



J. Donald Lucker, MD

May 27, 1931 - February 10, 2025

J. Donald Lucker, MD, age 93 of Kirtland, passed away Monday, February 10, 2025 at Cleveland Clinic-Hillcrest Hospital in Mayfield. He was born May 27, 1931 in New York, NY.

Dr. Lucker was a retired pediatrician who practiced medicine in Lake County for over 50 years.

Don ("Doc") enjoyed golfing, wearing costumes for Halloween at the office, travelling and taking care of people, babies and kids. He was a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Painesville, served in many capacities as a Boy Scout Leader for Troup 165 (at Zion), a 50+ year member and past president of Painesville Rotary, a volunteer for the Lake County Free Clinic, and served on many boards of non-profit organizations.

He was a Captain in the US Air Force where he served as the base pediatrician for Otis Air Force base on Cape Cod, MA.

Survivors include his sons: Scott (Lucy) Lucker, Craig, Andrew and Stuart Lucker; grandchildren: Elizabeth (Adam) McDonald and John Lucker; and his great grandchildren: Everleigh and Jacob.

Preceding Don in death are his wife of 63 years: Gail (Hodgins) Lucker;

parents: John and Elzadah Lucker and siblings: Lois Durr and Warren Lucker.

The family will receive friends from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 8, 2025 at Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, Ohio 44060.

A memorial service will be held at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 8, 2025 at the funeral home.

A private family inurnment will take place in Mentor Cemetery, Mentor, OH.

The family request donations be made to the Painesville Rotary Foundation, PO Box 821, Painesville, OH 44077.

Offer condolences at www.brunners.com.

Cemetery Details

Mentor Cemetery

6881 Hopkins Rd.
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 974-5733

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 8. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center
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Tribute Wall

EB

“ Dr. Lucker and his wife were great friends of my father, Dr. Al Bringardner and my mother. He took care of us as children growing up in Painesville. He had a gentle manner which eased somewhat the panic of going to the pediatrician's. I was so pleased to greet him at my father's memorial service 2 years ago. He was a great person and I am saddened to learn of his passing. My condolences to his family.

Edwin William Bringardner - March 15, 2025 at 02:10 PM

AB

Dr Lucker was a wonderful pediatrician. Kind, and caring, all the time knowing that we were all terrified (especially my brother) of getting a shot. My brothers and sisters were so touched that he came to my father's memorial service and remembered all of us. I gave him a big hug and thanked him for taking care of me and my brothers and sisters. Sending my thoughts and prayers to his family.

Amy Bringardner - March 15, 2025 at 04:32 PM

JB

“ Jason, Sue and Boys! planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of J. Donald Lucker, MD.

Jason, Sue and Boys! - March 07, 2025 at 03:53 PM

JB

“ Jason, Sue and Boys! purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of J. Donald Lucker, MD.



Jason, Sue and Boys! - March 07, 2025 at 03:53 PM

KG

“ I'm so glad I got to see Dr. Lucker at a New Year's Eve luncheon and thank him for helping us 43 years ago when we went to the ER with a very sick daughter. I will never forget his kindness and caring for our family. So many people in the community loved him. Sincere sympathy to his family and close friends.

Karen Gates - March 05, 2025 at 09:17 PM

MW

“ Dr. Lucker was my very favorite pediatrician for my children!! He was always so kind and gentle.. Rest in peace Dr.Lucker.. Prayers for your family and friends... Fondly, Marty Waller

Martha Waller - March 04, 2025 at 01:34 PM

MB

“ Our children were pediatric patients of Dr. Lucker in the 1970's-1980's. Dr. Lucker was a very kind and gentle physician. Our sincere condolences to his family.

Mary and William Bouffard - March 02, 2025 at 01:24 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of J. Donald Lucker, MD.



February 26, 2025 at 07:54 PM

BV

“ Scott, Craig, Stu and Andrew: It breaks my heart to hear about your dad's passing. I knew him (and your mom) all my life as their godson. I was blessed that they kept in touch with me for almost 64 years. As sorry as I am that your dad has passed away, I know he will now be reunited with your mom. I will keep them, and you, in my thoughts and prayers.

With condolences,

Bruce Velzy

Bruce Velzy - February 22, 2025 at 05:07 PM

DI

“ The Lucker family, our sincere condolences for your loss. Dr. Lucker was one of our pediatricians growing up and a fellow Rotarian with our Dad. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family...Doug, Deb, Greg and Ken Inscho

Doug Inscho - February 19, 2025 at 12:17 PM

KE

“ Dr Lucker was an amazing pediatrician and person! He was my pediatrician as well as my son's pediatrician. He always made sure that you left with all your questions answered and that you felt heard! He will be deeply missed by many in Lake County! May his family know that they are in my prayers and thoughts during this difficult time 🙏



Kellie - February 19, 2025 at 07:24 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of J. Donald Lucker, MD.

February 13, 2025 at 05:40 PM



“ Dear Stu and family, my memories of Don's Rotary welcome and steady inclusion of an out-of-town, green, accidentally controversial Episcopal priest was a great gift to my time in Painesville. I continue to be active on our local Rotary in Omaha and will remember him with love and respect. I pray you each are comforted by the gracious Holy Spirit. With love, Mother Vanessa and Mark Clark

Vanessa Clark - February 13, 2025 at 03:44 PM