



## Dr. Robert F. Rip Corrigan

September 22, 1932 - July 15, 2015

Bend, Oregon CLACKAMAS, Oregon Whether it was taking long bus rides with the football team, making house calls, or accepting firewood as payment for his services, Dr. Robert F. "Rip" Corrigan, was the kind of doctor seldom seen today. Rip, an orthopedic surgeon who practiced in Bend before moving to Clackamas, died Wednesday at Harmony Guest Home in Hillsboro, Oregon. He was 82. Dr. Corrigan was born to Hilary Francis and Mary Frances (Hogan) Corrigan on September 22, 1932 in Butte, Montana. He graduated from Gonzaga Prep Academy in Spokane, Washington in 1951. He completed his Bachelor of Science from the University of Portland in 1955, the same year he married Patricia A. Ledwith. In 1957 he earned his medical degree from Oregon Health Sciences University. He went on to serve in the Navy as a physician and was stationed in Hawthorne, Nevada. He later returned to Portland and became a board certified orthopedic surgeon. In 1964 he and his family moved to Bend, Oregon where he joined Bends only other orthopedic surgeon, Dr. Bill Guyer, at the Bend Orthopedic and Fracture Clinic. He moved to the Portland area in 1984 and later married Sharon White. The past 27 years he resided in Clackamas, Oregon and retired from Kaiser-Sunnyside Medical Center in 2000. Rip had a big heart for the underprivileged and served on the initial board of directors for the Opportunity Foundation of Central Oregon in 1965. Some of his favorite charities were the Clackamas Womens Services, the Pregnancy Resource Center, and the American Heart Association. One of his great joys in life was serving as the team physician for

many high school sports teams. The "Dr. Rip Corrigan" Most Inspirational Player Award is still given annually to a deserving player on the Mountain View High School Football Team. "Grandad" is survived by ten children, Julie Roberts (Ken), Colleen Corrigan-Buckendorf, Kathleen Rankin (Ormond), Sean Corrigan (Tracy), Molly Neal (Wade), Tim Corrigan (Anji), Patrick Corrigan (Miranda), Maureen Vasquez (Mike), Bill Corrigan (Lisa), Chris Corrigan (Lori), stepchildren Debbie Thompson, Denise Dickson, Bryan White, Joseph White, Barb Fisher and 34 grandchildren and ten great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, five siblings, his first wife Patricia, and his second wife, Sharon. Viewing will be held from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Tuesday July 21st at Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home. A Celebration of Life will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday July 22nd in the Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home Chapel, followed by a reception at Hollinshead Barn. Interment will be held at 2:00 p.m. at Pilot Butte Cemetery. Memorial contributions in his name may be made to the Pregnancy Resource Center, the American Heart Association, and Clackamas Womens Services.

Funeral Home:

Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home New  
105 NW Irving Ave  
Bend, OR  
US 97701

# Tribute Wall



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**Niswonger Reynolds Funeral Home & Greenwood Cemetery** - May 18, 2023 at 02:20 PM

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“ *Dr. Robert F. Rip Corrigan*

**Funeral Home Owner** - August 07, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ *To the Corrigan Family, Karla Goth and I were just discussing My godfather Rip at JoAnne Goths memorial service. My prayers are with each of you. Sincerely, Tracy E. Hoevet*

**Tracy Morley Hoevet** - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ *What a wonderful man. He will be missed by many people because of his skill as a physician and kindness as a human. My thoughts and prayers to the family.*

**Lawrence Papa** - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Dear Ones, Uncle Rip provided many many sweet sweet memories for me and Patsy provided many loving kindnesses as well as many wonderful meals for the whole gang!!! For me , it was always Rip &Patsy, so I wanted to mention her as well!!! God bless you always!!! uncle Dan

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**Mary & Dan Corrigan** - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ The Corrigan Family, Years ago I had the good fortune to work with Dr Corrigan , he taught me so much and I will always be grateful for his patience and understanding ways. He was a fine surgeon and a wonderful person. He would always ask me why dont you call me Rip. It was out of respect that I always called him Doctorhe earned it. Our Thoughts are with you, Art and Patti Schultz

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**Patti Schultz** - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ My favorite pal in our department at Kaiser, always ready to help and teach!

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**Jock Pribnow** - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ Corrigan Family, We are very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I always enjoyed Rip, he was a very fun person to be around. He always had a smile on his face and something fun to say. He will be missed. Sincerely, Tuke, Ciera and Morgan Burgess

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**Tuke Burgess** - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM