



Keith F. Harcourt

May 7, 1935 - June 20, 2019

Dr. Keith Harcourt, 84, of Newberg, Oregon succumbed to cancer and passed away peacefully on June 20th surrounded by family.

Keith Harcourt was born in 1935 in Portland, Oregon to Dr. Roy A. and Esther Harcourt. He graduated from Cleveland High School and Lewis and Clark College. It was as a freshman at Lewis and Clark where he met Pat who would become his wife during their senior year. Keith went on to attend the University of Oregon Medical School (now OHSU). He remained there for his internship, general surgery residency, and cancer fellowship, and achieved status as Diplomate of the American Board of Surgery and Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

It was during medical school that Keith and Pat welcomed sons Matt and Brian, and daughter Joyce into their lives. Following medical school, the family moved to Springfield, Missouri where Keith served two years in the U.S. Public Health Service as a surgeon at the Medical Center for Federal Prisoners. The family took advantage of the location to travel and explore a good portion of the United States.

In 1969, the family returned to the Pacific Northwest and moved to Pendleton, Oregon. It was a return to the Eastern Oregon community which Keith had discovered while working summer jobs as a ranch hand in his youth, and the

place where he would build a successful surgery career and where he and Pat would raise their family.

As a partner in the Pendleton Surgery Clinic, Keith practiced as a general surgeon for Pendleton and the surrounding area until his retirement in 1995. During that time he was a founding member of the St. Anthony Hospice, where he continued to serve as volunteer medical director after retirement. He also served as volunteer medical director of the Blue Mountain Oncology Program, served a term as chair of the State of Oregon Public Health Advisory Board, and traveled with Northwest Medical Teams International on a medical care assessment and assistance mission to North Korea in 1997.

In 2000, Keith and Pat moved to Little Whale Cove in DePoe Bay, Oregon where their home and it's view of the Pacific became a family gathering place. In addition to enjoying the cove and surrounding landscape, the variety of coastal birds, whale watching, and their community neighbors, they enjoyed traveling. And Keith remained active in retirement as a member of several public health committees in Lincoln County and serving on the Samaritan Pacific Hospital board.

In 2011 they moved to Friendsview Retirement Community in Newberg, Oregon where they enjoyed the community and new friendships. Always active in the church, Keith served in various capacities in each of the Pendleton First Presbyterian Church, then the Newport Presbyterian Church, and the Newberg First Presbyterian Church.

Keith is survived by his wife Pat of 62 years, sons Matt and Brian, daughter Joyce (Ron), brothers Hugh (Shirley) and Scott (Sarahjane), and grandchildren Ashley (Jeremiah) and Ryan (Danielle).

A memorial service is planned for 11:00 AM, July 13th at the Newberg United

Methodist Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Providence Newberg Health Foundation for cancer care or hospice care, to the Umatilla County Historical Society, or to the charity of your choice.

Providence Newberg Health Foundation

1001 Providence Drive

Newberg, OR 97132

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Umatilla County Historical Society

P.O. Box 253

Pendleton, OR 97801

(541) 276-0012

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL 13. 11:00 AM (PT)

Newberg First United Methodist Church
1205 Deborah Road
Drive
Newberg, OR 97132

Tribute Wall

RB

“ Keith was my mentor. He was the Bowman family’s “Marcus Welby MD” since we landed in Pendleton. I approached him when first considering a career in medicine. He immediately took me under his wing and gently showed me the art and science of his practice. He showed me how to be gentle and kind, how to communicate with compassion, and how to care with a sense of humor. It was my honor to return as a professional colleague of his at St Anthony’s Hospital in the early 90’s. He was a model of how to be a caring medical professional and was a bright flame in this world. I am sad his flame is out, and my thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends.

Ron Bowman - July 04, 2019 at 11:04 AM

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“ Cathy and I extend our heartfelt condolences to Pat and the extended Harcourt family. i had the pleasure to work as a fellow physician with Dr. Harcourt for approximately 20 years. Always a strong advocate for his patients, he worked closely with fellow clinicians to provide the best team care for them. His untiring work on behalf of hospice will always be remembered. Dr. Jake and Cathy Cambier

Jacob Cambier, M.D. - July 02, 2019 at 02:31 PM

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“ I had the pleasure of working with Dr. Harcourt for 20+ years in Pendleton and he also was my surgeon on a couple of occasions. Never a better surgeon and I have worked in the medical field for over 40 years. Pendleton was very lucky to have the skill and dedication to his patients over the years he was available in Pendleton. A true gentleman and a wonderful teacher. I was very blessed to have worked and learned from him over the years.

Kim Ashbeck Schwab - June 26, 2019 at 03:31 PM

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MEMORIES

- Collage Days
- Med School nights and learning about White Russians.
- Weekend visits
 - o Touring Oregon States' mental institution
 - o Federal Prison in Missouri
 - o Many Pendleton times
 - o Depot Bay
 - o Vacations at Nescowin
- All great and educational times. A part of this civilization that I would never know if it hadn't been for our friendship.
- Pendleton Bird Hunting days
 - o Most of the birds were smarter than we were.
- Pendleton Round Up
 - o Educated for how so much booze could be consumed in a bar under the bleachers.
- Newberg Retirement Living

Ron Marshall - July 05, 2019 at 03:43 PM

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Ron Marshall - July 05, 2019 at 03:52 PM