

*"...may life
be gentle to
you and your
family always."
Gerard V. Yu*



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Dear Colleague,

As many of you know, Gerard V. Yu was my cousin who guided me throughout my education, residency and career in podiatric medicine. Indeed, we all have lost a great friend, a remarkable colleague and an extraordinary educator. Gerard V. Yu, DPM, died suddenly of a massive heart attack at his home on the morning of August 15, 2005.

We know you join countless others in expressing sincerest condolences to Gerard's beloved wife, Barbara, and their five children: Jason, 19; Ashley, 17; Nicole, 15; Cheryl, 13; and Sandra, 10.

As director of podiatric surgical training at St. Vincent Charity Hospital in Cleveland, chief of the podiatry section at Huron Hospital in East Cleveland, Director of Program Development of the Podiatry Institute and in his private practice dedicated to reconstructive surgery of the foot, ankle and lower leg, Gerard brought not only great skill to his work but also compassion and humanity. He was a tireless contributor to his profession and to his community. It is not too much to say that he literally helped change the course of podiatric medicine. Everything he did he did quietly, with humor and a great zest for life; yet like the still waters that run deep, when he spoke, everyone listened. People always looked forward to seeing and hearing from Gerard. We will miss him.

Above all, his professional passion was education. Gerard Yu came from a family that believed in the value of education. A graduate of Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine, Gerard was a champion of medical education and an inspiring and much sought-after national speaker. As clinical instructor at Case Western Reserve School of Medicine and as Director of Program Development and a long-time faculty member of The Podiatry Institute, and in his involvement with professional medical societies, he helped mold thousands of young doctors.

Dr. Yu left us in the prime of his life, at age 51, and now ironically his family faces years of expenses for the education he so cherished. Four of Gerard's children are in private schools, and one is in college.

We can imagine no greater tribute or memorial to Gerard Yu than to establish a fund to help provide for not only educational but other critical necessities for Sandra, Cheryl, Nicole, Ashley and Jason.

Please join us in remembering and honoring Gerard Yu through a donation for the Gerard Yu family. You can make a contribution by filling out the form on the next page or you can contribute directly and securely from your bank account to MemorialFund@GerardVYu.org via www.PayPal.com. There are no fees to use PayPal.

Thank you very much for your kindness and, above all, please continue to keep Barbara and the children in your thoughts and prayers.

Very truly yours,

Thomas J. Chang, DPM

*Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime,
And departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time.*

*Henry Wadsworth Longfellow
(1807-1882) Psalm of Life*



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In Memoriam
Gerard V. Yu, DPM
1954 – 2005

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