



Robert Nelson Signor Jr., MD

April 6, 1948 - October 23, 2024

If you're reading this, I've gone on the long hayride. Relentless colon cancer. I've had a good life but one's never ready to say goodbye to family and friends. I was the oldest of 9 children born in Albany, N.Y. I had a great childhood with schooling in Albany. I went to medical school in Brussels, Belgium, taking all my courses in French. Internal Medicine training in Mount Sinai Hospital in Hartford, Ct then became an E.R. physician at St. Peters Hospital in Albany, N.Y. In the early 80's while residing in Albany, I began pursuing my passion for cardiology. I trained for 2 years at the Albany Medical Center. I was a Cardiologist from 1985-2024, practicing 33 years in St. Augustine (Prior to moving to St. Augustine, I practiced cardiology in Inverness, FL for 5 years) I married in 1974, hitting the lottery, to my wife Bernadette. We had 3 boys, Justin, Chris and Daniel. All of whom we love and are very proud. As a husband and father, we had some great family vacations, Europe, San Francisco, Saratoga and elsewhere. This generated great memories. As a doctor in St. Augustine Cardiology Associates, I worked alongside Ferris George. We worked hard, respected each other and were both former altar boys. Great office people as well. I was old school and always wore a tie to work-Van Gogh, Monet, Norman Rockwell. My ties were a good springboard for lighthearted office and hospital banter. I have good memories of the hospital and all my peers with whom we discussed varied topics- especially the Jacksonville Jaguars. I always said that when I die I want 6 Jaguars to be my pallbearers and let me down one last time! I went to

many Jaguar games, enjoyed golf, traveling, reading, biking and to a certain degree working. Jag games with my brothers were special. How do you encapsulate a life - not easy. I love my wife and family, and while here, I loved life. I loved golf but never really figured it out. The only thing I learned was use an old ball on a waterhole and always wash your ball before you hit it and not after.

I also leave behind my sisters, Linda Michalak, Donna Kirby and Dorothy LaClair; brothers, Michael Signor, John Signor and Tom Signor. I was preceded in death by my parents, Robert and Dorothy Signor; brother, Richard Signor and sister, Sharon Purcell Signor.

A memorial mass will be held at 9am on Friday, November 15, 2024 at St. Anastasia Catholic Church. A gathering will be held from 5-7 pm on Thursday, November 14, 2024 at St. Johns Family Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers the family request donations to UF St John's Hospital, Community Hospice.

Previous Events

A Gathering of Family and Friends

NOV **14.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

ST JOHNS FAMILY FUNERAL HOME
385 State Rd 207
St. Augustine, FL 32084

Memorial Mass

NOV **15.** 9:00 AM (ET)

St Anastasia Catholic Church
5205 A1A S
St. Augustine, FL 32080-8006
(904) 471-5364

Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert Nelson Signor Jr., MD*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - November 05, 2024 at 09:50 PM

GP

“ *Bob I can't believe your done. Dr Signor took care of my Mom and my Dad for decades. They both adored him. And he was my cardiologist for nearly a decade. I loved bringing him ties and talking rock concerts and Paul McCartney.*

We share the same favorite song in A Whiter Shade of Pale. He was the most gentle kind and humble soul and the best Dr I have ever known.

He was a man comfortable in his own skin as evidenced by he beautiful obituary he wrote for himself.

He was born to be a cardiologist because he was all heart.

greg perrin - February 04, 2025 at 07:22 PM

SA

“ *Dr. Signor was always so kind to us nurses. He walked very fast and with purpose but always managed to smile and say hi when we would pass in the hallway. We will miss him here at the Hospital.*

Sarah Adams - November 20, 2024 at 12:40 PM

CE

“ *His sense of humor, empathy, and compassion will be missed.*

Celina - November 11, 2024 at 01:50 PM



“ *53 files added to the album Life Tributes*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - November 05, 2024 at 03:59 PM

DS

“ *So sad to hear this news. He took care of me in the hospital this summer. My condolences to his family and friends and all that new and loved him.*

donna santuccio - November 04, 2024 at 01:23 PM

MB

“ *Fourteen years ago I came down to St Augustine with an aggressive prostate cancer and some very dour news about my heart. Dr. Signor made me comfortable with his competence and direct manner. Later we shared golf experiences and a few months ago we discussed his grip. I never could keep up with his walk. His memory will live on with me and I'm sure many others of a real doctor..*

Matt Brown - November 03, 2024 at 01:43 AM

SM

“ Oh my gosh, I loved Dr. Signor so much. Always looked forward to my appointments with him and made sure to actively soak in every second of his presence, his humor, and his wisdom in the course of those biannual visits.

I host a classical music show on Fridays at 11 on WFCF FM - Dr. Signor and I chatted about this from time to time. Tomorrow morning I'm broadcasting gorgeous Requiems and dedicating the show to his memory. Condolences to all who knew this great and wonderful human being.

Shannon McKay - October 31, 2024 at 09:10 PM

JT

What a lovely, beautiful thing to do. I love this

Jean Taliaferro - November 01, 2024 at 04:45 PM

BD

“ My sincere condolences to Dr Signor's family and friends. I worked with Dr. Signor for many years until I retired in 2017 . He also took care of my husband for a short time. I always had a smile on my face when he walked into the ICU. I especially remember talking to him about his piano lessons he took. He was an amazing man.

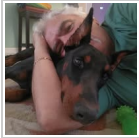
When God calls us home, we go as my own Dad use to say to me. His spirit has soared to Heaven and no more pain. I pray that helps in the grieving process for his family and close friends. Talk to him... He will hear you. 🙏🙏

Bonnie Dulin - October 31, 2024 at 10:39 AM

JO

“ Bob was my next door neighbor. Over the years, we had a lot of fun going to Jags, Shrimp and Iceman games. Of course I enjoyed the games but I think I enjoyed the conversation even more. Bob was so smart and he had a great sense of humor. I always learned something from him, whether it was sports related or any number of other subjects, he always had an interesting tidbit to offer. Bob was a very kind and compassionate man. I'm very proud to call him my good friend. He will be greatly missed -

John Osborne - October 30, 2024 at 12:58 PM



“ My family send our deepest condolence. Bob was a wonderful person, he always had an entertaing story regarding life. Remembering his fast paced walk, a challenge for most to keep up with.He will be sorely missed. God bless the family and remember Bob is in a better place now.

Rich DeNelle MSN, RNBC

Rich DeNelle - October 29, 2024 at 01:47 PM

MW

“ Our most favorite doctor that took care of my husband. Great cardiologist, sweet guy and a great sense of humor. We always remembered him as the most compassionate , dedicated and kind person we ever knew. He's our greatest savior along with Doctor George to my husband in numerous occasions. It breaks our heart but we gained such an amazing Angel. Rest in peace Doc and Fly high.

Mary Jean Watkins - October 29, 2024 at 12:45 PM

GE

My Deepest Sympathies for the family of Doctor Robert Signor I met him in 2009 for the first time I saw Dr R Signor during my breast cancer chemotherapy complication, Dr Signor was so sweet to me and assured me that my heart was fine Dr Signor had. Even my cardiologist since , I am heartbroken that he has gone into heaven we lost a great guy but Heaven gained a special Angel . My condolences to the family Dr Signor fly high Rest In Peace . Amen 🙏🙏❤️❤�🙏

Giovanna Esposito - October 30, 2024 at 06:53 PM

DM

“ So sorry for the loss



Debra Mitchell - October 29, 2024 at 09:39 AM

MK

“ Dr. Signor was a great man. He was so comforting and I just loved his sense of humor. He will be missed.

Mary King - October 29, 2024 at 09:34 AM

TL

“ I am saddened to hear of Dr. Signor's passing. He was my cardiologist for over 25 years. His calm demeanor was a blessing to my care. My thoughts & prayers to his family & office staff. R.I.P. Doc 💔

Teri Lydigsen - October 29, 2024 at 07:55 AM

AL

“ I had the pleasure of growing up next door to the Signors. They treated me like family and I loved them like family. Mr. Signor would drive us school a couple times a week and he was always wearing the tie he talked about in his obituary. He was always so welcoming, kind and funny. Thanks for the hospitality Mr. Signor, you will be missed.

Alex - October 28, 2024 at 09:25 PM

CL

I know him as a nurse working at Flagler for 20 years. He was always kind to us nurses and caring with his patients and at times very witty. I loved seeing him and he will be missed. So very sorry for the loss of this great human. My deepest sympathy to the family.

Christel Lautenschlaeger - October 29, 2024 at 12:44 PM

SK

“ Always the picture of patience and good humor. A great doctor to work with in ICU. Easy to talk to and always kind and gentle. He always spoke of his family in the most loving way. You will be missed Dr. Signor. Rest in peace.

Sharon Kees - October 28, 2024 at 09:08 PM

BR

“ Dr. Signor was such a great man. I worked with him at Flagler from 2007-2019 and he was just the kindest person. Always making time to converse with you and had great stories about his family and his pet duck. He'll be greatly missed.

Brittany - October 28, 2024 at 09:05 PM

DT

“ *Such a sweet soul and so kind to us nurses. He used his knowledge to teach us. I have been at Flagler for 21 years, I will miss him and the halls of Flagler will never be the same.*

Debra Thompson - October 28, 2024 at 07:51 PM

KT

“ *I always appreciated his easy going attitude and stories of his beloved duck. He was a good man.*



Kelli Tyson - October 28, 2024 at 07:36 PM

FG

What an honour to have shared a practice with Dr. Signor for 32 years. He was always an inspiration on how to be a better human being! God bless Dr. Signor

Ferris George - October 28, 2024 at 09:14 PM

TC

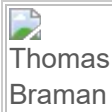
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Dr. Signor. I passed him many times in the halls of Flagler and he was always gracious. I had the pleasure of having him take care of my mother a few times in place of Dr. George. He was kind to my mother and I. God Bless you Dr. Signor. You did great!

Teresa Conlin - October 28, 2024 at 10:13 PM

JM

I am very saddened to hear of Dr. Signor's passing. I had the honor of working for his practice as Dr. George's nurse for 4 years. Dr. Signor was the epitome of the kind, gentle and caring physician everyone hopes to encounter. He was wickedly witty and one of the nicest humans I've ever met. Back in the day, he and his wife had a pet duck, Noodles, which was lucky enough to be an inside duck. One thing Dr. Signor used to say to me on those occasions I'd work a little late to catch up was, "Joanne, nobody ever, in the history of time, said on their deathbed.....I wish I'd spent more time at the office " Dr. Signor was like that.....doling out his pearls of wisdom when they were needed. You will be missed, Dr. S. You were a good man, doctor and human being. GOD BLESS YOU IN HEAVEN.

Joanne Pius Machula - October 30, 2024 at 12:01 AM



Thomas
Braman

Our sincere condolences to Dr. Signor's family and many friends. I was directed to him by a cardiologist in Washington DC some 25 years ago when we retired in Palm Coast. He and Dr. George have been responsible for my survival over past 25 years. My wife and I lived in Brussels; so we always shared many stories about life in Belgium. Many, many other stories. My favorite, of course, is how his extravagant family luncheon on the Eiffel Tower kept a restaurant in the black for at least a year. We are sure he is enjoying the hayride.

Tom and Lil Braman

Thomas Braman - October 31, 2024 at 06:26 PM