paul, and his parents. He is survived by daughter, Karin (Daniel) Muldowney and their children Shaelyn and Jillian; son Eric (Kathleen) Anderson and their children Jennifer and Katie; daughter Kristin (Steven) Ranum and their children Erin, Nathan, and Matthew; brother Bill and sisters Mary and Margaret; and significant other Pat Kreuziger of 17 years. Dick graduated valedictorian of his high school in Ironton, MN in 1953. He played trombone in the Senior Band from 7th-12th grade. He attended the University of Minnesota for pre-med from 1953-1957 and for medical school until 1960. He completed his residency at Strong Memorial Hospital at the University of Rochester Medical School in New York. He had a Medical Internship from 1960-1961 and was an Assistant Resident in Medicine from 1961-1962. He then completed his residency in Psychiatry from 1962-1965. Dick's next step was as a Staff Psychiatrist from 1965-1967 at Womack Army Hospital and Mental Hygiene Clinic at Fort Bragg, NC. He then moved to the position of Director and Psychiatrist at Chemung County Medical Clinic in Elmira, NY from 1967-1976. He then worked as the Chairman of the Mental Health Department at St Louis Park Medical Center. He then moved onto being a fulltime staff psychiatrist at Park Nicollet Medical Center (formerly St. Louis Park Medical Center). Then, Dick was with the

Health Research and Management Group as Medical Director and staff psychiatrist in Minneapolis Minnesota from 1986-1987 and a staff psychiatrist at HealthPartners from 1987-2004. He then moved on to the Associated Clinic of Psychiatry as a staff psychiatrist in Minneapolis, MN from 2005-2023. Dick's specialty in psychiatry was treating Anxiety, Panic Disorders, Phobias, and Social Anxiety Disorder. He developed his own approach treating these disorders with Cognitive Behavioral Therapy. He assisted patients with finding medications to meet their needs, but his passion was leading group therapy for these disorders. Outside of work and in retirement Dick enjoyed the arts, the Guthrie, Orchestra Hall, and playing the trombone, especially playing in the St. Louis Park Community Band. He also enjoyed working in his yard, photography, biking and traveling. Memorials preferred in lieu of flowers to the St. Louis Park Community Band; please make checks payable to "SLP CB President", c/o Kent Malcomson, 4750 East 53rd Street, #405, Minneapolis, MN 55417 or <https://slpband.org/> Memorial Service 2pm Sunday, September 15th with visitation beginning at 1pm at Washburn- McReavy Edina Chapel, 5000 West 50th St., Edina. A reception will follow the service. Private interment Lakewood Cemetery. www.washburn-mcreavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **15**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Edina Chapel
5000 West 50th & Highway 100
Edina, MN 55436

Memorial Service

SEP **15**. 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (CT)

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Reception

SEP **15**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Memorial Service for Dr. Richard Olani Anderson in memory of Dr. Richard Olani Anderson



Washburn-McReavy - August 29, 2024 at 03:46 PM

KC

Our deepest sympathy to Dick's family and Pat in the passing of our wonderful neighbor. His sense of humor, kindness and caring for us all will be missed. In particular, our youngest daughter, Anna, will always have a special place in her heart for Dr. Anderson... although she was always a little concerned for the welfare of his plants when they were left in her care! He left his mark on so many. May that knowledge and the memories sustain you. Larry and Karan Cerf and Family

Karan Cerf - September 15, 2024 at 01:42 PM

EA

Thank you Karan.....he will be missed

Eric Anderson - December 29, 2024 at 03:22 PM

SS

“ We are so sorry to hear this news. Dick was a wonderful neighbor and an extraordinarily kind, decent, and caring gentleman in every respect. He will be missed by many, including us, Our sincerest condolences to Dick's children and grandchildren, his siblings, and Pat. Scott and Terri Smith

Scott and Terri Smith - September 13, 2024 at 12:08 AM

EA

Thank you for your kind words.. (Eric Anderson)

Eric Anderson - December 29, 2024 at 03:23 PM

PK

“ *Valued friend for fifty years, he influenced my life in several important ways.
I will miss him. His legacy lives on.
Paul Kingsbury*

Paul Kingsbury - September 10, 2024 at 01:47 PM

EA

Thanks Paul.....his legacy will live on!

Eric Anderson - December 29, 2024 at 03:23 PM