



Dr. Michael L. Fezza

May 15, 1927 - January 26, 2015

Dr. Michael Lawrence Fezza passed away peacefully on January 26, 2015. Michael was born May 15, 1927 to Andrew and Josephine Fezza in New Haven, CT. He is survived by his beloved wife of 62 years, Norma and three children, Marilyn Elsworth (and her husband John), Michele Hughes (and her husband John) and Dr. John Fezza (and his wife, Heidi Lippmann), and seven grandchildren. Michael leaves his brother Dr. Andrew Fezza, and three sisters Mary Diglio, Vick Tomaso, and RoseAnn Fezza. He was predeceased by a brother Alphonse Fezza

Michael graduated from Hill House High School in 1945. He excelled in academics and sports as a starting guard of the Hillhouse Basketball Team that won the New England Champion, gaining them entrance into the Basketball Hall of Fame. Michael was the first member of his family to attend college, when he enrolled in Yale University. After graduation he was accepted to New York Medical College, where he earned his medical degree. He returned to New Haven to become the first intern at St. Raphael's Hospital.

After his internship, Dr. Fezza earned the rank as Captain serving as a Medical doctor on the Air Force base in Big Springs, Texas. When he returned to Connecticut, he opened a Family Practice in Hamden. Several years later, he decided to pursue specialty training and was accepted to New York Eye and Ear. He was awarded Certification in Ophthalmology and then opened up a

private practice in Hamden, which has grown over the last 50 years to include his brother Andrew, and additional doctors and locations. Dr. Michael Fezza was honored to hold the position of the Chief of Ophthalmology at St. Raphael's Hospital for several consecutive terms. During this time he also held a joint appointment as an Associate Clinical Professor at the Yale Department of Ophthalmology. Along with his dedication to his profession and practice, Dr. Michael Fezza was an avid golfer who enjoyed playing golf at the New Haven Country Club and spending time in Florida with family and friends.

Calling hours for Dr. Michael Fezza will take place at Sisk Brothers Funeral Home , 3105 Whitney Avenue in Hamden at 10:00 am Saturday January 31, 2015 including a Memorial Service at 11:00 AM . Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations are given to St. Jude's Charity for Children in in Honor of Dr. Michael L Fezza. www.siskbrothers.com

Previous Events

Calling hours

JAN 31. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Sisk Brothers Funeral Home
3105 Whitney Ave.
Hamden, CT 06518
(203) 288-7114
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Funeral service

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Tribute Wall

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“ My memories of Dr. Fezza could not be contained in this space. He was truly my hero and a very big part of my life. He operated on me 5 times under the age of 10. He was kind and patient and compassionate. I always looked forward to the appointments because he was so loving and warm.

Grace Guidone - February 07, 2016 at 08:26 PM

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“ I extend my condolences on the loss of Mike. I had known him since I was a resident, he was a wonderful person. I wish you and your family all the best at this most difficult time.

*Sincerely yours,
Robert Lesser*

Robert Lesser - February 02, 2015 at 09:00 AM

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“ I was very sorry to hear of Dr. Michael Fezza's passing. My sincerest condolences to his family at this sad time.
Anna Ciresi

Anna Ciresi - January 31, 2015 at 12:08 PM

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“ My deepest condolences to the family,
Angela Brunetti

Angela Brunetti - January 30, 2015 at 02:06 PM