

Dr. Ronald H. Jarvis

Nov. 16, 1937 – May 26, 2023



Ronald H. Jarvis, D.D.S., M.S.D., who had a private dental practice specializing in prosthodontics and restorative dentistry in Amherst, died May 26, 2023 in Millard Fillmore Suburban Hospital after a brief illness.

Born in Buffalo, NY on November 16, 1937 to Jean and Henry Jarvis, he was a 1955 graduate of Lackawanna High School. He received his B.A. and his D.D.S. from the University at Buffalo in 1959 and 1963 respectively. After serving as a Lieutenant in the Dental Corps of the U.S. Navy at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, Ron went on to receive his M.S.D. from the University of Indiana at Bloomington in 1965.

A life-long learner, Ron was a member of a vast number of dental societies, clubs and associations. He was past President of the Eighth District Dental Society, the Erie County Dental Society and the American Prosthodontic Society. He was also a past member of the teaching faculty at the University at Buffalo School of Dentistry and the Eastman Dental Center in Rochester, NY.

An avid golfer, Ron was a 46 year member at the Park Country Club. He loved trains and visiting Steamtown National Historic Site in Scranton, PA. Survivors include his wife, Judith A. Jarvis (nee Abbott); his daughters, Jennifer J. Hamberger (Douglas) and Pamela J. Ortolani (Terrence); four grandsons, Maxwell D. Hamberger, Christopher H. Hamberger, Parker M. Ortolani and Carson A. Ortolani; a sister, Carol A. Ahrens (the late Jean-Theodore); and a brother, Kenneth I. Jarvis (Patricia). Ronald donated his body to the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences through their Anatomical Gift Program.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 10am Friday, July 14, in St. Mary's Catholic Church 6919 Transit Road, East Amherst. Flowers are gratefully declined. In Memory of Dr. Ronald Jarvis, gifts may be made to the EIOH Prosthodontics Fund and mailed to: University of Rochester Office of Gift and Donor Records 300 East River Road Box 270032 Rochester, NY 14627