



Dr. Gregory M. Sheehan

June 15, 2016

Dr. Gregory Michael Sheehan died June 15, 2016 at the age of 48 in Hartford, CT. After a courageous fight, he died peacefully with his family beside him, and he will be missed terribly. Greg was born March 22, 1968 to Dr. George and Maribeth McMahan Sheehan in Hartford, CT. The oldest of six children, he took his role as head of the family to heart when he lost his father when he was just 11 years old. A graduate of Conard High School, Notre Dame University, Georgetown Medical School, and a medical resident at Loyola University Chicago, Greg was an insatiable learner, devout Notre Dame fan and a lover of life. His decision to study medicine and follow in the footsteps of his father came early in life, and he fulfilled that calling as compassionately and skillfully as his father. Greg is predeceased by his father, Dr. George Dunn Sheehan, and nephew, Jack Dunn Reitano, and survived by his mother, Maribeth Sheehan Ricketson, and by his siblings, Maura Valakos, Brendan Sheehan, Meghan Sheehan and her fiancé Mark Scerra, Matthew Sheehan and his wife Kelli, Melissa Reitano and her husband John, and his nieces and nephews, Samantha and Matthew Valakos, Ella and Riley Sheehan, and Lucy and George Reitano. In these lives and so many more, Greg was larger than life. Calling hours will be Monday, June 20, 4-7pm at Molloy Funeral Home on 906 Farmington Avenue in West Hartford. Funeral will be held at St. Peter Claver Church on 47 Pleasant Street in West Hartford on Tuesday, June 21 at 10am. The family requests that everyone go directly to the church. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations

be made to the Palliative Care Program at St. Francis Hospital, 114 Woodland Street, Hartford, CT 06105 in the name of Dr. Gregory Sheehan and Dr. George Sheehan. Though Greg is no longer with us, his selfless and caregiving ways will carry on through his eye organ donation.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

200 Whitman Ave.
West Hartford, CT

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JUN 20. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Molloy Funeral Home
906 Farmington Ave
West Hartford, CT 06119
(860) 232-1322

Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 21. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter Claver Church
47 Pleasant St
West Hartford, CT

Tribute Wall

DN

“ *NORM,,, YOU WILL BE MISSED... DAVE. M'94*

DAVE NAPOLIELLO - October 05, 2018 at 02:43 PM

LI

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Dr. Sheehan's passing. He was my Dr for quite a few years. The kind of Dr I wish I could find again. He was a wonderful soul who took top care of patients. I could even call him when I lived out of state and he always got back to me. what a wonderful man and I'm heartbroken to have just heard of this*

Lindsey - December 01, 2016 at 06:53 PM

TM

“ *I knew him as "Doc." He was a truly good man, and he will be missed by many. His demeanor as a professional sometimes led you to believe he wasn't really paying attention.... because he was very calm and laid back. By contrast, he noticed everything. My condolences to his family, and thank you for raising and sharing such an "old soul" with the rest of us.*

T.M.

Tiffany L McCaslin - July 07, 2016 at 08:29 PM

CS

“ *The fondest memories of Dr. Sheehan will forever linger in my memory. What an awesome guy? To his family, thank you for sharing this great guy with the rest of us. He faced his illness just like the champ he was known to be. He remained hopeful and determined. That's a man who absolutely loved life. May you find strength to move forward from day to day and know that Greg would want you to continue to live life to its fullest. May His peace be with you 'til we meet again. 'Til we reach that distant shore; and we'll shed a tear no more. May God give you strength to endure, 'til we meet again.*

Friend and colleague, Cameale Smart.

Cameale Smart - June 26, 2016 at 05:28 PM

L.

“ *I would like to offer my deepest condolences to your family. In times like these the Bible have proven to be of great comfort. The Bible book of John chapter 5 verses 28 and 29 holds out the hope of a resurrection for our loved ones who have past; and Joshua chapter 21 verse 45 let's us know that God fulfills his promises. I hope that these Bible verses will bring your family some comfort.*

L.M - June 25, 2016 at 04:48 PM

RE

“ Greg Sheehan was one of the kindest people I have ever known. His generous and affable nature belied a keen intellect and tireless devotion to those who were in need. The consummate Doctor, he was available at any time to those who needed him. The forgotten art of house calls was revived by Greg. I always felt better after seeing or speaking with Greg. Whether it was watching a Notre Dame football game with Greg and "the usual suspects" at a local cantina or a simple phone conversation, you always left better than you came. You always smiled. You could always count on him. Greg was a true friend to me on more occasions than I can recount. My deepest condolences to The Sheehan family. We will all be praying for him.
Rob Edmunds

Rob Edmunds - June 20, 2016 at 01:15 PM

JJ

“ *As much as I want celebrate Greg's life, I'm having a tough time, because he was only 48.*

Reading through the guest books, he was loved by his colleagues, nurses and patients alike. I'm sure he got in trouble with the health insurance companies for; getting to know his patient's. If needed, the 15 minute rule, per patient, went out the window. He practiced his profession, I'm sure like his Father George did. Take the time, find out what's wrong, study up on it, then try and heal them. Greg was an old soul. He practiced medicine the way it use to be. It was in his DNA.

I will miss this guy, this doctor, this caretaker of of many...

My sincere condolences to Marybeth and her children: Maura, Meghan, Brendan, Melissa & Matt.



Jamie Ricketson, Jr. - June 20, 2016 at 12:26 PM

HR

“ *Our condolences to the entire Sheehan family. We are incredibly sorry for your loss. Greg was a great man.*

Heather & Ken Roberts

Heather Roberts - June 20, 2016 at 12:21 PM

RT

“ My sincerest condolences to Gregs family and many friends. He will be sincerely missed. I have done on call for many years for Hebrew Home and received many calls from Greg in the middle of the night to admit patients to the hos unit, or I would have to call him to bring someone in from the outside. We would always joke, that "we have to stop meeting like this." I enjoyed having him as a colleague and friend. I miss you now and forever.

Becky Thompson

Rebecca Thompson - June 20, 2016 at 09:24 AM

CB

“ To Greg's family and friends; Please accept my sincere condolences on your recent sad loss. I met Greg twice through my sister and brother-in-law (Jocelyn Burns-McCue & John McCue). He was a salt-of-the-earth type of guy; someone that you felt you could have known for a very long time. God Bless his family and friends through this difficult time. -
Chris Burns, Fredericton, New Brunswick.



Chris Burns - June 20, 2016 at 06:59 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. Gregory M. Sheehan.*



June 19, 2016 at 11:47 PM

TF

“ *The family of Drs. Richard and Rita Fauliso purchased the Full Heart for the family of Dr. Gregory M. Sheehan.*



The family of Drs. Richard and Rita Fauliso - June 19, 2016 at 06:45 PM

WM

“ *With much love, Greg, Carolyn and Meghan purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Dr. Gregory M. Sheehan.*



With much love, Greg, Carolyn and Meghan - June 19, 2016 at 09:43 AM

GF

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Greg Fox - June 19, 2016 at 08:59 AM

DG

“ *My sincere sympathies to Greg's family and many friends.*

As you can tell, Greg touched many people's lives in many different ways.

We were connected and reconnected at various times in our lives. We shared similar career paths first in private practice attending at SFH at the same time and then working together at Hebrew Healthcare at the same time. And we shared a family member, Sr Sheehan was my guidance counselor at Notre Dame H.S many years ago.

We had a special friendship having shared many of life and work's ups and downs. We found comfort and peace whenever we met and shared time together.

Greg was the classical lion and lamb. Our friends at work recall him arriving for his night shift tough as a lion and coming into my office and settling down to a lamb before he started his work. I often called him for consultation or advice when I got stuck bc he was so bright and a great clinician, and he had a huge heart; the best kind of doctor anyone could wish for.

Although I moved away 2 years ago, many things remind me of Greg. He'd park in my office with his black duffle bag, 2L diet coke bottle and whatever project he was working on that day. I'd find him there the next morning, a little cranky but I could always see the lamb in those starry eyes. I knew he rarely took my advice but I continued to give it bc he was a dear friend to me.

I will miss you Greg "Greggy when he needed to calm down." Every light blue BMW will remind me of you pulling into work.

I know you've found peace and happiness, your heart and soul are too big.

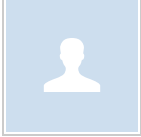
I hope to see you on the other side someday.

I hope all the Sheehan family finds love and comfort thru this most difficult time.

Your buddy,

Dr. Elisa Gil-Pires

Dr. Elisa Gil-Pires - June 19, 2016 at 07:50 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Gregory M. Sheehan.*



June 19, 2016 at 12:42 AM



“ *Sending prayers, love and deepest sympathies to the Sheehan family. I wish for you all peace in this difficult time. What a beautiful spirit Greg shared with so many. My best regards, Chris Kouri*

Christopher H Kouri - June 18, 2016 at 11:36 PM

JO

“ Dear Sheehan Family,
We were so deeply saddened to hear of Greg’s passing this week. My friendship with Greg commenced as football teammates at Conard High School and evolved as roommates on Quaker Lane. Greg had a keen listening ear and a story for every situation. He demonstrated compassion and caring not only in his profession but amongst family and friends near and from afar.
I was so very honoured to have Greg as my best man for our wedding. He graciously accepted and stated his one condition was that the wedding could not take place during football season. As usual, Greg was the life of the party at the wedding, and made a huge impression on everyone with his Irish wit, charm, and unique rendition of, “You’ve Lost that Loving Feeling”.
Every time I watch a Notre Dame football game, I will think of Greg with fond memories.
With deepest condolences,
John, Jocelyn, William & Kathleen McCue
Fredericton, New Brunswick

John - June 18, 2016 at 08:57 PM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. Gregory M. Sheehan.



June 18, 2016 at 06:55 PM

MR

“ Dr Greg Sheehan was a man of intellect,compassion,lover of life,family,friends and his beloved Notre Dame.He held no prisoners,always spoke his mind.If he liked and trusted you,he would always "have your back".His booming voice,boisterous laugh the twinkle in his eyes were just a part of his Irish charm. There are people who walk into our lives and those who leave footprints in our hearts.Greg has left many foot prints.To all of his family,sincere sympathy and prayers.Rest In Peace cowboy.

Mary Reis - June 18, 2016 at 04:35 PM

MR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall

Mary Reis - June 18, 2016 at 04:24 PM

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Mary Reis - June 18, 2016 at 04:24 PM

GC

“ Dear Sheehan Family,
I am devastated by hearing the loss of Greg. I grew up in Black Point with you guys and the Wentworths and all of you have a place in my heart. Greg was 5 days older than me but when his Dad died - he totally stepped up to the plate for his Mom and his siblings. I have and will always admire him for that. Please know that my Family sends their prayers and condolences to you all.
With Deepest Sympathy,
Gary (Munch) Connolly

Gary Connolly - June 18, 2016 at 03:53 PM

TF

“ The Spring family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Dr. Gregory M. Sheehan.



The Spring family - June 18, 2016 at 02:29 PM



“ *To the Sheehan family:*

I knew Dr. Sheehan since I was 15 years old. He was my mother's physician (and mine!)He has always been a household name at our house. He had such a kind way about him and was always there for us. I have admired him in many capacities as the years have gone by. First, my mother had a tremendous amount of respect for him. She trusted him and felt he always wanted the best for her and our family. He was always available to her. Part of watching him and how he is inspired me to want to go to medical school. And I was in my first year When she died, at the age of 56, he came to the icu at st. Francis and grieved with us. After that, I went to see him several times while I was struggling with dealing with my mother's unexpected death and medical school. He was a pillar of support for me and I doubt he ever even knew it. When he left private practice, we managed to keep in touch here and there. He even sent me a patient and I thought and still think of this as a high honor. When I read the news today, I was shocked and saddened. I told my sister and she said ,(and I couldn't say it better myself), " He was just doing his job, but he was always such a big part of our lives". It's true, not a day goes by I don't think of him . I know that as Dr. Sheehan's family you must be going through a horrific time, I hope you can take comfort in all the lives he touched. I'm sure my family is not the only one who could say things like I am saying. As a patient, I always felt his empathy and compassion. As a fellow physician, I admire his dedication, his superb clinical instinct and ability to be very present for his patients. As a friend, I am very sad today.

I am thinking and praying for all of you.

Kate Pascucci and family.

Kate Pascucci - June 18, 2016 at 01:09 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Gregory M. Sheehan.*



June 18, 2016 at 12:55 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Gregory M. Sheehan.*



June 18, 2016 at 11:40 AM



“ *I knew Greg long ago when we were children and then teenagers in West Hartford. He was a source of great humor and unexpected but gratefully accepted acceptance and compassion. We did not cross paths after leaving Conard High School - but I was given updates through our mother's continued friendship.*

My deepest sympathies to all who loved and held him dear.

Jessica Lindert

Jessica Lindert - June 18, 2016 at 11:08 AM

JW

“ Dear Sheehan Family' I am so saddened by your loss. Greg was a most happy ,helpful and enjoyable person to have around. My son Brian Walker brought him out to our boat several times and I will not forget the many laughs and enjoyment he provided. God Bless you all, I will keep you in my prayers. Joyce Walker

joyce Walker - June 18, 2016 at 10:52 AM

MQ

“ Dr. Sheehan will be missed by us on the weekends! I will miss his Notre Dame talks, and will especially miss all of his teachings. He was larger than life with his personality, and always willing to help me out. He may have grumbled just a little, but always came up when we needed him. :) May you rest in peace. Every time I watch a Notre Dame game from now on, you'll always be in my thoughts. xoxo

Michelle Q. The 2 South turned 4 South Baylor nurse at Hebrew Healthcare

Michelle Quiles - June 18, 2016 at 10:35 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. Gregory M. Sheehan.



June 18, 2016 at 10:35 AM

BM

“ Be at peace, my big Irish friend
Brian Van Linda, MD

Brian Van Linda, MD - June 18, 2016 at 08:33 AM

LD

“ Dr. Sheehan I salute you. You were a formidable guy with a strong presence . When you were in a room everybody knew it. I admired your kindness and willingness to help and take care of people. You will never be forgotten.

May your friends and family find comfort from their memories of you and in each other.

Peaceful now.

Laura Dowaliby - June 18, 2016 at 07:50 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. Gregory M. Sheehan.*



June 18, 2016 at 12:42 AM

AP

“ Dr. Greg Sheehan came into our lives ten years ago to work at Hebrew Health Care. He came in as our night hospitalist dubbing himself the " Bat Man" but soon came into the light working days as well. We needed each other in many ways . He brought energy and vitality to our Department of Medicine. A life force that sadly has been extinguished but will never be forgotten. He was not only my colleague but also my friend. He was always there to fix the problem, to seize the moment, to give us the Sheehan "lecture". He definitely was not a wall flower that's what I loved about him. He touched us all. I will miss you terribly my friend.

*Dr. Ava Pannullo
Hebrew Health Care Department of Medicine.*

Ava Pannullo - June 17, 2016 at 05:10 PM

JR

*Hospital rounds Dr Sheehan would take the time to teach and yes lecture!! We all enjoyed his drive and passion .
He will truly be missed.
Rest in Peace Greg!!
Joe Russo
Clinical Nutritional Manager at the Hebrew Home*

Joseph Russo - June 19, 2016 at 05:20 PM

MM

*It was a pleasure and a privilege to work alongside Greg these past few years. He was an excellent clinician who understood and practiced the art of medicine daily. Greg's passion for his vocation and compassion for patients, their families and the healthcare team was unwavering. Above all, it was clear how much Greg loved his family. My sincerest apologies for your loss. He was and always will be "the happy leprechaun" and I shall miss him.
Mary Colpoys, MD*

Mary Colpoys, MD - June 20, 2016 at 04:29 PM

KW

“ Dan and I will miss Greg terribly and send our deepest condolences. He was there the day we met in August 1996 at Wrigley Field, one of his favorite places. Dan was honored to have him stand up in our wedding 4 years later. He was such a devoted and wonderful friend and cousin and he always went out of his way to see us when he came to Chicago and when we were back in MA/CT. We are heartbroken.

Kate and Dan Walsh, Lake Forest, IL

Kate Walsh - June 17, 2016 at 03:44 PM

AS

“ Thank you Dr. Sheehan for all you did. We all miss you and love you. You will always be remembered.

*Andria and Astha:)
Hebrew Health care MHU Family*

astha shrestha - June 17, 2016 at 03:04 PM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. Gregory M. Sheehan.



June 17, 2016 at 02:32 PM



“ *Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Gregory M. Sheehan.* ”



June 17, 2016 at 02:09 PM