



Emil Goering, M.D.

August 14, 1927 - January 19, 2013

On January 7, 2013, Emil Leslie Goering, M.D., beloved patriarch and steadfast friend, left this world to rejoin the love of his life in peace with their Creator. Born in McPherson, Kansas on August 14, 1927, he was the eighth in a family of 12 children born to Jonathan J. and Katie Zerger Goering. Emil was baptized at Eden Mennonite Church of Moundridge KS in May 1941 and was a member of the Mennonite Church all of his life. He married Lavina Mae Ediger on September 1, 1948 at Eden Church. She preceded him in death in 2005. Emil's siblings, Meta Juhnke, Elmer Goering, Mary Ann Preheim, Laura Krehbiel, Harvey Goering, Phillip Goering, Reuben Goering and Donald Goering also preceded him in death. While growing up on a farm near Moundridge KS, he planned to be a farmer. He was awarded a State Farmer degree in his senior year in high school. He graduated from Bethel College at North Newton Kansas in 1951, and received his M.D. degree from the University of Kansas, School of Medicine in 1957. In 1975 he was Board Certified in Family Practice. He practiced medicine in Mountain Lake MN, Pretty Prairie, Hutchinson, Burlingame and Topeka KS. Throughout his career he never forgot his origins. He greatly enjoyed the people he encountered in his practice, and always took the time to share a joke or story with patients and co-workers. An accomplished craftsman, he always maintained his home and enjoyed building home furniture, violins, and keepsakes for his grandchildren. In the 1960s, he learned to knit, and made a number of hats and sweaters for himself and his sons. He learned to play golf while in medical

school and enjoyed playing golf all of his life, particularly in later years with his family and in the Berkshire Couples Club. Gardening was another favorite activity. He was awarded a Master Gardener Certificate from Kansas State University in 2002, and a first prize on his landscape by the Topeka Beautification organization in 1999. Survivors include five children, daughter, Beth and Allan Tanner, of Wichita; sons, Michael Goering, Les and Linda Goering, Thomas and Deborah Goering , and Jonas and Sherry Goering, all of Topeka KS; grandchildren, Naomi (Tanner) and Bradley Smith, Patricia Goering and Jeff Johansen, Megan Goering, Katrina Goering, Ben Goering, Kevin Goering, Jacob Goering, Henry Goering, Joel Goering, and Anna Goering; great-grandchildren, Elliot and Alice Smith; siblings Marjorie Stucky and Clyde Goering of Moundridge KS and Marlo Goering, of Wichita KS. A memorial Service for Emil will be held at Southern Hills Mennonite Church, Topeka KS, on January 19, 2013, at 11 a.m. In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, Emil made several trips to the gulf coast to serve as a volunteer with Mennonite Disaster Service rebuilding houses damaged by Hurricane Katrina. Memorial contributions can be made to Mennonite Disaster Service, 583 Airport Road, Lititz, PA 17543 mds.mennonite.net .

Tribute Wall



“ *Emil Goering, M.D.*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *I remember well, Dr Goering, when at Santa Fe Hospital. He was always upbeat and ready to help. He will be missed.*

Barbara Peter - January 23, 2013 at 03:12 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy to all of Emil's family. Every memory and every tear is a celebration of a life well lived and a friend well loved. The memorial service this morning was wonderful and there were lots of tears, but also lots of smiles. I know he was up there in heaven smiling. Emil will be dearly missed at our Friday night Couple's golf league. He was so much fun to be around and a heck of a good golfer too. Rest in peace that he in Heaven now with Lavina and all his good golfing buddies that have gone before him. God Bless you all.*

Kathy Fuller - January 19, 2013 at 05:01 PM



“ *I am so sorry to miss the wonderful family sharing moments this morning. And the memorial service. I remember Uncle Emil's crazy, a little off-color sense of humor! I really loved him.*

Steph

stephanie hamilton - January 19, 2013 at 09:45 AM

DC

“ Linda & Les, Jonas & Sherry and families,

We always looked forward to playing golf with Emil (and Anita) on Friday nights @ BCC. He was funny and such a straight shooter; we always marveled at him, especially on those hot summer evenings!

He was just one "neat ol' guy"!! He'll certainly be missed!

Donna, John Campbell

Donna, John Campbell - January 18, 2013 at 12:07 PM

CS

“ Sincere sympathy is extended to the Goering family. Many of us worked at Security Benefit when Dr. Goering was the Company doctor. He always was pleasant, caring, and, if asked, would contribute some good information or a recommendation. He always let it be known that his family was the joy and pride of his life. He was also very kind at consoling associates upon the death of a loved one. Our condolences go out to all of you at this time.

Security Benefit Retirees

by Carol DeGroff Sook

Carol Sook - January 17, 2013 at 10:52 AM

AB

“ Linda & Les, I am sorry to hear of your family's loss. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Angie Bolz - January 17, 2013 at 08:38 AM

LI

“ *Dr. Mike and Dr. Jonas:
My Condolences go out to you and your Families.
Know that I am thinking of you and may you have
tons of Memories of your Dad.
May he RIP God Bless.*

Libby - January 15, 2013 at 07:20 PM

JR

“ *Linda & Les,

We are sorry for your loss. We will keep you and your family in our
prayers.

John & Georgette Reb*

John & Georgette Reb - January 14, 2013 at 11:20 PM

JD

“ *Dr. Goering was a role model in how to live life joyfully, appreciate
your blessings and treat your fellow human beings. He was special
to me and many others. My sympathies to his family. He is home.*

Jan Dean - January 14, 2013 at 10:46 AM

TS

“ *Goering brothers, I did not know your dad very well but if the apples
didn't fall far he was a great man. To the entire Goering clan, I am
sorry for your loss.*

Tom Stratton - January 13, 2013 at 05:17 PM

JM

“ I worked with Dr. Goering for many years at DDS. He was a very caring, smart and funny man. He spoke often of his family especially his precious wife. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family. He will be missed.

Joanne Mitchell - January 13, 2013 at 02:32 PM

DH

“ My sincere condolences to Dr. Goering's family. Dr. Goering was the most caring and considerate doctor I have ever been to. I hold him as the standard for a professional, caring physician. God bless him and keep him close.

D Hilton - January 13, 2013 at 11:02 AM