



Eldis Marvin Christensen

November 6, 1921 - October 11, 2016

Obituary of Eldis Christensen

He fought the good fight, kept the faith and has finished the race. Dr. Eldis M. Christensen, 94, was welcomed into Heaven on Oct. 11, 2016. He was born Nov. 6, 1921 in Swaziland, South Africa to missionary parents, Magnus and Florence (Crawford) Christensen. He graduated from Wheaton College in Illinois where he met and married Martha Jean (Niethamer) who predeceased him in 2004. He served his country honorably as a member of the US Army and received his MD from the Univ. of Illinois and had a General Surgery and Family Practice in LaGrange, IL. He was a devoted husband and father who made it a point to attend most of our swimming, wrestling, baseball and twirling events. He cared deeply for his patients and routinely made house calls and accepted calls on the phone late into the night. He knew the Bible and was deeply committed to telling others of the saving grace of Jesus Christ. He was a member of Good News Church in Leesburg, FL. He was remarried to Mary Lou (Kaiser) in 2005 and had 11 more enjoyable years of marriage until she died in June, 2016. He is survived by son, Dr. Gary (Karen) Christensen of Leesburg, FL, granddaughter Jennifer (Matt) Grabowski, Holly Springs, NC, great grandsons Bradyn, Camden, Christian and Collin, granddaughter Emily (Erick) Langenbrunner, Fruitland Park FL, great granddaughter Laine and great grandson Wilson. Also, son, Dr. Greg (Diane) Christensen of N. Canton, OH and grandson Ryan. He is also survived by

brother Ralph, Erie, CO and sisters Genevieve Patterson, Lexington, KY and Virginia Carroll, Birmingham, AL. He was also predeceased by his daughter Karen Jerrick. There will be a memorial service at 10 AM, Sat., Nov. 12 at the Beyers Funeral Home Chapel in Leesburg, FL with Pastor John Blake of Good News Church, Leesburg, officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests all memorial gifts be made to Good News Church, 400 Executive Blvd., Leesburg, FL.

Tribute Wall

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“ *May God's peace be with you all. As a patient and neighbor of Dr. Christensen, I recall a specific house call from about 1963. I was 7 years old and quite ill. My dad called the good Dr. at his home. I watched out of my bedroom window as the tall man came loping down the block carrying his black bag. Of course, at that age I was certain his bag was full of shots just for me, so I tried to block my bedroom door with my dresser (unsuccessfully). I was diagnosed with encephalitis, and without any health insurance, Dr. Christensen allowed me to be treated at home. I can still picture him running to the rescue!*

Barbara Stuker Mahn - October 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I am so sorry to hear about Uncle Eldis. I enjoyed receiving his letters as he studied the Bible. Mom sent a copy of a letter he hand-wrote, telling of when she was born. I will always cherish that May God hold you in the palm of His hand and give you peace and comfort. Beth (Carrell) Welcher*

Beth (Carrell) Welcher - October 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Eldis Marvin Christensen*

October 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM