



Kenneth J. Allen, MD

December 21, 1933 - November 18, 2018

Kenneth J. Allen, M.D. of Wheeling, died November, 18, 2018, he was 84. Dr. Allen grew up in Moundsville, WV; and was the son of Clarence Allen and Bertha Broemsen Allen.

He was a 1951 graduate of Moundsville High School and studied pre-medicine at Marshall University before attending West Virginia University School of Medicine, where he received his B.S. Degree in 1956. He was graduated from Temple University School of Medicine in 1958 with his M.D. Degree.

Post-graduate training included Hannemann Medical College, Philadelphia, PA, Cook County Graduate School of Medicine, Chicago, IL, Western Pennsylvania Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA, Magee Women's Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA, University of Colorado School of Medicine, Denver, CO, Tufts School of Medicine, Boston, MA, and the Harvard University School of Medicine, Boston, MA.

Dr. Allen served in private practice in Marshall County, since 1960, first practicing with William Paul Bradford, M.D. Dr. Allen moved his private practice to Glen Dale, WV in 1969.

His affiliations included the West Virginia Medical Association and the American Medical Association. He was a member of the Southern Medical Association, the American Academy of Family Physicians, where he was awarded Fellow status in 1972 as a Charter Fellow. He was a Board Certified member of the American Board of Family Practice and a member of the West

Virginia Obstetrical Society.

Dr. Allen was affiliated with Reynolds Memorial Hospital since 1960. He was a member of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and Chief of Services, 1984 being his latest term. He was a past president of the medical staff and chaired most hospital related committees over the years.

He served as the Physician Director of the Marshall County Health Department from 1996 until 2016.

Dr. Allen also was a Medical Director at the Health Plan of the Upper Ohio Valley until his retirement from that position.

Recently, he served as a Preceptor at the Family Medical Department, Wheeling Hospital.

Dr. Allen was a member of many boards and local organizations.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Adelaide Allen.

Surviving are his wife, Dorcas C. Allen and three children from his first marriage, Jeffrey Allen (Laura) of Charleston, WV, Colleen Allen of Hawaii, and Deborah Davison (Ted) of Richfield, OH. Also surviving are his sister, Mrs. Barbara Cuichta of Glen Dale, WV and a brother Robert Allen (Ruth) of Bridgeport, WV.

There will be no visitation. A private service will be held at the convenience of the family.

Memorial contributions may be made on behalf of Dr. Allen to the charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall

BG

“ *Billie Gay lit a candle in memory of Kenneth J. Allen, MD*



Billie Gay - September 27, 2025 at 03:55 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of the passing of the BEST doctor ever. He was my doctor for years going to see him was like visiting a friend. I hated when they told me he was retiring. Heaven definitely gained an angel. Dear family I am so sorry for your loss. He was a wonderful person you are in my thoughts and prayers. Dorothy Kellar*

Dorothy Kellar - December 12, 2018 at 05:20 AM

DD

“ *I would like to thank those who took a moment to share their memories and condolences. Your kind thoughts and stories have been helpful in our time of mourning. My Dad was my hero. He taught me work ethic, as he and my Mom worked 7 days a week. He taught me kindness and empathy. He was skilled and willing to share his talents. He loved his work, as it was who he was. He loved helping others. He loved learning and solving problems. I am grateful to be able to call him my Dad. I love you, Dad.*

Debbie

Deb Davison - December 01, 2018 at 06:49 AM

RW

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you. With love, Robin & Brian*



Robin and Brian Wild - November 22, 2018 at 08:50 AM

RK

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you now. Dr Allen was a wonderful man. May God carry you in his hands during this difficult time*

Rebecca Turner Kaemmerling - November 21, 2018 at 08:58 PM

BD

“ *Jeff, Colleen & Debbie,
My thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. Your Dad was loved by so many ... he was always there for everyone ... with a gentle smile and kind words. You, guys, were the love of his life. He was so proud of each of you. Take care .. and know he is only a thought away!*
Betty Duffy

Betty Duffy - November 21, 2018 at 06:58 PM

CS

“ *RIP Doc Allen, I remember him from my childhood. He was a great Doctor and a kind man.*



Catherine Simmons - November 21, 2018 at 05:20 AM

CY

“ Dr Allen was a kind, caring, though doctor. My family went to him for years. He will truly be missed by many people. He was missed when he retired from his doctor office. He continued to work in the medical field and always had that kind soul, ehever he went. My parents were friends with him always.

Carol Ann Blake Yeater - November 20, 2018 at 10:16 PM

BD

“ I met Dr. Allen years ago when I first entered practice. He and his first wife Adelaide were very friendly & welcoming. They were always most pleasant & supportive & just nice people. Unfortunately, he lost her several years ago.

Over the years, I came to consider him a friend. In recent years, he became one of my patients. I always looked forward & appreciated our discussions when he would visit the office. He also introduced me to his new wife Dorcas. Dorcas is a wonderful lady & I appreciated their great relationship. How fortunate Ken was to find two wonderful women in his life. It says a lot about God's plan for us but also says a lot about the kind of man he was. I will surely miss him.

Bruce Blank, DPM

Bruce Blank, DPM - November 20, 2018 at 08:26 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kenneth J. Allen, MD.



November 20, 2018 at 10:46 AM

JF

“ In my 20 years at Reynolds Memorial Dr. Allen was always a smile in the hallway at every turn. He was a soft spoken gentleman with great professionalism. He contributed greatly to the RMH family and the community of Glen Dale. As the Director of Music in the 90s at Glen Dale UMC he was a supporter of the church when he was able. My condolences to Jeff and Barb Cuichta and the rest of the family at their time of grieving.

Judy Flynn - November 19, 2018 at 08:59 PM

JA

“ Doctor Allen was an outstanding doctor , always ready to offer extra support when needed . I am proud to be his cousin . Til we meet again . Jim (Tyke) Allen .

James Allen - November 19, 2018 at 07:04 PM

DB

*Ken was a great guy and doctor.
Sorry for your loss.
Ernie Bonitatibus, M.D.*

Dr Ernie Bonitatibus - November 20, 2018 at 06:25 PM

BC

“ I grew up in Moundsville with Kenny and was his roommate our freshman year at Marshall.. Unfortunately, we lost track of one another over the years, but in my mind he will always be a good friend. It does not surprise me that he was a successful and much-loved doctor. I would expect nothing less.

Bill Chaddock

Bill Chaddock - November 19, 2018 at 05:00 PM

WH

Prayers for you, Jeff, and all your family.

Wayne Hooper - November 20, 2018 at 08:24 AM

SG

“ *when I was 11 years old I had the flu and was sleeping on the couch. when I woke up Dr. Allen was smiling down at me. This is when doctors actually made house calls. He was my doctor from 1960 until the early 80s. He was such a wonderful and compassionate doctor and man. He will be greatly missed. Prayers for his children and sister and brother. R.I.P. DR. ALLEN.*

Shirley George - November 19, 2018 at 04:09 PM

DM

“ *A most caring and compassionate doctor and friend, took care of our entire family. May he Rest In Peace. Prayers to his family. Diana Boggs Magers*

Diana Magers - November 19, 2018 at 04:02 PM

LG

“*Dr. Kenneth was absolutely the best doctor I've ever had. I really grieve his loss. My husband and I were fortunate enough to have seen him in the lobby of Wheeling Hospital the Summer of 2018 and had time to briefly talk with him. More than anything else Dr. Allen was so intelligent and had the ability to be understanding to all of his patients. His presence and intellect and caring made all the difference in helping his patients. I was 36 during my last pregnancy and had a very difficult delivery 4 years prior with another specialist in Wheeling. Thus, I was fearful of another delivery. Dr. Allen arranged a tour of Reynolds Birthing Unit and accommodated me and my family in the most wonderful way imaginable. The delivery went well and so much of it was due to Dr. Allen listening and being comforting to his patient. It was a gift I have always been thankful for. When my daughter was born (1982) Dr. Allen was a little surprised when he heard her name. He quietly told me and smiled that his daughter's name was also Colleen. I later sent a large floral arrangement after my delivery to Dr. Allen's office thanking he and his entire staff for such professional service. His wife Adelaide also managed the office so very well. I mentioned to Dr. Allen that I had went to many doctors in the Ohio Valley and he was the absolute best for my delivery. Jokingly, but truthfully, I told him I have traveled miles from the Northern Panhandle and finally found your office and you. He was such a listener, so very gifted as a doctor, and I know there are surely many professionals and patients who will miss him. The doctor of a lifetime for sure. The old-fashioned family doctor who did it all and just possessed that inherent touch and art of being the perfect doctor. I have lived all over the country and no other doctor could touch the likes of Dr. Kenneth Allen. He will be so missed and so many were fortunate to have been on the receiving end of his incredible medical knowledge and patient care. He had a heart for the profession. He was a physician who was God's gift to this area. Thank you Dr. Allen and family for sharing him with us. I will pray for Dr. Allen and the family and for God's comfort and love.*

Thank you Dr. Allen and Thank God for Dr. Allen for caring about me and my family and being such an honor to the medical

profession.

*Linda Gereg
48631 Fairpoint-Maynard Road
St. Clairsville, Ohio 43950*

Linda Gereg - November 19, 2018 at 03:54 PM

BK

“ *A good doctor, may he rest in peace. Pr ayers for all the family. Don and Brenda Kinney*

brenda kinney - November 19, 2018 at 01:00 PM

DG

Jeff, Colleen, and Deborah: I am sorry for your loss. Dr. Allen was a great individual. My prayers are that peace and comfort will be yours at this time. Dr. Joseph "Joe" Geiger

Dr. Joseph. Geiger - November 19, 2018 at 07:20 PM

RO

“ *RosemaryWood lit a candle in memory of Kenneth J. Allen, MD*



RosemaryWood - November 19, 2018 at 10:50 AM

BF

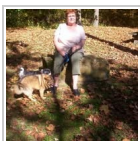
“ *Dr Allen was a wonderful person. Honest, sincere, fair & dedicated to his family, community & patients. He was a fantastic & caring Doctor. I will say some prayers for Doctor & his family. bob fitzsimmons*

bob fitzsimmons - November 19, 2018 at 09:37 AM

BM

“ Dr Allen will always be remembered in our household ,was my doctor and delivered all three of my beautiful children, though in the military traveled all the way back to Moundsville, that’s how much I trusted him. Rest In Peace
Prayers and condolences to the family

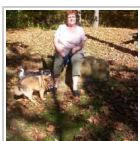
Billie Jo Magers - November 19, 2018 at 07:33 AM



“ I remember when Dr. Allen first started his practice and he became my doctor. He was serious when need be and always had a sense of humor.
He made decisions quickly and thoroughly for his patients.
I became an employee of Reynold's Memorial Hospital working there 30 years and while there I remember seeing Dr. Allen around the halls time and again. Thank you Dr. Allen.



Patricia Bowers - November 19, 2018 at 06:05 AM



“ My sincerest sympathy to all the Allen family.



Patricia Bowers - November 19, 2018 at 05:09 AM

DM

My sincere sympathy to his family ,such a sweet person,loved him being my Dr for many years.truely cared about his patients.prayers

Dana magers - November 20, 2018 at 09:44 PM

WY

“ *Wilma Yoho lit a candle in memory of
Kenneth J. Allen, MD*



Wilma Yoho - November 18, 2018 at 08:48 PM

WY

*There is not a doctor,,in this whole world,,that would be as good as
DR.ALLEN...Back in the day,,any thing and every thing of your medical
problem,no matter what it was,,from the top of your head to the bottom
of your feet,,if you where sick,,dad would say,,i'm taken you to the
doctor,,off to Doctor Allen we'd go..Doctor Allen fixed every thing,,not
like now.If you have five medical problems you go to that many
doctors..When Doctor Allen was my doctor,,,,He is all I needed..The
best is Dr.Allen.. You rest now my friend,,my dad,would be heart broken
,,as I am..Prayers for strength for us all as we go thru this old world
,,with out you ..Please,,Lord treat him with open an gentle arms..just
as he has always treated his family friends patients and any one he
saw.A great man/doctor.Thank you Dr.Allen for all your great care and
for being there for my dad at his time of need.*

wilma yoho - November 19, 2018 at 09:40 PM

MH

*My Doctor for many years, delivered my daughter ! No-One could ask
for a better Dr. !! RIP Dr. Allen :(God Speed*

Margaret Henthorn - November 20, 2018 at 09:15 PM