



Dr. Marion Leonard Stahl

August 9, 1927 - March 15, 2022

Marion Leonard Stahl, beloved son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, and friend, passed away March 15, 2022, after a long, vibrant and beautiful life. He liked people, and people LOVED him, especially his patients. Over the course of his life, he answered to many different names, all affectionately penned by those he came to know and love – Marion, Bubba, Honey, Stahl, First Lieutenant, Dad, Grandpa, Papa, Great Grandpa, Dr. Stahl, Doc, Doc Stahl, Little Brother and Micko. Marion was born to Florence Picard Stahl and Dr. Louis J. Stahl in Gonzales, TX on August 9, 1927. Always the over-achiever, Bubba graduated from High School 2 years early and attended College at THE University of Texas at Austin. While in college Stahl was a member of the Phi Sigma Delta fraternity which later became ZBT. Doc Stahl went on to be an Advisor for the Austin chapter of ZBT for 33 years. At the ripe old age of 18, he left college two years early to start medical school at the University of Tennessee's Medical School in Memphis - the other UT.

Dr. Stahl graduated medical school first in his class in 1948 at age 21. Fun fact, his thesis paper was titled: "A Comparison of Drug Procedures in the Amelioration of Pain in Childbirth". Doc completed multiple residencies: (i) 1949-1950 in Obstetrics and Gynecology in St. Louis, MO at Barnes Hospital and (ii) 1953-56 in Chicago at The Chicago Lying-In Hospital and Dispensary at the University of Chicago. In between residencies, First Lieutenant Stahl served in the U.S. Army in Wurzburg, Germany from 1951-53, practicing general medicine, obstetrics and gynecology. In 1956 he moved to ATX to set up his own practice, and was Board Certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology in 1961, becoming one of the first OB/GYN specialists in Austin. His OB/GYN work and practice spanned over 40 years until he retired in 1997. Following a blind date and lengthy 3-week romance, Honey married the love of his life Marilyn Faye Saikin on December 3, 1961; they recently celebrated their 60th anniversary.

Little Brother had a special bond with all of his family which included sharing a love of UT sports and golf with his brother Henri. Papa was known for always having a joke ready for any occasion or situation, appropriate... or not (and those were the best ones)! His timing,

tone, accents and delivery were damn good. He liked Jazz and he liked the occasional glass of scotch or Pinot Noir (but only if it was from Willamette Valley!). Micko volunteered in the Austin Jewish Community over the years, including serving as President of the JCCA from 1977-78 though he preferred working behind the scenes. In the early 1960s, Dad also led the Austin Chapter of the American Cancer Society, educating the local community and raising funds for cancer research. Doc took special pride in having been the attending physician for the UT-Austin Golf Team for many years; more than one of those he cared for went on to win multiple PGA golf majors – just sayin'. And the good Doctor capped off his professional career with a stint as mentor/teacher at Brackenridge Hospital in Austin. Dr. Stahl befriended and became especially close to his many caregivers – they blessed him in return with kind hearts and thoughtful moments, making his final years and months so comfortable, peaceful and meaningful – Victoria, Cynthia, Al, Cecelia, and so many others – thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Dad is survived by his wife Marilyn, and his children: Stuart Stahl and wife Ronda, Brent Stahl and wife Susan, Nancy Stahl Shuman and her life's love Lee Dickerson. Grandpa is survived by seven grandchildren: Courtney Kizer and husband Steve, Harrison Stahl, Bradley Stahl, Seth Shuman, Noah Shuman, Jacob Stahl, and Gabe Stahl along with tons of cousins, nieces, nephews and friends. Great Grandpa is survived by great granddaughter Wesley Shuman. And Dr. Stahl is survived by one of life's special people, Robertia Wilson.

Honey/Dad/Grandpa/Great Grandpa loved to brag about his wife, children, grandchildren, and great grandchild, mostly behind their back, lest they get too cocky. Marion, Bubba, Honey, Stahl, First Lieutenant, Dad, Grandpa, Papa, Great Grandpa, Dr. Stahl, Doc, Doc Stahl, Little Brother and Micko, we love you and miss you so much! WHAT ELSE?

For those wishing to make a donation in Marion Stahl's memory, he asked that donations be made to:

Power for Parkinson's, 5555 N. Lamar Blvd., Suite L121, Austin, TX 78751 <https://www.powerforparkinsons.org/donate>

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Cemetery Details

Austin Memorial Park

2800 Hancock Dr
Austin, TX 78731

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dr Stahl is the one who, with God's Help Leading and Grace, delivered me into this world.. He also delivered my brother, almost two years after I was born, and then my little sister, almost 16 years after I was born!! My mom, Norma, cherished him very much and missed him greatly when she had to stop using him as a physician!! Over my 51 years I have heard many many tales of Dr Stahl, lovingly told by my mom who always so very proud to have him as her physician and respected him greatly. She so very greatly appreciated the care he took care of her, through miscarriage and pregnancies, and the kindness and gentleness that he showed her which was obvious through the exceptional care that he took with her!! He cared for her through a miscarriage, before I was born, ordered her a steak dinner at St. David's after I was born and made her feel important and like a priority to him whenever she was in his care.*

I pray he knew how very much a Blessing he was, not only to his greatly loved family and friends, but his patients, and the babies he delivered, as well!!

Natalie Wickey - December 15, 2022 at 12:09 PM



Actually, correction, my little sister was born 16 years + several months after I was born!!

Natalie Wickey - December 15, 2022 at 12:11 PM

SS

Oh how I loved this man. He delivered my second son, a robust redhead who also went to the University of Texas. Every year I would make that trip to 32nd for my annual Pap smear. Twelve years later I had a hysterectomy performed by my trusted doctor. Doc sat on the side of my bed and all I saw was that gorgeous gold linked bracelet. My husband quipped later on that my surgery added another link to that bracelet. On one of my checkups he made me stand in front of his office girls. “ See, ladies. Having a hysterectomy does NOT cause you to gain weight.” I had lost weight through walking and diet and Dr. Stahl was proud of me. As the years went by I saw Dr. Stahl less and less. One day he was at the hamburger place on Mesa and joined my friend Sandy and I for lunch. Sandy was from Gonzales, too. I didn't know they knew each other. My, my, who knew you had such a rich and wonderful life!!! So proud of you and proud I had time with you. RIP, Dr. Stahl. You were one in a million!

Sharon Stewart Stanwood - July 07, 2023 at 10:43 PM



“ *Dr. Marion Leonard Stahl*

October 14, 2022 at 12:02 PM

AN

“ I was a patient of Dr. Stahl in the 1980's. Before having major surgery in 1988, I asked two things of him - that the surgery be performed on a Monday after he had a relaxing weekend and that I be the first up. On the Monday morning of the surgery, he breezed into my hospital room - a heavy gold chain around his neck, two buttons of his shirt undone, performed a pirouette dance move - and asked “Do I look relaxed enough?” We had a good laugh. But when I came out of the anesthesia he was waiting right there sitting on the windowsill, in serious doctor mode, updating me on how the surgery went. I have told this story many times because that was a life changing moment for me and he made it bearable. I will never forget. It is said that as long as a person is remembered they will never die.

Annell - August 05, 2022 at 10:23 AM

SS

Oh that Dr. Stahl. I went to him many, many years. He delivered my second son in 1970. I thought my water broke so we headed to the hospital. Driving to the hospital i realized there were no contractions and i must have peed on myself. Pushed in a wheelchsr i met him in the sidewalk. He had on a light blue Banlon Shirt. I told him i dont think im in labor. He daid “ You got me up at 4 a.m., we ARE having a baby. Boy did it hurt wjen ge broke the sac.

I kept going through the years and i had all kinds of female problems. He determined i needed a hysterectomy for endometriosis and fibroid tumors. Afterward he sat on the bed and took out my stitches and i noticed his girgeous bracelet. My husband quipped that we paid for one of those links. Oh and for the record, i got a crush on him while in the hospital. Hey, he removed all my pain! My hero!!

Lastly, i started losing weight. He took me by the hand to show the office girls and said “ ladies, dont tell me you got fat because of a hysterectomy.”

How i loved Dr. Stahl and glad he lived a ling, good life!!. He eas from Gonzales, my best friend's hometown.

sharon Stewart - May 06, 2024 at 02:19 AM

MW

“ Marilyn and all your family, my heartfelt good wishes during this difficult time.
Mary White

Mary White - April 04, 2022 at 10:29 AM

LE

“ So many happy childhood memories spending time with the Stahl family and Uncle Marion. I can hear him saying "Lester" as I type this. He was always fun, so engaged and even kept me safe from the sharks in the movie Jaws among other memories.

Sending you all my love and sincere condolences.

Leslie Karotkin

leslie - March 18, 2022 at 01:00 PM

JY

I had the good fortune to practice with Marion from 1982-1997 along with Joe McIlhaney, Bob Fulmer and JoBess Hammer. He was beloved at St Davids Medical Center where he practiced and was Chief of Obstetrics and President of the medical staff.

He was a great mentor and I learned so much from him. More than learning techniques I learned how to be a doctor and leader.

My condolences to the Stahl family.

We Will miss you Marion!

Jeff Youngkin - March 30, 2022 at 01:24 PM

BK

“ Doc and I were Advisors for Lambda Chapter, Phi Sigma Delta Fraternity and ZBT for forty years at the University of Texas. He had the hard job, he made sure everyone paid their dues on time! I had the easy job, I was in charge of rush. No one wanted Doc Stahl to call their parents and tell them their son had not paid their dues !!!! Never had a problem, with delinquent dues! What a wonderful sweet man he was! I have great memories serving with him! We were very proud that the FRAT is now the best and largest on the University of Texas campus and nation wide. Thank you Doc Stahl! I know he will be delivering babies and playing golf in heaven soon!!! Billy Koen

Billy Koen - March 16, 2022 at 09:43 PM