



Dr. Richard Mayhew McCutcheon

April 27, 2023

Dr. Richard Mayhew McCutcheon
August 26, 1937 – April 27, 2023

Passed away peacefully at home. Bravely battled cancer. Beloved husband to Dr. Amelia McCutcheon; father to Jody, Mark, Kim, Scott and Chris, and daughters-in-law Dr. Praveena and Dr. Jennie ; loving grandfather to Lakshman, Maya, Kira, Benjamin and Charlotte.

Richard was an anesthesiologist for almost 50 years at Northwestern Hospital and Humber River Regional Hospital. He was a Medical volunteer with Operation Smile and Hospital on Wheels Philippines, helping thousands of people.

He and Amy loved travelling. He always had a smile and kind words for everyone. Favourite hobbies included writing, reading, wine and coffee, morning puzzles, movies and sports. He was a Civil War buff. He loved music and sang in the Greenborough Church choir.

In retirement he enjoyed living in The Beach, playing Frisbee with Amy by the lake and making friends along Queen Street. He loved doing video chats to connect with family and friends around the world. Richard will be dearly missed.

Celebration of Life will be held at the Balmy Beach Club on Sunday, June 11th, 2023 between 12pm - 3pm. <https://balmybeachclub.com> In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Hospital on Wheels Philippines. Make cheques payable to Greenborough Community Church (mail to 2000 Keele St., Toronto ON, M6M 3Y4).

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUN 11. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Balmy Beach Club

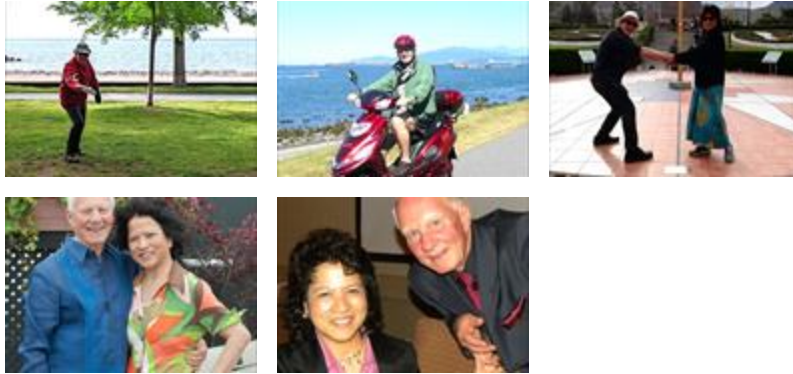
360 Lake Front

Toronto, ON M4E 1A7 (CA)

Tribute Wall

AM

“ 7 files added to the album MEMORIES OF RICHARD



Amelia Mccutcheon - July 01, 2023 at 06:34 AM

AG

“ *My deepest condolences to the family of Dr McCutcheon. I met Dr M when he hired me at Northwestern Hospital to start the new Respiratory Service in 1975. From the very beginning he was kind, supportive and there to help out when I needed help. Always with a smile to greet everyone. Once when I was struggling financially, Dr McCutcheon heard about it and without hesitation called to see if he could help. He was that kind of person. It was an honour and a privilege to work with him and I will always have fond memories of those days. Rest peacefully You will be missed forever. Ann Gun-Munro*

Ann Gun-Munro - June 10, 2023 at 02:24 PM

GM

“ I worked with Richard for many years at Humber River Hospital before the merger, some of the time when he and I were Co Chiefs of Anesthesia. Richard was always trying to make things work as we moved towards merging the two Departments. His upbeat manner, positive outlook, warmth and friendliness contributed a lot to making that happen. He was an excellent anesthesiologist and was very focused on making his patients feel at ease before they went off to sleep. Richard treated every the same - with respect and warmth and good humour. He is very much missed.

My sincere condolences to Jody and Amy and all his family.

Grant Maxted

Grant Maxted - June 04, 2023 at 02:43 PM

AK

“ Dear Richard,
I really appreciate the love, caring and devotion you have given my sister Amy. You were always there for her. You will forever remain in our hearts and your spirit will always be felt. Thank you for coming into our lives and enriching all of us. You were an amazing person that showed us all how to live life to the fullest and give back to others.

We love and miss you always and forever. Till we meet again. Rest in peace Richard. Eternal rest grant unto you, O Lord. 🙏

Aurora Sanchez Kressig

Aurora Kressig - May 26, 2023 at 04:09 PM

AM

“ *Richard was a Renaissance Man. He was multi-talented with a zest for life. He was a doctor, a writer, a poet, a singer, and a public relations man. He made friends wherever he went. He’s fun and genuinely felt like he’s your best friend. One time I asked him to cover for me as chair of an Academy of Management conference panel in Las Vegas. During the discussions, he said something that I did not agree. I raised my hand and said I would argue . . . everyone was surprised . . . Richard laughed . . . the meeting became more stimulating . . . The Academy invited him every year, the last one in 2016 in London, England.*

Thank you, my SWEETHEART, your BEING filled our lives with wonderful moments, full of adventures and making a difference in the world.

Thank you, my LOVE, for 27 years of glorious (your word) married life. Here is the picture you kept in your wallet for 27 years, and of our 20th wedding anniversary.

Amelia (Amy) McCutcheon



Amelia Mccutcheon - May 22, 2023 at 04:42 PM

LI

“ To Amy and Richard's Family, our deepest condolences.

It was Year 2000, when we met Richard , through my best friend, Aurora, sister of Amy. We were at our Office Reunion in Canada. My husband and I were cordially invited to stay at their place at Birchcroft Road, Islington, Ontario. Meeting Richard for the first time, as if we have known each other, as he welcomed us with his big smile and brotherly hug. Instantly, a New Friend had been found.

Our two day stay with The McCutcheons was very comfortable and preciously memorable. Richard made us feel at home by his graciousness, hospitality, kindness and good heart. He touched many lives in different ways and we are honored and blessed , we are one of the many. Richard, Rest assured you are loved and will be greatly missed.

Eternal Rest Grant unto Richard O Lord and let Perpetual Light Shine upon him. May he Rest in Peace.

*Love and Prayers,
Luisito and Jeanette Ilagan*

Luisito and Jeanette Ilagan - May 16, 2023 at 05:10 PM

MT

“ *Catching Dick at the bottom of his massive driveway on Birchcroft Rd was one of the little joys of the neighbourhood. Whether talking about music, history, science, world events, whatever, his views were always well considered, never pedantic and always entertaining. He was a family man, athletic, funny, caring and a great neighbour. I am grateful to have known him and his family.*

Mark Thornley - May 07, 2023 at 09:33 PM

SM

“ As a Beaches resident and tenant of Drs. Richard and Amy McCutcheon, I am deeply saddened by the loss of such an extraordinary individual. From reading these Tribute messages it's easy to see that Richard's kindness, warmth, and genuine care touched the lives of many in profound ways, and his memory will forever be cherished.

I first met Richard in 2015, his infectious smile and genuine "good morning!" instantly made me feel welcome and connected. We hit it off right away. As someone who has also dedicated their career to healthcare, I deeply admired Richard's unwavering kindness and respect towards every person he encountered, ensuring that each individual felt seen and valued. His extraordinary ability to uplift and bring joy to those around him was truly remarkable.

In the few times we spent together, our conversations were always enjoyable. It was a delightful revelation when I unveiled my pursuit of a new hobby in wine education, and a sparkle ignited in Richard's eyes. From that point forward, our subsequent encounters were always filled with his genuine eagerness to hear about my studies. He patiently listened as I delved into the intricate details of winemaking, geography and history. In those special moments, Richard made me feel like a teacher, attentively absorbing every new detail I shared.

To Amy and Richard's family, I hope you find solace in the cherished moments you shared, the wisdom he imparted, and the love he bestowed upon you. May his legacy remind us to treat others with the same warmth and respect that he showed each and every one of us.

*With heartfelt condolences,
Stephanie Mooney*

Stephanie Mooney - May 03, 2023 at 02:19 PM

SK

“ While a loving and supportive father, and husband, he was so much more than that to my siblings, his wife Amy and me. He was a great friend, a confident, advisor and a teacher, Someone who supports, but doesn't judge and constantly goes out of his way to help others.

Kind and considerate He was an incredible storyteller and an even better listener. He loved people and they loved him back. Forgiveness, love, respect for others...he lived and breathed that every day.

Curious and with an inquiring mind He embraced life with unparalleled gusto, always keen on new experiences, learning new things and meeting new people from any walk of life. This enthusiasm was infectious and I dare you not to share his excitement, may it be walking with him through a medieval village in England, along the boardwalk in Coney Island, or just sharing the simple joy of a great cup of coffee in the Beaches.

While geography and circumstances separated us earlier in my life as I grew older we had the good fortune to spend more time with each other. It is impossible for me to recount all the numerous (great) conversations we had over the years, the meals and bottles of wine we shared, but I will cherish them all.

A great personality, and voice, that filled a room he was a joy to spend time with. While he is no longer amongst us his his presence is still deeply felt by all of us and he will be missed. Sending love to my Brothers and Sisters Kim, Jody, Chris and Mark and his wife Amy who was an amazing help and support to not only our father but us all as well during this difficult time

Scott Kraenzlein-McCutcheon - May 02, 2023 at 05:07 PM

PR

“ Dr. Richard M. McCutcheon, the best & longest time I have known him was when we had our family reunion spent in a Baltic Mediterranean Cruise. Two weeks cruise with the family. He was very vibrant, the sweetest smile in his face that I can still vision up to now. He was looking after everybody making sure we were all doing great & enjoying every moment together. It is always the smile on his face that captivates everybody; friendly approachable smiling face. I will deeply miss you, your kindness that is worth remembering in my lifetime. We love you, Richard. Until me meet again. God bless. The angels are surely happy singing with you now.

Paz Sanchez Estipona, R.N. - May 02, 2023 at 06:30 AM

CI

“ When I was in university, I considered pursuing a career in medicine. Naturally, I wanted to learn about the medical profession from the closest doctor in the family, my stepdad, Richard. Richard graciously offered for me to shadow him at the hospital for a day. What I learned from him that day would leave an imprint on me for life. And it had nothing to do with medicine.

You see, from the minute we entered the hospital, I watched Richard greet everybody, and I mean everybody, with a warm smile, a genuine “good morning!”, and often, a hug or high five. It didn't matter if he saw a patient, the CEO, or the cleaning staff, Richard treated everyone the same way - with kindness and respect - making them feel seen and valued. And we all loved him because of how he made us feel.

I once heard that the effect you have on others is the most valuable currency there is. By that measure, our lives are all richer for having known Richard. Thank you, Richard, for being a wonderful father and friend to me, and grandfather (“Lolo”) to my children. I feel lucky to have loved and been loved by you.

Chris Ito - May 01, 2023 at 09:16 PM

JM

“ I visited Dad shortly after he and Amy moved to The Beach. We walked along Queen Street and every block Dad stopped several times to introduce himself to people and chat. I pulled him aside and told him he can't just talk to people willy-nilly. After all, I reminded him, this wasn't his old neighbourhood where he knew everyone. The next time I visited and we were walking along Queen Street, so many people stopped him to say hi and chat. I had no choice but to smile and put my foot in my mouth. Wherever he goes, Dad makes friends the way Vivaldi composed concertos, which is to say prolifically. Wherever he is now, he's already befriended everyone!

Jody McCutcheon - May 01, 2023 at 12:22 PM

GD

My deepest condolences to you and your family Jody on the passing of your dad. I remember him from Northwestern days what a nice man he was. May he rest in eternal peace.

Gabriella Dimartino - May 03, 2023 at 12:25 AM

 Mia Santos

Dear Jody

Its been awhile and I hope you're doing well. I was deeply saddened to hear about the passing of your dad. He was someone who had a positive impact on my life and I'm sure on many others. I will always remember him fondly. I have many great memories of the time I spent with him, and I will cherish them always.

My memory of your dad was that he was a kind and caring person, who always had a smile on his face. His love of life was infectious and he shared it without boundaries.

Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts.

With deepest sympathy,

Christine Reyes

Mia Santos - May 11, 2023 at 04:35 PM

DO

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Dr. Paul D. Owen - April 29, 2023 at 04:32 PM

DO

“ *The friendship Richard ("Dick") and I shared was special ... a once in a lifetime experience. We understood one another, related well to each other, could talk and laugh about anything and everything knowing that it was mutual love and respect that cemented our relationship. Such a deep friendship is infrequent and unusual in one's life and for this I am and will always be thankful. I will miss Dick, but, for me, he will always be a part of who I am. - Dr. Paul D. Owen*



Dr. Paul D. Owen - April 29, 2023 at 04:22 PM