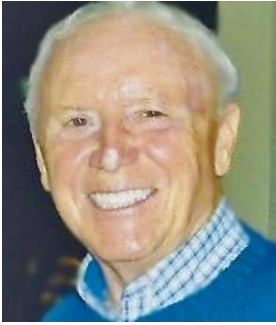


Patrick D. Crowe, DDS, Colonel Army Retired



Dr. Patrick D. Crowe, a recognized dental practitioner, consultant and administrator, died in Honolulu, Hawai'i on March 18, 2019 at the age of 93.

He was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on September 2, 1925. Dr. Crowe graduated from Marquette University College of Dentistry in Milwaukee in 1952. He furthered his training through post-graduate courses in diverse fields and institutions, which included the Army's Medical Field Service School at Fort Sam in Houston, Texas; Fixed Prosthodontics at the University of Illinois; Advanced Dentistry at the Walter Reed Army Institute of Dental Research in Washington, D.C; and Full Mouth Reconstruction at the University of Oregon.

Dr. Crowe advanced in his profession as a military dentist, where he served in assignments involving all phases of dental operations. From 1965 through 1978 he served as the Consultant to the Surgeon General in Fixed Prosthodontics and as Consultant to U.S. Army Pacific Command. At Walter Reed General Hospital in Washington, D.C., he was Co-Director of the Dental Residency Training Program, Chief of Fixed Prosthodontic & Restorative Dentistry Services, Co-Director of a Postgraduate Course at the USA Institute of Dental Research, and a mentor of the Prosthodontic Residency Training Program. After his transfer to Tripler Army Medical Center in 1972, he again served as a Chief for the Department of Dentistry and the Fixed Prosthodontic Service. In 1978, he retired as Commander U.S. Army Dental Activity, Tripler Army Medical Center. He then served as the Director of the Dental Center at St. Francis Hospital Medical Center for a decade. He continued to work for two more decades at the Hawaii Dental Service as a Dental Consultant and Director of Dental Practices.

As a teacher, Dr. Crowe taught dental assistants and pharmacy and dental students. He trained dental interns and residents at William Beaumont General Hospital, Walter Reed General Hospital, the Army Institute of Dental Research, Georgetown University Graduate School, Tripler Army Medical Center, and St. Francis Hospital. He appeared as a clinician and essayist at dental meetings, dental associations, and other organizations. As a researcher, he directed and conducted projects on topics that included cavity sterilization, elastic impression materials, high-speed rotary instrumentation, and Bur design and specifications.

Dr. Crowe was a diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics; a fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists and the American College of Dentists; and a member of the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics, the American Association of Dental Schools, and the Army Board of General Dentistry. Dr. Crowe received military awards that include the Legion of Merit in 1972; "A" Prefix in Fixed Prosthodontics in 1974; the Legion of Merit, Oak-Leaf Cluster in 1978; and the Order of Military Medical Merit in 1990. In 2008, the Hawaii Dental Association honored Dr. Crowe with the HDA Lifetime Achievement Award. In 2019, the American College of Dentists Foundation recognized him with a Lifetime Achievement Award for his fifty years of Fellowship in the college. Throughout his professional life, Dr. Crowe distinguished himself as a student, a clinician, a researcher, a teacher, an administrator, a consultant, and a spokesperson and champion for dentists and dentistry.

Dr. Crowe is survived by his wife of forty-seven years, Susanne (Susie) Crowe. His children from a previous marriage include daughters Kathleen, Annette and Yana, sons Thomas and Michael, and a predeceased son, Daniel. The family extends appreciation to the caregivers and support systems at Hi'olani Care Center at Kahala Nui. Private burial at The National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl.