



Dr. Andrew Arthur Moschogianis

October 9, 1951 - September 21, 2016

On September 21st, 2016, we all lost a man who was larger than life. Dr. Andrew Arthur Moschogianis was born October 9th, 1951 to Peter and Adelaide Moschogianis in Bermuda. He is survived by his loving wife, Zina and her son Patrick; his brother, Peter Moschogianis; sister Christine Moschogianis; children from 2 marriages, Alcyon Amato (Mill Creek, WA), Laurel Gilmore (Everett, WA) and Chad Hortsch (San Marcos, TX); grandchildren Walter, Orrin and Archer Gilmore and Dorian Hortsch. He was a devoted and loving father who took caring for others very seriously – and excelled at it. He was a hobby farmer, loved the Blazers and hated salmon fishing.

Andy graduated at the top of his class in 1973 from the University of Illinois Dental School. He enjoyed a long career at Kaiser Permanente Dental Associates. While there he touched many lives, both personally and professionally. If he were to be asked about the high points of his life, he would say his wife, his career and his children... Let's not forget the vanquishing of the garbage burner, something he counted as a major victory.

Andy was a very private person who shared little. I hope this small excerpt brings peace to his memory and all those who were touched by him.

A "Festival of Remembrance" will be held at our home October 22nd, 2016

from 1 to 4 pm., celebrating his Greek heritage with food and spirits. It will be outside in a covered area, and shoes are recommended for walking on sand. Please come and share memories. For address info, or to RSVP please email Zina at zinat@comcast.net.

Previous Events

Festival of Remembrance

OCT **22**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PT)

See obituary for RSVP info

Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Andrew Arthur Moschogianis*

January 28, 2023 at 02:51 PM

DS

“ I first met Andy when I started with PDA in 1991, and, I immediately liked him. He was straightforward, honest, cheerful, and always interested in doing the best for patients and the program. We interfaced in so many ways; from clinical cases, the implant committee, the laboratory, training issues, and just winding my way through the culture of a new organization. I had a lot of experience in the USPHS and said that I would feel free to do what I saw needed to be done. It was Andy that kept an eye on me and redirected me a time or two when things went beyond the PDA norms. At some point he became a direct line supervisor, liason, or whatever we called it, but it was never different from the original relationship we had always had. I always appreciated our relationship.

We met for lunch a few times after we each retired. I learned how endeared he was to Zina and how happy he was with their life. I also learned his love for his gentleman's farm and the things he did to stay involved in dentistry. He told me something that especially touched me during those lunches. I had come to PDA at a time when he felt he was losing interest in clinical dentistry and he thanked me for renewing his interest and giving him a fresh start clinically. I was moved, but I, equally, had to thank him for watching my back and making sure that I was fitting in the best way for the organization. The gentleness of his oversight meant a lot to me as well.

I wish the best to Zina and regret that I will not be able to meet her at his service. I will miss Andy. People like him do not come that often, and even less frequently do they become your friend.

Bill Straube

Dr. Bill Straube - October 22, 2016 at 02:00 PM

PM

“ *RIP my brother !*

Peter Moschogianis

Peter Moschogianis - October 21, 2016 at 06:03 PM

KS

“ *started seeing Dr.Andy in1979, and that was post only seeing a Dent.as a child when one had to come out and then it was military care, so not much, and God Bless Andy he spent months getting my mouth in useable shape including a bridge that took twice a month for four months to get right due to a shifting wisdom tooth that had to be used for a ground to hold the bridge, and you know he was not going to do less than perfect he gave me a smile I never had, grew up with fangs and made that a thing of the past. have so much admiration for such a good man thanks for shearing he is greatly missed by all the people he touched. Kathleen Stewart (Sinton)*

kat stewart - October 18, 2016 at 06:37 PM

KF

“ I remember Andy from our large science lectures at U. of Oregon, but I never knew him personally. We both were accepted to dental school after 3 years of undergrad work and landed up in Chicago: He at the U. of Illinois and I at Northwestern. However, we never ran into each other during our years in the Windy City.

Our lives didn't cross again until May of 1980 when I joined Permanente Dental Associates. I remember the first time that we ran into each other, and we both said, "I know you from somewhere".

One of my favorite memories was visiting Andy at his home in the summer of 1980. At the time, he had the hobby of raising tumbler pigeons. He let his flock go, and we watched them tumble until one tumbled into the ground. In typical Andy humor, he said something like, "Stupid bird!"

Andy was dedicated and loyal to our dental group, and he had a no-nonsense, get-er-done attitude when it came to new facilities for our dental program expansion. His patients loved him, his dental assistants loved him, and someone commented here describing Andy as a big teddy bear.

I loved his humor and, especially, his laugh. He will be missed.

Rest in peace, Andy.

Kurt Ferré - October 16, 2016 at 11:39 PM

SG

“ I was a patient of Dr. Andy from 1976 until he retired. As he moved from clinic to clinic, I followed him. He was the best! He was very compassionate and cared about his patients and their needs. I am so sorry for everyone's loss when he passed. Andy, you will be missed by many lives you have touched! Your patients were not just numbers, we were all people first.

Lord, thank you for letting us have Andy for the short time he was here with us!

Long time patient, Sue (McGuire) Gorshe

Sue Gorshe - October 16, 2016 at 11:15 AM

CM

“ I had the pleasure to work with Andy for a number of years creating dental facilities for Kaiser. Andy was the grandfather of standards for the dental program. Doing the right thing and always seeking to make improvements was his driving desire. He probably never knew his influence carried over into the design of medical facilities. Andy's calm and humorous manner made decision making painless. When Andy talked everyone listened. Kaiser is a better place because of Andy. Thanks Andy for all you did.

Claude Moss

Claude Moss - October 16, 2016 at 10:32 AM

CT

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Andy 12 years ago while he was still working at PDA. What started as a business relationship grew into a friendship. I always looked forward to seeing Andy on my trips to Portland. I will miss him. My condolences to Zina and his family.

Chad Taylor

chad taylor - October 11, 2016 at 03:00 PM

CH

“ Andy was an amazing person. I learned alot from him and will always be grateful for our friendship. His lessons continue to influence my life. He will be missed greatly.

Chad M. Hortsch - October 07, 2016 at 05:55 PM

JL

“ I had the pleasure of having Andy as a colleague and working with him for 30 years. He was so comfortable to be around and without pretensions. What you saw is what he was--a big, lovable teddy bear. I could always expect to share a hearty laugh with Andy whether it was over his spinning pigeons, his sheep, working in our dental group's "Ivory Tower" or "spending other people's money" when designing our dental clinics. I can just picture him chortling about the "hating Salmon fishing" line.

Joe Leben

Joe Leben - October 06, 2016 at 01:10 PM



“ 9 files added to the album Memories



Hillside Chapel - October 05, 2016 at 05:28 PM

GO

“ My deepest condolences to Andy's family at his passing. I knew Andy as a peer, and friend for almost 3 decades and he was indeed a man of great talents. He provided wonderful encouragement and support to me personally in support of my career with our dental group. His dedication, commitment and service to our organization was sincerely appreciated by all and I will place myself as a grateful benefactor of his service. We all will carry on our warm memories of Andy.

Rest in Peace Andy

Greg Otto

greg otto - October 05, 2016 at 04:33 PM

HN

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Andy through AAAHC and we were able to participate in surveys together. I knew each time we would be working together would be a time of great camaraderie and fun. Andy knew his way around the ambulatory care environment and brought that great base of knowledge to the forefront and betterment of each organization he surveyed. It's the after-hours times I enjoyed the most and Andy's great sense of humor and lust for life.

Rest in peace...

Hugh Norsted

Hugh Norsted - October 05, 2016 at 03:08 PM

MA

“ *I was saddened to hear of his passing glad I had the opportunity to work with him*



Mary aubrey - October 04, 2016 at 09:22 PM

DE

“ *Andy was a great mentor to me. His faith in me helped me to be the dentist I am today. He loved to pass on his knowledge or to talk about how we could solve a clinical problem. I am privileged to have worked with him for many years. Many of his patients became my patients when he retired. They still talk about what wonderful care he gave them. He will be greatly missed.*
Doug Edwards DMD

Doug Edwards - October 04, 2016 at 05:06 PM

JB

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Joseph Benda - October 03, 2016 at 10:25 PM

BR

“ I worked with Andy for nearly 30 years and have many good memories. I felt fortunate to be able to visit him in the hospital several times in his last few weeks in the hospital and we were able to have some good conversations. Andy made many contributions to PDA over the years. I just wish to convey my condolences and best wishes to his wife and his daughters and families. Bob Rose

bob rose - October 03, 2016 at 08:23 PM

BS

“ Having worked virtually side by side with Andy for nearly thirty years I found him to be a trusted friend. He would tell you to your face if he thought you wrong and would back you to anyone if he thought you were right. He was a meticulous planner and included everyone in the details of plans. He always had time to drop what he was doing if you needed help or advice which was given with a great deal of experience behind it. Intelligent, skilled, and exacting, but always ready for a good laugh describe Andy, my friend and, proud to say, my colleague.
Bob Smith

Bob Smith - October 03, 2016 at 07:07 PM

PM

“ Sincere condolences from our family to yours. Andy will be missed, but his memories will live on.

Phil Mann

Phil Mann - October 03, 2016 at 04:08 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. Andrew Arthur Moschogianis.*



October 03, 2016 at 12:49 PM



“ *I am sure this gentle man will be missed by his many family and friends, including me. May time help assuage the grief each of us feels at his passing, and may each of us always remember what he brought to our lives. It was a pleasure to have known him.*

Wendell L. Belknap

Wendell Belknap - October 03, 2016 at 10:57 AM

DD

“ Andy was an intelligent, generous and gifted colleague who shared his multiple talents in service to others ... his family, his patients, his dentist colleagues and friends. He contributed enormously to the dental group and organization where he practiced his profession. Creative and always reliable, Andy would find a way to accomplish whatever challenge faced him, clinically or administratively. Most importantly, during the 25 plus years I worked with and came to know Andy, he grew to be a loyal and dependable friend, always and readily available to offer help and support whether professional or personal.

Though a private person, preferring to maintain his personal life as separate, as our friendship deepened, he unfailingly expressed the love and pride he felt for his family. His two daughters were a source of immeasurable joy and he would often talk of their accomplishments.

My life is better for having known you, my friend! Rest in peace!

*Don Prasnikar DDS
Cary, NC*

Don Prasnikar DDS - October 03, 2016 at 08:20 AM

CR

“ Andy was at times my boss and at other times my colleague. He also acted in the role of a mentor to me, but he was first and foremost, my friend. I had the good fortune to work with him for over 20 years and he taught me so much. He made a genuine impact on my life and he will be sorely missed.

*Chuck Rosson, DMD
Happy Valley, OR*

Chuck Rosson - October 02, 2016 at 05:54 PM

GJ

“ Andy, the consummate "gentle giant!" We worked many surgery center surveys together for AAAHC and even went so far as to try to coordinate with each other when scheduling those site visits. His humor was so sardonic and priceless. He cracked me up continuously. I especially enjoyed the stories about his dog. While neither of us have been involved with that company anymore, My times with Andy will always be a highlight. God Bless you Andy. You were one of a kind!

Greg Jellinek, MD
Truckee, CA

Greg Jellinek - October 02, 2016 at 03:02 PM

PM

“ Andy and I may have not always seen eye to eye but he was always there for my mom and I and he opened a lot of doors for us both and at time it scares me to think of where my life would be if he wasn't in it and now that he's not it hurts but I wanna do right by him and live the best I can



Patrick moschogianis - October 01, 2016 at 08:39 PM

MP

“ Andy and I did many surveys together for AAAHC. I was always very happy to team up with Andy as we managed to make work fun! After a day of onsite survey we would go out to dinner and share war stories of past surveys. Andy also would bring me up to date on his farm and, of course, never failed to talk about Zena! I considered Andy a good friend and co-worker. I think about him often and will miss him terribly!

*Michael Peabody
Golden, CO*

Michael Peabody - October 01, 2016 at 03:23 PM



“ I only knew Dr. Andy for a short period of time but it did not take long to figure out that he was a caring person and a loving husband. I enjoyed the time I was able to spend getting to know him. May he rest in peace. The world will be a lessor place without him.

Candice Thiel - October 01, 2016 at 03:21 PM

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Christine Moschogianis - October 01, 2016 at 01:42 PM

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1962, Lamoille, Nv. We were so awesome. ...not!

Christine Moschogianis - October 01, 2016 at 01:43 PM

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Christine Moschogianis - October 01, 2016 at 01:40 PM

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Christine Moschogianis - October 01, 2016 at 10:24 AM

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1956, Pacific Palisades, Ca.

Christine Moschogianis - October 01, 2016 at 01:38 PM

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Christine Moschogianis - September 30, 2016 at 09:24 PM



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Hillside Chapel - September 30, 2016 at 06:54 PM



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Hillside Chapel - September 30, 2016 at 05:29 PM



“ *I am glad Andy is out of pain. I have known Andy for 36 years, a great friend, mentor, work partner of 21 years. He taught me so much about dentistry and life in general. He was so happy to hear I was retiring in December, a big smile on his face. He left us way to soon and that is so sad. I will miss you Andy, God's speed.*

Denise Zirpel - September 30, 2016 at 01:10 PM