



## Richard B Markwood

May 29, 1953 - February 19, 2023

Richard Bruce Markwood, 69 passed away Sunday, February 19, 2023, in his home, surrounded by his adoring family, whom he loved more than anything on earth until the moment his Savior called him home.

Richard was born in Toledo, Ohio to Margaret and W. Theodore Markwood on May 29, 1953. After graduating from Bowsher High School, Richard attended college at Wittenberg University and later earned a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Richard's career in medicine began at Mount Clemens General Hospital, where he specialized in Obstetrics and Gynecology. Once he completed his residency, Richard moved to West Branch, Michigan and established his first practice, and was later named Chief of Staff at Tolfree Memorial Hospital. He served the West Branch community until 1993, when he returned to Toledo, Ohio. From there, Richard continued to treat patients in his thriving private practice in Perrysburg, Ohio while also maintaining the position of Obstetrics and Gynecology Residency Program Director at Mercy St. Vincent's Hospital. Richard then rose to the position of Director of Osteopathic Medical Education and Examiner for the American Osteopathic Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Richard delighted in educating new physicians and students, guiding them to become skilled and compassionate doctors. Richard received numerous awards and accolades recognizing him for his role in providing outstanding patient care, as well as exceptional mentoring to the upcoming generations of physicians.

In 2007, Richard stepped into his final role and was employed by the WellCare Physicians Group of St Luke's Hospital in Maumee, Ohio. He continued to devote himself to enriching the lives of his patients and their families until he was no longer capable of doing so at the end of 2021. His lifework of bringing new joyous additions into families, and caring for women was both a humbling privilege and a fulfilling blessing for him. He was proud that his wife, partners, and staff have continued to carry on this tradition at the practice he started that became Rivercrest OB/GYN.

To Richard, family was everything and he was very vocal about his love for them. Attending sporting practices, music lessons, traveling, and going on ski vacations with them gave him the utmost joy. His true passion was the water and taking his family sailing on their boat, instilling in them a longing and respect for the water that his own father taught him as a youth. Richard was talented in the kitchen as well. His friends and family frequently requested his special pot roast or brisket. Richard liked to quote movies and challenge people with trivia. Useless trivia was his self-proclaimed specialty.

Richard was preceded in his death by his parents, Margaret and Ted Markwood, and his brother Jim Markwood. He is survived by his wife, Shannon Sutherland, D.O.; children Jenny (Tim) Harris, Sarah Markwood, Laura (Kevin) Vilhauer, Liam Markwood, Mcallister Markwood, and Jacob Lucente, 2 grandchildren, and by his brother Theodore Markwood and sister-in-law, Lois Markwood.

A Memorial Service will be held at First Presbyterian Church of Maumee, 200 E. Broadway St., Maumee, OH 43537, on Monday, February 27, 2023 at 5:00 p.m., where the family will begin greeting guests at 4:00 p.m. Interment will be private.

The family would like to thank Samantha Habusta for her compassionate care and support through this difficult time.

Contributions can be made to Hospice of Northwest Ohio to honor the exceptional care they provided. Please view and sign our online "guest registry" at [CoyleFuneralHome.com](http://CoyleFuneralHome.com)



# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 27. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church (Maumee)  
200 E. Broadway  
Maumee, OH 43537

## Memorial Service

FEB 27. 5:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

MA

“ I’m saddened to just now hear of the passing of my former obgyn. He delivered me almost 23 years ago with my mom & also delivered my 3 1/2 year old via c section & him & his wife delivered my stillborn son via c section together. Prayers to his family 😞



Mackynzie - June 10, 2023 at 07:27 PM

MH

“ WE KNEW HIM AS A DOCTOR, NEIGHBOR AND FRIEND. WE LOVE SHERRIE, HIS DAUGHTERS AND EXTENDED FAMILY. MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS THEM ALL.  
Gloria & Milt Hoff



MILT & GLORIA HOFF - March 07, 2023 at 01:26 PM

TS

“ Prayers to Dr. Markwood's family! What a wonderful man. I knew him only as a patient-- one who followed him when he left one practice to start his--, but he felt like a friend. He delivered both of my children and continued his care for me. Whenever he entered the office, he made me feel like I was important and a priority. During appointments, he always took time with me and never rushed out and never acted as though he was in a hurry-- I truly felt cared for. There are not many doctors who make me feel so comfortable and dedicated to give me the best care possible. I will forever remember him with fondness. ~Tina Sandwisch

Tina Sandwisch - February 27, 2023 at 01:51 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard B Markwood.*



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February 27, 2023 at 11:07 AM



“ *Dr Markwood was my doctor many years. He performed both my c-sections, and years later my hysterectomy. His loving, caring nature during some difficult times, is something I have never forgotten. My sincere condolences to his family and friends.*

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**Mary Sanchez** - February 26, 2023 at 11:57 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss, he was my Ob/Gyn in West Branch. So caring ,certainly top notch.*



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**Jeri Noffsinger / Brindley** - February 25, 2023 at 05:44 PM



“ *My dear Rick, Gone but not forgotten. My deepest sympathy to your family. Until we meet again. In Christian love, Margaret Zatko*

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**Margaret Zatko** - February 24, 2023 at 09:59 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard B Markwood.*



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February 24, 2023 at 02:04 PM



“ *Dr. Mark wood was such a great doctor and a wonderful person. He will truly be missed by all who knew him. He has left the world a much better place. May your memories and the support and prayers of family, friends, and all the people whose life he blessed help give you comfort and strength during this difficult time. God bless.*

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**Jamie Miller** - February 24, 2023 at 11:40 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard B Markwood.*



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February 24, 2023 at 08:30 AM



“ *Dr. Markwood was so kind and a true physician who cared. I was around 21 in 1991 in WB, suffering terribly with GI issues and he helped discover I had Crohn's disease and I finally got treatment. I've never forgotten his strong faith in God and his devotion to his family and patients. I'm praying for all who love and miss him.*  
~Melanie (Durfee) Pickett

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**Melanie (Durfee) Pickett** - February 23, 2023 at 06:47 PM

MD

“ Great Dr. He brought my oldest into the world 31 years ago. So sorry for your loss.

Mike Durfee - February 23, 2023 at 01:49 PM

AD

“ Dr. Markwood will be greatly missed. I am so thankful he was my residency director and recruited me to St. Vincent's. He taught me so much. My condolences to his family. Will be praying for all of you.

Ashley Dewitt DO - February 22, 2023 at 06:42 PM

HF

“ Dr. Richard Markwood is an amazing physician and teacher! He was very dedicated to providing good medical care for the community and sharing his wealth of medical and surgical knowledge to many physicians in training. I've learned so much from Dr. Markwood as a medical resident in his Ob/Gyn program. I'm deeply grateful for the opportunity to train with him and learn from him for four years. I still remember one of our conversations in which I told him early in my Ob/Gyn training that I was the acorn and he was the mighty oak tree imparting the knowledge and wisdom.

*Dr. Richard Markwood will be greatly missed!*

*Our deepest condolences to his lovely wife Dr. Shannon Sutherland and Dr. Markwood's family.*

*Helen Huynh, DO, FACOOG*

Helen Huynh, DO FACOOG - February 22, 2023 at 04:40 PM

AH

*In 1986 I was experiencing some severe pains and I picked Dr. Markwood out of the phone book. (Because my husbands name is Mark and I love wooden furniture items. That's a true story) He saw me right away and I ended up having an atopic pregnancy. He took such good care of me. I thought he was one of the best physicians I have ever had.*

*Prayers for him and his family and may he rest in peace.*

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**Anne Marie Havercamp** - February 24, 2023 at 12:27 PM

SP

*I was a member of his church...loved and adored his. mom and Dad.. and the whole family.Not surprised to read the kind and loving comments from His patients. He must have been Such a comfort to them all.. SUE MOCK*

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**Susan Mock Pawelko** - March 06, 2023 at 04:43 PM

PR

“ *Nicest person to work with, I always felt welcomed. Will be missed, praying for the family. Pedro Roca MD*

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**Pedro Roca** - February 22, 2023 at 02:09 PM

KB

“ *Sending all my prayers and condolences to Dr. Shannon Sutherland and Dr. Markwood's family at this difficult time.*



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**Krista B** - February 22, 2023 at 10:51 AM

BM

“ Dr. Markwood was my OBGYN for 20 plus years. Although he didn't deliver my children (his partner at the time Dr. Cody did) Dr. Markwood was a great GYN! He cared for his patients and took extra time with me when I needed it. My daughter now 28, remembers him taking her hand and running down the hall to get her lollipops while I was there being seen (pregnant with her brother) He will truly be missed!! God Bless his Family through this difficult time.

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**billie jo mehl** - February 22, 2023 at 10:22 AM