## Obituaries

**RICHARD F. JUDKINS, MD**, passed away at the age of 86 in Palmetto, FL, on Sept. 18th after an unexpected illness. His devotion to his family and firm faith in God supported him in this struggle and ultimately gave him peace.



After high school graduation in Worces-

ter, he entered Brown University in PreMed, playing varsity football and baseball. Upon graduation, he attended Boston University Medical School and completed a five-year residency at Rhode Island Hospital. He then served two years in the Navy as an ENT, head and neck surgeon during the Vietnam War.

In 1970, he began his medical career at South County Hospital in Wakefield, followed by The City of Faith in Tulsa, OK, then The Medical College of Ohio in Toledo, OH. The highlight of his medical career was serving on medical mission trips, especially to the Dominican Republic, where he was known as "El Caballo," the workhorse.

In 1972, he married Linda (Hillman), his beloved wife of 51 years. He was the proud father of five children: Dr. Jennifer Judkins Godin (Luke), Kristen Judkins, Richard Bijorn Judkins, Gwen Dodson (David), and Bret Judkins (Tiffany). His 11 grand-children brought joy and laughter into his life. His love and leadership will be greatly missed by both family and friends.

Donations in his memory may be made to: Solid Rock International, P.O. Box 4563, Carmel, IN 46082, supporting the continued clinic and hospital work in the Dominican Republic. Donations may also be made to Tidewell Hospice, 4151 37TH St E, Palmetto, FL 34221. ◆ ALBERT F. MARZ, Jr., DO, 87,

passed away on September 25th at home surrounded by his family. He was the beloved husband of Jean Marz for over six decades and the devoted father of Jonathan Marz and his wife Suzanne, Melinda Ragosta and her husband Peter Sr., and the late Julie Eva and her husband Brenton.



He was a cherished grandfather to his grandchildren Maxton, Mason, McKinley, Peter Jr., Andrew, Katherine, Nathaniel, and Ren who brought immense joy to his life.

After graduating from Bowdoin College he served three years in the US Army. He received his medical degree from Des Moines University. Dr. Marz began his distinguished medical career at Cranston General. His passion for healing led him to establish his own practice in Greenville, Rhode Island, where he worked tirelessly for over 50 years and positively impacted countless lives. In addition to his private practice, Dr. Marz also served as the school sports doctor at Smithfield High School, nurturing the health and well-being of young athletes.

Ever dedicated to his profession, Dr. Marz continued to practice medicine at Apple Valley treatment center until his retirement in 2016. His commitment to the well-being of others was unwavering, and he touched the lives of thousands through his compassionate care.

In his leisure time, he enjoyed being a member of the Shriner's Club, the art of golfing and finding solace on the greens and delight in the company of friends. But his true sanctuary was found on Waterman's Lake, where he lived and enjoyed boating and embracing the serenity of nature's beauty.

His faith played an integral role in his life, and he was an active member of St. Thomas Church, finding spiritual comfort and guidance in his religious community. Donations in his memory may be made to St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 1 Smith Avenue, Greenville, RI 02828.

