



## Chester C. Winter

June 2, 1922 - May 3, 2022

Chester C. Winter, M.D. died May 3, 2022 of natural causes. He was born June 2, 1922 in Cazenovia, New York to parents Rev. Chester C. Winter. Sr. and Cora Martin Winter, minister and school teacher respectively, whom he loved and admired deeply. He graduated from Lamont, Iowa Consolidated High School and received his B.A. (1942) and M.D. (1946) degrees from the University of Iowa. He served a medical internship and residency in Indianapolis Methodist and St. Luke's Methodist (Cedar Rapids, IA) Hospitals. After 5 1/2 years in the Army Medical Corp (Captain), he performed general medical practice in Redlands, California. He took his general surgery and urology residency at the University of California, Los Angeles Hospitals (1952-57) and served on their staff for three years. In 1960 he was appointed Professor and Director of Urology at The Ohio State University Hospitals where he was also designated Louis Levy Professor of Urology. He was the co-inventor of Radioisotope Renography and the inventor of Radioisotope Cystography. He developed an important urological procedure called the "Winter Shunt." He belonged to numerous national and international medical societies, including the American Association of Genitourinary Surgeons and North Central Section of the American Urological Association, to which he contributed many articles, chapters, and textbooks. He received numerous honors for his teaching, research and service. He retired from medical research, teaching and practice in 1988. His retirement activities included golf, gardening, moderating a Civil War Round Table at the Worthington Senior

Center and lecturing on a variety of subjects. He taught American and Ohio history and published 9 books on these subjects. He is survived by wife Mary Gnezda Winter, three children: Paul Winter (Jill), Ann Winter Sokoloff (Ken) and Jane Winter (Suzanne Rounds); three grandchildren: Joshua and David Sokoloff and Jason Rounds; three step-children: Nicole Gnezda (John Snouffer), Therese Gnezda (Gardner Peckham) and Eric Gnezda (Victoria). He was preceded in death by his wife Cary Jones Winter and his two sisters: Margaret Brown and Mary Lou Nowak. A memorial service will be held Sat. June 18, 2022, 10:00 am at RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, 515 High St, Worthington, OH. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Griswold Senior Center, 777 High St. Worthington, OH 43085. Condolences may be made to the family at [www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com](http://www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## memorial service

JUN 18. 10:00 AM (ET)

Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Chester C. Winter*

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January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *My wife, Grace Ramey, was Dr, Winter's nurse for five years. She helped him day and night during that time. She was able to know Dr. Winter extremely well during that time and always came home with memories he shared with her about his career. She teamed with Mrs. Winter to help Dr. Winter as much as they both were able. I remember Dr. Winter mentioning to me that he had spent time earlier in his career in California, and knew my uncle, the late Dr. Leonard Ramey who was a general surgeon in that region. I had great respect for Dr. Winter who was an amazing local figure in medicine who served as the Head of Urology at The Ohio State University. He authored books and papers on urological procedures, and also had diverse interests including history, of which he also wrote a number of books. May God bless Dr. Winter and may he rest in peace. He will be deeply missed. Jesse and Grace Ramey*

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**Jesse Ramey** - June 11, 2022 at 12:11 PM

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“ Dr. Winter attended my medical school urology rotation in ~1978. He took the time to teach us about common and uncommon urological diseases, their presentations and urgency, and their treatments.

*Especially memorable was a session during which he put x-ray films on the viewing box, and asked us to describe what was wrong in each case.*

*He did not tout any of his accomplishments to our group of students. I nevertheless perceived that he was an astute, concerned clinician; and that we were fortunate to have him for a teacher.*

*I went into ophthalmology after medical school. I remain grateful for his teaching and example 40+ years later.*

*May God comfort all of you during this painful time.*

*Avrom D. Epstein, M.D.*

*OSU COM Class of 1980*

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**Avrom D. Epstein** - May 09, 2022 at 06:17 PM



“ Chet would have become a centenarian next month. Besides his illustrious career as a physician, a teacher, a medical innovator, and an author, he set an example that nearly all of us would like to follow: for most of his life he kept his mind young and open to learning. Remembering his interest in the American Civil War, I cherish the memory of the day he listened to my lecture about the 46th Ohio Volunteer Infantry. A caring family member who accompanied him (to help look after Chet) asked, "Are you getting tired?" Dr. Winter replied, "No, I could sit at his feet and listen all day to his historical stories."

Not only did I appreciate the compliment, but it served as an example for me to want to keep on learning...as Chet had exemplified. Thanks and condolences to his wonderful family that cared for him in these past few years. You helped him be all that he could be.

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**John Haueisen** - May 08, 2022 at 11:44 AM