



Dr. Bill O. Hauser

March 26, 1927 - December 23, 2006

Dr Bill O Hauser passed away suddenly at home on December 23rd, 2006, from complications of Parkinson's Disease. Dr Hauser was born in San Juan, TX on March 26, 1927. He graduated from Texas A&M University in 1950 with a degree in agriculture and worked as a horticulturist in the Valley. He married his first wife, Dorothy Jean Ellis, and raised two daughters, Diana and Lisa Hauser. Dr Hauser returned to school in Dallas where he received his MD degree from Southwestern Medical School in 1962. He was a beloved and greatly-respected General Practitioner for many years in Alice, TX where he also served on the city council and as mayor pro tem. In 1972, Dr Hauser moved to San Antonio for a 3-year radiology residency and acted as Chief Resident during his final year. As a radiologist, Dr Hauser provided full radiology services to a dozen hospitals in Central Texas. He logged a thousand miles a week on his "circuit" which included stops in La Grange, Giddings, Pearsall, Smithville, Columbus, Weimar, Hallettsville, Gonzales, Jourdanton, and Uvalde. He was a Clinical Assistant Professor of Diagnostic Radiology at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio and actively participated in Grand Rounds and other academic discussion groups throughout his career and well into his retirement years. He presented his paper "Why Brain Scans Are Positive" to the American Association of Academic Chief Residents in Radiology in 1975, and in 1996, he published his paper, "The Prolapsed Intervertebral Disc" in Spine, and co-authored Chapter 11, "The Sciatic Syndrome" in Imaging. He was a member of the Texas

Medical Association, the Texas Radiological Society, and the American College of Radiology.

Dr Hauser's education at Texas A&M was interrupted in 1945 when he became a Naval Air Cadet, stationed in Lodi, California from 1945-46. He maintained a life-long passion for flying and sailing and for race-car driving. After his honorable discharge from the Navy, he remained a Naval Reserve Radioman until 1960. In 1968, while living in Alice, TX, Dr Hauser operated his ham radio with the call letters W5TVL to keep the public apprised of the approach of Hurricane Beulah. In 1980, Dr Hauser married Dora Grossenbacher Hauser, then the Dean of Students at the University of Texas at San Antonio. Dr Hauser introduced Dora and her three grown children, Glenn Grossenbacher, Gary Grossenbacher, and Lisa Grossenbacher Wiseman, to skiing, sailing, astronomy, and jazz music. Dr Hauser belonged to the Alice Yacht Club, the San Antonio Ski Club, and the Sportscar Club of A&M. His shelves are filled with many trophies accumulated in his lifetime of racing, sailing, and skiing.

Dr Hauser was a talented musician, a knowledgeable aficionado of jazz, and devoted listener. He played the clarinet, was a walking encyclopedia of all things jazz, and collected and catalogued an enviable music library which entertained himself and his family and friends to his dying day. He inspired all the wanna-be musicians around him to pursue their dreams and enjoyed family gatherings where the family band did their best to entertain him. With his wife, Dora, Dr Hauser was a regular supporter of the San Antonio Little Theater and the Majestic Broadway Series.

Dr Hauser was well-read in all subjects and had a wide-circle of friends and family to indulge his never-ending intellectual curiosity and interests. He found common ground with anyone he met, and anyone who knew him felt that he was his or her "best friend". He had the patience of a saint, seemingly endless

time for anyone, and felt true empathy and compassion for everyone he came into contact with both personally and professionally.

Dr Hauser is survived by his daughter Diana Hauser, of Odem, granddaughter Ashley Ryder, of Wilmington NC, step-son, Glenn Grossenbacher and his daughter Grace, of San Antonio, step-son, Gary Grossenbacher and his sons Max, Miles, and Martin, of Austin, and Lisa Grossenbacher Wiseman and her children, Savannah, Marissa, and James, of Austin, and a sister, LeDora Lidzy, of Austin. Dr Hauser's family and friends are invited to a celebration of his life and his music at La Scala Restaurant, 2177 N W Military Drive, on Sunday, January 7, 2007 from 2:30-4:30 pm. Dr Hauser would appreciate that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the charity of choice.

Tribute Wall

JB

“ *My deepest regrets to the Hauser family and to the Grossenbacher family.*

Jim Branton - January 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM

IR

“ *To Diana and family:
I was very sorry to hear of dad's passing. He was a wonderful doctor here in Alice. Many of the people here still remembered and admired him--he touched the lives of many people here in Alice. My*

Irma - January 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ *We extend our sincere condolences to Dr. Hauser's family during this sad time. May you find comfort in knowing how many people share your sadness. Also, may the loving promise of Almighty God John 11:25 help bring peace and comfort. Dr. Hauser touched the*

A.D. Kindred - January 09, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ *We are saddened to hear of Bill's passing and our prayer's are with his family.*

Steve and Shirley Linahan - January 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *My deepest condolences to the Family of Dr. Bill Hauser. A great man whom I met while working at the Alice P & S Hospital, in the early 60's. I was one of the X-ray Techs there. He was a jolly, happy person. May he rest in peace.*

Connie Cantu - January 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family of Dr. Hauser. I worked for him in his office on 6th st in Alice I was the x-ray tech. I will alway treasure his kindness. May he rest in peace.

Millie P. Gonzales - January 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Bill was a wonderful, loving, kind and thoughtful man. I know because Dora told me so. They came to Wimberley for a visit the first time I met him and we were all impressed with him, even my 80 year old mother. We told Dora he was definitely a \\\'kee

Peg Orem McCuistion - January 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ my condolences.

Jesus De Leon - January 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ It is very sad to see that another member of the Southwestern Med. Schl class of 62\\\' has been taken by the Lord. Bill and I only met a couple of times since graduation, and that was when he was parcticing in Alice. He used to refer patients to me when

Jackie D. Stephenson M.D. - January 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I am saddened by the news of Dr. Hauser\\\'s passing. He was the Medical Director for Respiratory Care When I worked at the old P&S Hospital in Alice, TX. He was a huge help to me when I became the departments first manager. I will never forget what a gre

Manuel Sonny Saldivar - January 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CH

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Carlton W. Hornbeck - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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GC

“ Diana and family,
I am sorry to hear about Dr. Hauser, a wonderful man. I think often of your family. I will remember you in this time of sorrow. Best always, Gina

Gina Schwintz Comeaux - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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CT

“ I was probably the last delivery Dr. Hauser did in Alice Texas in 1972. He was a wonderful man that was very kind and funny. He was upset with me towards the later part of my prenancy and when he tried to talk to me about it,I would cry. My last month

Cheri Tiller - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

D\

“ Our Deepest sympathy from the Class of 1950, Texas A & M University.

Duane Strother \\'50 - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Lisa, Gary, and Glen, It was my priviledge to work with Dora first, then with Dr. Hauser. What a dynamic pair they made. I share in your loss. I will be out of state on the 7th, and will be unable to attend the memorial service. You have my prayers.

Bud Martin - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

VP

“ I am a friend of his daughter Lisa. He was always friendly and accepting of me. He introduced me to Artichokes and I ended up marrying into a family that had a artichoke farm in California. Good thing I knew how to eat them thanks to \\\\"Bi

Vaunda Parish-Reeve - January 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ I was fortunate to have known Dr. Hauser through his wife, Dora, who adored him. I was especially touched by his consideration when he wrote and sent me a picture and article from the San Antonio paper when Dora Hauser died. Even as he was grieving he to

Barbara Thompson - January 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TQ

“ We were friends in Edinburg and physicians in South Texas. He was always a \\free spirit\\ and introduced me to escargot\\s, what else can I say...

Tina and Charles Queen - January 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Bill was my neighbor and family doctor in Alice, TX. I remember our sailing trips. He always won the light air races. He was a very interesting and entertaining gentleman. My condolences to his family. Pat Mullen

Patricia Mullen - December 31, 2006 at 12:00 AM