

OBITUARY

Antonios Costas Kaiafas, M.D., 76, of Wall, passed away peacefully on Friday, February 15, 2013 at Jersey Shore Medical Center, Neptune. Antonios was born and raised in a small village, Mia Milia, Cyprus. He was one of seven siblings. In 1956 he came to the United States and attended Drew University in Madison, NJ where he entered the Pre-Med Program and played soccer. He then followed it up by attending Medical School in Athens, Greece, where he also met his wife of 47 years. He then returned to do his internship at Morristown Memorial Hospital. After finishing Urology, he went back to Cyprus where he opened up his own clinic in 1971. After a war in Cyprus ensued, he chose to return to the United States, where he raised his family in Hackettstown and practiced Urology at Hackettstown Community Hospital, where he served as President for eight years. During that time he was very active in all Greek American philanthropic causes, and also became President of St. Andrew's Greek Orthodox Church. He retired in 2000 and moved to Wall Township to help with the family business he built, the Princess Maria Diner, and to be near his family. His last great accomplishment was to be inducted into the Drew University Soccer Hall of Fame.

He was predeceased by his two brothers, Nick and Soli and his parents, Costas and Maria Sophocles Kaiafas. Surviving is his beloved wife Etta, his three lovely children, Costas, Elena, and Zacharoulla, his eight granddaughters, three brothers Sotiris, Andreas, and Stili and his two sisters Lenia and Demetra.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the visitation on Thursday from 2-4 & 7-9pm at the O'Brien Funeral Home, 2028 Hwy 35 at New Bedford Rd., Wall. Funeral Service will be held on Friday, February 22, 2013 at 10:00am at St. Barbara's Greek Orthodox Church, 2200 Church Rd. Toms River, NJ 08753. Please go directly to the Church on Friday morning. Burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery, Brielle. Arrangements are under the direction of the O'Brien Funeral Home, Wall. For further information or to send condolences to the family please visit www.obrienfuneralhome.com

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