

DR. DAVID J. RICKARD

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the sudden passing of Dr. David J. Rickard, a beloved brother, uncle, cousin, friend, physician, mentor and artist who left this world on October 25, 2024, at the age of 62. He is survived by his brother, James H. Rickard, Jr. of Lake City, PA; and sisters, Judy A. (Jack) Fouser of West Mifflin, PA and Dory J. Rickard of White Oak, PA. He also leaves behind nephews, Brett (Dina) Fouser, Brian Fouser and Brad Fouser; along with two great-nieces, Brynn and Dessa; aunts, uncles, and numerous cousins. He was preceded in death by his wonderful and loving parents, James H. Rickard, Sr. and Ida Mae (Herder) Rickard of West Mifflin, PA. Dave was such a cool and down-to-earth person, even after becoming a doctor. He continued to be approachable, friendly and helpful. Such a tragic loss of a great person. Anyone who met Dave came away with a sense of peace and feeling that he truly cared about them. His untimely sudden death is a heart-wrenching reminder of how unpredictable life can be. One of the nicest and kindest people in the world, he would give the shirt off of his back to anyone in need. His bedside manner with patients was beyond top-notch. Family and friends are devastated by the loss of Dave and need some time to process this tragedy. Celebration of life services will be planned further in the future, probably one in Pittsburgh and one in North Carolina.

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