



## George Harmon Constantine

September 30, 1936 - May 31, 2025

George H. Constantine Jr., A lifelong learner and educator, and a devoted father, passed away peacefully on May 31, 2025, in Portland, Oregon. George was born on September 30, 1936, in San Francisco, California, to Helen (Theodos) and George H. Constantine Sr. He spent his early years in the Bay Area, where his father owned and operated a pharmacy—an environment that would go on to shape George's own distinguished career in pharmacy education and biomedical research.

George graduated from Fremont High School in Sunnyvale, California, and began his college education at San Jose State University. He later transferred to the University of Utah, where he earned both his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in Pharmacy. His academic journey concluded at Oregon State University, where he received his Ph.D. from the College of Pharmacy.

It was in San Jose where George was introduced to the love of his life, Nancy Ash, through his sister, Chris. George and Nancy were married in 1962 and soon settled in Corvallis, Oregon, where George completed his doctoral studies and began a fulfilling academic career at Oregon State University. Together, George and Nancy raised three children—Melissa (Constantine) Gallagher, Christopher Constantine, and Anne Constantine. Nancy passed away in 2010, and George carried her memory with him always.

Many joyful family memories were also made at “The Ranch” in San Jose, CA, where the Constantine family spent summers and holidays with extended

family.

George's academic and professional career spanned more than 33 years at Oregon State University, where he served in numerous roles, including Assistant Professor, Associate Dean, and Head Advisor. A prolific scholar, George authored over 40 publications, gave more than 12 talks annually, and secured over 13 research grants—many focused on marine biomedical. He actively participated in more than 90 pharmacy, university, and professional activities throughout his career, and was widely respected by colleagues and students alike.

Beyond the classroom, he co-founded Benton Hospice Service, Inc. (now Lumina Hospice), and was an active member of the Greater Corvallis Rotary Club. George's love for theater began in high school and continued throughout his life, including active involvement in the Valley Round Barn Theater.

He was very active member of the Church of the Good Samaritan as a lector and a choir member for over 50 years

George is survived by his sister, Chris Regnart and her husband Rich of (Palo Cedro CA) as well as nephews Rob and Greg. He leaves behind his beloved children: Melissa Gallagher (Canby OR), Christopher Constantine (San Rafael CA), and Anne Constantine (Florida). His legacy lives on through his grandchildren: Jessica Martinez (Albany, OR) and her sons Jaden and Jaxton; Kelsey Martinez and her fiancé Caleb, along with great grandchildren Mason, Blake, and Maliyah (Arizona); and Katie, daughter of Anne (Florida). He is also survived by his good friend and companion Beverley Beckley.

George will be remembered his service to others, his warmth, and his dedication to both family and profession. His life was an example of integrity and love. He always had a warm smile and a big "Hello" to everyone.

He will be so missed.

A celebration of George's life will be held at McHenry Funeral home 206 NW 5th ST Corvallis, OR on June 20th at 2pm. A private interment for the family will be held at Good Samaritan Church.



# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUN **20**. 2:00 PM (PT)

McHenry Funeral Home  
206 NW 5th St.  
Corvallis, OR 97330  
(541) 757-8141  
[info@mchenryfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@mchenryfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

KG

“ George was instrumental in my admission to pharmacy school. He was a patient supportive teacher always available to help me progress. In later years I reconnected with George and shared coffee and doughnuts along with conversation during my spring trips to Corvallis. A life well lived he is called home. Aloha, George.

Kevin Glick - November 14, 2025 at 08:16 PM



“ George and I graduated together, class of '60. Not surprised that he continued learning and sharing with others through out his life. My fondest memory is the line dancing we did on the roof of the gym building (where our labs were located) between classes.

Jeannette Ehrlich - September 28, 2025 at 01:56 AM

MG

“ My dad was a wonderful father, husband, companion, but most of all he was my best friend  
May he rest in peace. I will love you forever.



Melissa Gallagher - June 10, 2025 at 08:58 PM

JE

*Professor George Constantine was a Professor I would forever never forget. Very helpful in the teaching of Anti Infectives at the Oregon State University School of Pharmacy(in my Days Sept. 1973-July 1976).*

*May his Most Gentle Soul and All the Souls of the Faithful Departed Rest In Perfect Peace In the Bosom of Our Lord in His Everlasting Kingdom.*

*Joseph C.S. Ezenekwe  
Class of 1976.*

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**JOSEOH C.S. EZENEKWE** - August 24, 2025 at 08:02 PM



“ *A life well lived is much like a day on the water—patient, peaceful, and full of quiet joy.*”



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**Chris Constantine** - June 07, 2025 at 02:53 PM

WM

“ *A long time ago Dr. Constantine changed my life for the better and I am forever grateful.*”

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**W. McClatchey** - June 06, 2025 at 12:51 PM

RR

“ *One of nicest persons I've ever met in my life. His kindness was contagious and brought smiles.*”

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**R. Reed** - June 06, 2025 at 01:45 AM

CR

“ I attended church with George for years, always enjoying his role as lector, reading the weekly lessons with an amazing reading voice...you were an inspiration and will be missed

Craig - June 06, 2025 at 12:11 AM

CR

“ In memory of a life well lived ...we will treasure the memories. Chris and Rich



Chris and Rich Regnart - June 05, 2025 at 03:14 PM



“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Jodi Altendorf - June 05, 2025 at 12:18 PM

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Signe - June 04, 2025 at 07:15 PM

SO

*Lemon cake, made by Grace, for George's birthday 2023. Look how happy he is!*

**Signe Olson** - June 06, 2025 at 10:04 PM

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**Signe** - June 04, 2025 at 07:07 PM

SO

*At our wedding on 7.25.14. Signe & Dan.*

**Signe Olson** - June 06, 2025 at 10:05 PM

NM

“ *Rest in peace George.*

**Nick Montel** - June 03, 2025 at 11:27 PM

SA

*From one neighbor to another, we have fond memories of those moments in time, take care, the Austin Family*

**Sara Austin** - June 05, 2025 at 12:23 PM