



## **John J. Phelan, Jr. M.D.**

September 7, 1927 - May 30, 2012

Guilderland-Dr. John J. Phelan Jr, 84, died peacefully at home on Wednesday, May 30, 2012 surrounded by his children following a long illness.

Dr. Phelan was born in Albany, NY on September 7, 1927, the son of the late Dr. John and Ruth Carrigan Phelan. He was a graduate of Vincentian Institute, Holy Cross College and Albany Medical College. He began private practice in 1958 and was the Chief of Surgery at St. Peter's Hospital until his retirement in 1998. He was a past president of The Medical Society of the County of Albany. He was past president and a member of Albany County Club for over fifty years. He was also a Communicant of Christ the King Church, Westmere. One of his most cherished honors was being named Physician of the Year in 1991.

Dr. Phelan was predeceased by his loving wife, Jean Totman Phelan in 1998 and is survived by his six children Patricia (Kevin) Broderick of Guilderland, Mary (Judd) Staley of Niskayuna, John (Robin) Phelan of Guilderland, Eileen (Peter) Rings of Scotia, Ward (Jean Hunter) Phelan of Michigan, and Brian (Kimberleigh) Phelan of Guilderland. He was blessed with thirteen grandchildren, Casey and Margaret Broderick, Judd (Sharon), Christopher, and Laura Staley, John IV, Kelsie, Katherine and Benjamin Phelan, Zachary White, Michael Rings, Zoe Elwell and Ava Phelan.

He is also survived by his sister Anne (John) Ryan, his brothers David (Jeanette) Phelan and Peter Phelan along with many nieces and nephews. Dr. Phelan was predeceased by his brothers Robert Phelan, Richard Phelan and his sisters Ruth Phelan, Joan (Davis) Tarr, and Rosemary Phelan.

He was especially delighted in becoming a great grandfather earlier this year with the birth of Henry Ellis Staley.

Funeral services Tuesday, June 5, 2012 at 10:15 am from the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany thence to Christ the King Church, Westmere at 11:00 am where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated.

Relatives and friends are invited and may call Monday, June 4, 2012 4:00 to 7:00 pm in the funeral home.

The parish family of Christ the King Church will gather Monday at 4:30 pm at the funeral home for a service of prayer and remembrance. All are welcome.

Interment St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands.

Those wishing to remember Dr. Phelan in a special way may send a contribution to St. Peter's Hospital Foundation, 315 S Manning Blvd., Albany, NY 12208.

To leave the family a special message on their guest book, obtain a prayer card or directions, please visit [www.McveighFuneralHome.com](http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of John J. Phelan, Jr. M.D.*



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**McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.** - May 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *John J. Phelan, Jr. M.D.*

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October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Eileen,  
My thoughts and prayers extend to both you and your family at this very difficult time! Your dad was an amazing human being whom has made his marking on this earth. Thinking of you and love you dearly.*

*Love always,  
Kristin Reilly##imported-begin##Kristin Reilly##imported-end##*

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June 04, 2012 at 05:45 PM



“ *We wish to express our sympathy in your loss, our thoughts are with you.##imported-begin##Jeffrey Merrihew##imported-end##*

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June 04, 2012 at 05:15 PM



“ Brian,

*So sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

*Lynne Lewis*##imported-begin##*Lynne Lewis*##imported-end##

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June 04, 2012 at 03:23 PM



“ Brian and Family. I know this is a very hard time for you right now. Just wanted to let you know I'm thinking of you.##imported-begin##*Michele Flaherty*##imported-end##

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June 04, 2012 at 03:20 PM



“ Brian & Kim,

*Christi and I both wish to send along our condolences. Just wanted to let you know that we are thinking about you and the rest of your family.##imported-begin##Ken Hayden & Christi Nelson##imported-end##*

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June 04, 2012 at 02:52 PM



“ I'm thinking of you Brian and your family. I know how hard this time must be for all of you. Your in my prayers.

*Donna Miller*  
*Janitronics, Inc.*##imported-begin##*Donna Miller*##imported-end##

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June 04, 2012 at 08:21 AM



“ *Our sincere condolences to the Phelan family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Joanne and Wayne Van Genderen##imported-end##*

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June 01, 2012 at 08:38 AM