



Dr. Rose D. Sison

May 6, 1929 - July 5, 2022

Rose D. Sison, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.A.P.

93, of Indianapolis, passed away July 5, 2022. She was born May 6, 1929 in Roxas City, Philippines to the late Enrico Bayhon Dorado and Maria Cleofe Smith. Rose married Vicente G. Sison in 1952 and received her Doctorate in Medicine from the University of Santo Tomas, Manila, Philippines in 1956. With their young daughters Marissa and Sheila, they moved to the United States to begin their medical careers. Rose completed an internship at Research Hospital, Kansas City, MO. She did a pediatric residency at Kansas City General, a psychiatric residency at Osawatomie State Hospital, Osawatomie, Kansas, and pediatric and pediatric cardiology residences at Montreal Children's Hospital and L'Hopital Ste-Justine in Montreal, Canada. Rose joined her husband as staff physicians in 1964 at Manteno State Hospital, Manteno, Illinois, then was a founding staff pediatrician for Warren G. Murray's Children's Hospital, Centralia, Illinois from 1964 until 1967. She and her family then moved to Terre Haute, Indiana where she was in private practice specializing in pediatrics, asthma and allergic diseases from 1967 until retiring in 2000. Rose continued her professional journey to complete a Master of Public Health degree from the University of California, Berkley in 1975, majoring in maternal and child health. She was a Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatrics, a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics, and a Fellow of the American College of International Physicians. In addition to her private practice, Rose served as a pediatrician for the Well

Baby Clinic at the Vigo County Dept. of Health from 1967-1973, served on the Vigo County Board of Health, and was a clinical lecturer for the Indiana State University School of Nursing, where she also served on the Nursing Advisory Board. She was a member of multiple professional associations, including the American College of Allergists, the Pan American Allergy Society, the Vigo County Medical Association, the Indiana State Medical Association, the American Medical Association, and the Philippine Medical Association. Rose was proud of her Filipino heritage and culture, and she relished being at the center of the growing community of Filipino doctors in the Terre Haute area. But she was equally proud of becoming an American citizen in 1973. Singing, dancing, creative arts, gourmet cooking, writing poetry and songs, and gardening were among Rose's many talents. She was a longtime member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Terre Haute and joined Holy Spirit Catholic Church at Geist when she moved to Indianapolis in 2000; she enjoyed singing in the choir at both churches. Rose was listed in the 1968-69 "Who's Who of American Women" and in the 1979 edition of "The Best Doctors in America". But first and foremost, Rose was a loving wife and mother, doting grandmother and great-grandmother, and gracious supporter of her large and far-flung extended family in the Philippines and the United States. Visitation will be Friday, July 22, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel, 9900 Allisonville Road, Fishers. A Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 2:00 p.m. at Holy Spirit at Geist Catholic Church, 10350 Glaser Way. Burial will take place on Tuesday, July 26, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens, 9700 Allisonville Rd. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Vincent Sison Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund www.wvcf.org/funds/vgsisonlegacy/ or to The 24 Group www.the24group.org (foundation created in memory of grandson David Manlove). Rose is survived by her children, Marissa Sison Manlove (Kim), Sheila Sison Spangler (Gary), Steven Vincent Sison (Kathy), and Scott Victor Sison,; grandchildren, Philip Brian Dils (Alexia), Joshua D. Manlove (Angela), Lauren R. Sison, Amanda M. Buschuk (Brian), Alena C. Sison and Alex B. Dils

(Katie); great-grandchildren, Peyton, Kai, Penelope, Isabelle, Artemis and Nyla; and many nieces and nephews. Rose was preceded in death by her husband of 48 years, Vicente deGala Sison; son, Sidney David Sison; grandson, David J. Manlove; niece and caregiver, Nellson B. deGala; and siblings Corazon Berjamin, Enrico Dorado Jr., Perla Abella, Juan O. Dorado, Bella Tiro, and Fred S. Dorado.

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Memorial Gardens

9700 Allisonville Rd.
Indianapolis, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **22**. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel
9900 N. Allisonville Road
Fishers, IN 46038
(317) 841-7878
info@shirleybrothers.com
<https://www.shirleybrothers.com>

Mass of Christian Burial

JUL **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Holy Spirit at Geist Catholic Church
10350 Glaser Way
Fishers, IN 46037

Graveside Service

JUL **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Oaklawn Memorial Gardens
9700 Allisonville Rd.
Indianapolis, IN

Tribute Wall

LE

“ Dr. Rose became my pediatrician Nov. 20, 1967 I was one of her very first patients when her & Dr. Vincente moved to Terre Haute they both also became my godparents 3 months later when I had to have surgery on my head & my mother could remember clear up to the day she passed away exactly what Dr. Rose was wearing when she heard they had to take me into surgery & she came to the hospital wearing a pair of pink fuzzy high heel slippers & a robe, with her being so short she had to stand on 2 milk crates to see over the operating table as Dr. Heatherington was doing the surgery. I love you Dr. Rose & you are definitely missed by me & my family for sure thank you for being there for all of us.



Lesa - July 28, 2023 at 07:43 AM

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“ Dr. Rose was our pediatrician for both of our daughters (Hailey and Emme Aukerman). She basically taught me how to take care of an infant. We loved her and Dr. Vincent. If Dr. Rose wasn't available Dr. Vincent was. She was always beautiful, graceful and always showed great love for her "babies" (patients). Rest gracefully and in peace Dr. Rose 🌹 you will be missed.

Nancy Alsman-Aukerman - July 29, 2022 at 08:53 PM

MR

“ *Manoling and Melinda De La Rosa purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dr. Rose D. Sison.*



Manoling and Melinda De La Rosa - July 21, 2022 at 01:36 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Dr. Rose D. Sison.*



July 19, 2022 at 08:53 PM

CF

“ *We are sad to hear about Ate Rose passing. She will be missed. She was beautiful lady and a great dancer. She is in the better place dancing with her beloved husband ,Kuya Vince. Our deepest sympathy and Prayers to the Sison family. May she Rest in Peace. Love from Bill and Cora Frogozo and family*

Cora Frogozo - July 19, 2022 at 12:31 PM

JW

“ My son was born in November 1986 and she became his pediatrician. She made me feel confident about my parenting as I was a young mom. She was always filled with joy and I trusted her judgement 100 %. I never knew she had been a member of the Vigo County Board of Health or had a Master's in Public Health. This is ironic because I have been with the Vigo County Health Department for a quarter of a century and still love public health. I've presented to the Indiana Philippine Medical Association at their annual conference. I felt honored because my obstetrician, Dr. Ramon Contreras, was from the Philippines. My son's pediatrician (Dr. Rose) was from the Philippines. My boss and our health commissioner at the time, Dr. Enrico Garcia was from the Philippines. Currently Dr. Custodio "Ted" Lim is on our board of health. I have been blessed by my connection to the Filipino community. Rest In Peace, Dr. Rose ! Thank you, Joni Wise

Joni Wise - July 14, 2022 at 08:31 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Dr. Rose D. Sison.



July 13, 2022 at 07:00 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Rose D. Sison.



July 13, 2022 at 01:13 AM

LF

“ LOVE, Vicky & Benny Ko and Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Dr. Rose D. Sison.



LOVE, Vicky & Benny Ko and Family - July 12, 2022 at 07:44 PM

ZC

“ It was sad to learn about the passing of my dear friend Rose. It was good to have worked with her as a pediatrician She was funny, knowledgeable and the most stylish physician at Regional Hospital. Prayers were said for the repose of her soul. Rose you will be missed.

zenaida contreras - July 12, 2022 at 01:42 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Dr. Rose D. Sison.



July 12, 2022 at 07:14 AM

DD

“ Marissa, so sorry to hear about your mother. I pray that your many fond memories bring you and your family great comfort. Best wishes, Dan Davis, Community Foundation of Jackson County.

Dan Davis - July 11, 2022 at 03:07 PM

MU

“ Dear Rose, One of the most special women that I had the opportunity to meet and know through my work in the Department of Pediatrics at Riley. First met her at a conference I coordinated for medical education for the practicing physician. Also had talked with her on the phone many times when she was referring a patient. She was always smiling, bouncy and dressed to the nines. At the meetings there were a few of us back then that tried to outdo each other on our outfits for the 2 day meeting. We had great fun in comparing. I was invited to her home on a couple of occasions and enjoyed her perfection in hosting a visitor. We met for lunch and dinner a couple of times. We talked a few times after she moved to Indianapolis area and lost contact. However, there is not a day that I don't remember her. One of the times when I visited her she provided me with a gift--a beautiful oriental platter like, hand painted in glorious color and I have had that hanging on my wall for more than 25 years. I so wanted to see her again and enjoy that bouncy personality that she had but will always remember her as one of the sweetest nicest ladies I ever had the pleasure to know. She is with her beloved Vicente.

Mary Ann Underwood - July 10, 2022 at 03:00 PM