



## Dr. Martin "Marty" Harwin

January 7, 1936 - February 15, 2022

Dr. S. Martin "Marty" Harwin, 86, of Boca Raton, husband of the late Dena (Horowitz) Harwin, passed away on 2/15/22 after a remarkable and courageous battle with multiple cancers. A graduate of Washington & Jefferson College in Pennsylvania and NYU Medical School, Marty worked hard to support himself throughout his academic career. He subsequently trained at Johns Hopkins University, and served as a beloved pediatrician for over 40 years. He practiced in New Britain, CT, at Grove Hill Medical Center, which he helped develop into a large, thriving multi-specialty medical practice until his retirement in 2006. He was an active member of the community where he practiced, and received such obvious personal reward each time he greeted a patient at the grocery store, his children's schools, or in the neighborhood where he resided in Kensington.

Dr. Harwin was an incredibly hard-working physician, available to his patients 6 days a week with very rare days away from the office. He made himself always available for emergencies and consultations, and has been lovingly remembered by scores of families. In his spare time, he was passionate about his family, his network of wonderful friends, his many and varied hobbies, such as long distance cycling, photography, hiking, art museums, and community theater. He was a board member, a donor, and a supporter of many organizations in central Connecticut.

Marty was intellectually curious throughout his life, and loved learning. He loved current events and the news, and his Sunday New York Times. He was fascinated by his own personal cancer struggles, and never gave up his critical role as an active participant in his own treatment course. He was also truly fascinated by individual human stories, and loved talking with people from every walk of life. He knew the personal stories of every member of his healthcare team, who provided him exceptional care throughout his long struggles with multiple malignancies.

Marty never lost his wit, his warmth, his unending capacity to support those he loved. He is survived by his loving children, Wendy Harwin, of Southington; Dr. Jonathan Harwin and his partner Elizabeth Ryan of Branford; as well as by his grandsons Nathaniel and Samuel, who always made him so proud. Marty is also survived by his beloved sister, Dr. Sherril Schuster and her husband Edwin of New Jersey; and by many nieces and nephews, step-grandchildren and extended family. He also leaves behind his loving

partner of recent years, Beverly Albert, her children Lee, Vicki, Melinda and Jeff, and her cherished grandchildren Sherry, Marisa, Rick and Brad. Marty and Bev were so fortunate to share golden years of amazing travel, dancing, adventure, and beautiful friendships. Marty will be remembered and missed by so many.

Private graveside services were held at the South Kensington Burying Ground. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to support Dr. Bruce Johnson's research in Thoracic Oncology at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284. Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain assisted with arrangements. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at [www.carlsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery

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## **South Burying Ground**

163 Southington Rd.

Kensington, CT,

# Comments

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“ William N Monnier II lit a candle in memory of Dr. Martin "Marty" Harwin



**william n monnier II** - May 24 at 10:14 AM



“ Dr. Harwin was my pediatrician many years ago.. He saved my life after a serious medical emergency. My prayer's are with you Dr. Harwin and family & friends.

**william n monnier II** - May 24 at 10:19 AM

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“ To Marty's family and dear Beverly, news of Marty's passing just reached us and Richard and I are so incredibly sad. How blessed we were to have met and befriended such an extraordinarily Kind, warm and wise man. We are better for having known him. What an example he has left. Until we meet again, dear friend. Love, Jean and Richard Zielinski



**Jean Zielinski** - March 15 at 06:02 PM

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“ Rest In Peace my dear Marty.

**Beverly** - March 01 at 02:07 AM

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“ The best. Helped me through 3 children always made you feel like you were the best parent. Rest In Peace. Kelly McCormack

**Kelly McCormack** - February 27 at 06:53 AM

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“ So sad to lose such a brilliant, kind and loving friend of 46 years. Marty took care of my son, Mark and was always there for me when I needed medical advice, We became good friends with Marty, Dena, Wendy ( our babysitter) and Jonathan. Soon I was encouraged to ride his tandem a couple of days a week;, he said we had to train for the Century Ride. I didn't know what I was in for but soon found out! Marty was a unique individual who knew so much and shared so much, I will miss his weekly jokes he would email.  
I am truly heartbroken as everyone is. Our condolences to the entire family.

Rest In Peace,  
Lenore & Robb Boccia  
Lakewood Ranch, Florida

**Lenore Boccia** - February 26 at 12:24 PM

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“ Rest In Peace my dear Marty.

**Beverly Albert** - February 25 at 10:28 PM

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“ Dr. Harwin was my childhood pediatrician -- I have fond memories of him. He was caring and intelligent. Melissa Paterno Bray

**Melissa Paterno Bray** - February 25 at 01:50 PM

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“ What a full abundant life - we should all emulate his internal zest for living it to the fullest and service to others. I knew Dr. Harwin from my youth yet not as a patient but as a curious neighbor on secluded Edgewood Road. His home was a masterpiece for its time and I recall it was like a museum seemingly filled with varying works of art and an open central floor-to-ceiling concept with 20 foot high windows. It had balconies and invoked awe - a fitting oasis for someone who worked hard and played hard. I would peak through the back woods while attending to my pet ducks and chickens and marveled when I would see him in his full bodied, brightly colored cycling attire with helmet...I was too young to know of the Tour de France so didn't understand his outfit was typical - I just thought it was pretty darn flashy cool for the 1970s and must've helped him go faster. He was always welcoming, smiled and coaxed me out of the bushes to ask about my art. I do recall he had a huge dog though (I think the name was "Chipper" - possibly a Great Dane mix) so that restricted my curious snooping. This was a side of Dr. Harwin some may not have known. He was as kind and gentle outside the office as he was to a mischievous neighborhood boy. Some people just 'live' life on a treadmill while some people "LIVE LIFE" seemingly climbing mountains and asking 'why' always testing their boundaries both physically and intellectually!!!

Dr. Harwin LIVED LIFE...we should all wake up each day wanting to help others and learn and share like he did.

**Bob Dornfried** - February 25 at 12:33 AM



“ A kind neighbor and a friend. We enjoyed telling stories of our respective childhood years while walking around Boca. A gem of his was when he worked as a teenager making deliveries for a hardware store and told his mother when grows up he wants to have his own hardware store. And his Mom said when you grow up you want to be a doctor. (Her encouragement made many patients very pleased patients. )  
A totally good soul may he rest in piece.

**Barbara Sussman** - March 02 at 06:24 PM



“ I was saddened to hear of Dr Harwins passing, and more so of his long battle. Dr Harwin was my , and my brothers pediatrician for our entire childhoods, and I was blessed to have him as pediatrician to my daughter as well. I was literally speaking of him, and the crazy ties he used to wear, just days before this sad news. As a doctor, he went above and beyond, he was always kind, always caring, and always available to his patients. He will be missed.

**Sheila Esberg** - February 23 at 05:41 PM



“ sorry to hear of the passing of Dr Harwin. Both my children were his patients until they turned 18.They adored him and trusted no other Dr. His wise expertise avoided my daughter from having an unnecessary operation when she was an infant. I'm sure he will be greatly missed. Sincerely ,The Scalora Family

Scalora family - February 22 at 06:26 PM

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“ What wonderful memories of the Harwin family I have spending time with Wendy during our time at Moreland. Dr. Harwin was the kindest of persons. Trusted enough by my mom to pierce my ears which pretty much sums up how competent a physician he was to myself and so many others. So sorry Wendy for your loss. Johnathan and you are in my thoughts. Sending thoughts and sympathy.  
With love,  
Lynda Lee Lathan

Lynda Lee Lathan - February 22 at 03:01 PM

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“ Dr Harwin cared for all 3 of my children, and me. Yes, he took care of me when so many times I was besides myself with worry. He always assured me with great compassion that all would be okay. He saw my children so many times after hours, and was always there for me. God bless you, Dr. Harwin... There will never be another man and physician like you. You were one of a kind, and I'm blessed to have had you when my children were small, and even grown. <3 <3 <3 RIP

Diane Kolosky - February 22 at 01:20 PM

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“ Dr Harwin was my son's pediatrician in 1968-1969. For a new nervous mother he had great advice with a very warm personality

Roberta Bixby - February 22 at 09:39 AM

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“ wonderful dr for all my 5 kids would never trust anyone but Dr Harwin my condolences to the family he will be surely missed he has touched so many lives

karen piorkowski - February 22 at 09:13 AM

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“ Sending our deepest sympathy to Dr. Harwin's family. Dr. Harwin was our children's pediatrician. He was so intelligent and thoughtful in the delivery of care of our children. His wife, too, could not have been kinder to me—a first time scared mom. We feel blessed to have had Dr. Harwin in our lives.  
Chris and Mary Lou Woods

Mary Lou and Chris - February 22 at 08:41 AM

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“ I have many great memories over many years with Dr. Harwin and his family. He will be missed by many, not only as a dedicated pediatrician, but also as a good friend and generous contributor to his community. Greg Manning

Greg Manning - February 21 at 06:09 PM

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“ Our deepest condolences to the Harwin family. Dr. Harwin was my children's and grandchildren pediatrician. I met him on April 11, 1969 when I had my first born. Admired him. May he RIP.

Awilda Acevedo - February 21 at 05:16 PM

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“ Dr. Harwin was an amazing pediatrician!! I remember many a conversation and his wit! He will be sorely missed. May you rest in peace doc!

Heidi Coughlin - February 21 at 07:26 AM

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“ I am so saddened to see this. Dr. Harwin was my Dr, and then when I had my children, was their Dr as well. So sorry for your loss. May God wrap his loving arms around you during this most difficult time.

Christine C - February 21 at 05:32 AM

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“ To the family of Dr Harwin,  
Please accept my condolences. He was my pediatrician my entire young life and then took care of my children until his retirement. He was a wonderful man and I will remember him fondly.  
Kelly C

kelly - February 20 at 07:40 PM

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“ When Marty stood in the Sun he cast a long shadow and when he walked away his shadow remained forever with us

Dan Niejadlik MD - February 20 at 03:44 PM

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Dan Niejadlik MD - February 20 at 03:35 PM



“ A wonderful, kind and giving man who will live on in the memories of those who loved him!  
Beverly Albert - March 13 at 10:53 PM

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“ Marty was a close friend since our days at Fair Lawn High School. Joyce and I loved him like family and will forever miss him.

Alf and Joyce Derrow

Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Derrow - February 20 at 12:08 PM



“ Sincerest condolences to the entire family. He had remarkable strength through so much. We were so happy to see him smiling recently at our simcha. We are so sorry for your loss.  
Love, Hedy and family

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“ Dr Harwin was my wife’s pediatrician and she adored him, so much so, he was our children’s pediatrician until we moved further down towards the coastline where his son became our children’s doctor. He was kind, gentle, never made you feel silly for any questions even though after four kids we realized we asked lot of questions. He was exactly the doctor we all miss today. There simply aren’t enough words to describe his kindness. Our family’s thoughts and prayers go out to his entire family. He will be missed my so many.

**Bob Sessions** - February 20 at 11:55 AM

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“ Wendy, Jon, Beverly, My sincere condolences to the extended family as well as to you. It's hard to express my sadness. Marty was such a pillar. It's hard to know where to begin. Maybe the reciprocal deal we had: I fixed his bikes, he fixed my kids. The late night house call to replace a bent tandem axle. The least I could do for someone who drove through a blizzard to take me to the ER when I was having a very bad asthma attack. The many bicycle rides with the Central CT Cycling club. The annoyed look from my daughters as Dr. Marty and I spent a good chunk of their exam time catching up. So many memories that will make me miss this extraordinary person. RIP Marty, I'll do the next ride up Meriden Mt. for you.

**Mark Hoffman** - February 20 at 08:40 AM



“ To Dr. Harwin’s Family,

Dr. Harwin was my pediatrician for my four boys. Starting from 1970 - 1996. After my oldest got married , Dr. Harwin was also my Grandchildren’s pediatrician.

He was a great MD, caring, kind, concerned about the welfare of his patients and their families.

Dr. Harwin helped us a lot with our four boys, a generous man. From formula, meds, coupons for medication for the boys. And his advise from newborns to 18 yr old.

My boys always respected and loved Dr. Harwin.

My families sincere condolences to his children, grandchildren and Beverly & her family.

May he Rest In Peace.

Sincerely,

Joanne C Collin & Family

**Joanne C Collin** - February 24 at 07:32 PM

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“ I am so sorry to hear of Dr. Harwin's passing. He was my son's pediatrician from 1976-1997. My son Christopher and I loved him. He was so kind & patient with my son. My son was in Dr. Harwin's office every other week it seemed with different sickness either a sore throat with fever or earache. Our condolences and prayers for his family RIP Dr. Harwin Sincerely Margaret Dyson& son Christopher Dyson

**Margaret Dyson** - February 20 at 08:28 AM



“ My sincerest condolences to the Harwin family. Marty was an amazingly dedicated pediatrician who held his patients with the utmost respect. Always working and ready to alleviate patient's concerns. Miss you. Rest In Peace.

**Lillian** - February 21 at 02:28 PM



“ Dr. Harwin is the best! He took care of me all throughout my childhood and even came to our house one day when I had a severe asthma attack. A life well lived. Blessings and peace to his family.

**Phil Carlson** - February 25 at 07:27 AM