



Dr. Christopher Jay Wrenn

July 16, 1947 - June 1, 2018

Christopher Jay Wrenn, MD, 70, died in Tyler on June 1, 2018. He is survived by beloved wife Nancy Bowie Wrenn of Tyler and daughters Kristina Elizabeth Wrenn of Dallas and Courtney Bowie Wrenn of Catskill, New York.

Christopher was born on July 16, 1947 to Earl Walton and Maxine Elizabeth Luther Wrenn in Margarita, Panama Canal Zone. He graduated from Cristobal High School, Cristobal, Panama Canal Zone in 1965 and from Baylor University in 1969. He attended the University of Nebraska School of Medicine, and was an AOA graduate, having returned to his Wrenn Family roots after spending summers on his Grandfather's farm in Scottsbluff. Dr. Wrenn completed his Residency at Children's Medical Center, Dallas 1973-1976 and was Chief Resident there 1976-1977. Upon completing his residency, he was the Medical Director of Los Barrios Unidos Clinica in West Dallas. He was a fellow in the division of Allergy and Immunology, investigating neutrophil movement under Agrose at UTMB.

He began his Allergy and Immunology Career at the Graves Gilbert Clinic in Bowling Green, Kentucky before joining Dr. Benjamin R. Fisch at the Allergy Clinic in October 1984 in Tyler.

Dr. Wrenn cared deeply for his patients over his 37 years in practice. He believed in never rushing a diagnosis or dismissing a detail, always listening to a patient's family and never relying solely on an electronic medical record.

He retired from practicing with Dr. Jack Harris on July 1, 2017.

Dr. Wrenn was certified by the American Board of Pediatrics and the American Board of Allergy and Immunology, he was a Lifetime Member of the Texas Medical Association and a Member of the Smith County Medical Society.

Dr. Wrenn loved the jungle, the mountains, the beach, sunsets, making memories, oysters, tugboats, tropical flowers, Kristina's artistic gourmet meals, philosophical and spiritual conversations with Courtney and a cold New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc. He collected Pan Canal Memorabilia, was an avid reader, a Philatelist and a man with a heart of gold. He lived his life putting others before himself and always had a kind and caring word for everyone. He surprised Nancy with a 45th anniversary Party and Concert 3 years ago as he liked nothing more than entertaining at home and celebrating their life together.

Dr. Wrenn was the brother of Dr. Keith Wrenn (Melissa); Uncle to Dr. Amy Wrenn (Dr. Sathya Chinnadurai), Dr. Jesse Wrenn (Audrey), Henry Wrenn and Joe Wrenn, Great Nieces Helena and Rosie Chinnadurai and Great Nephew William Wrenn; and brother-in-law to Barbara Bowie-Whitman and Katy and Buddy Dooley. He was predeceased by his parents; his grandparents, Oden and Pearl Wrenn and Edward Leverette and Agnes Elizabeth Luther; godparents, R.G. and Mary Condon and Lottie and Harold Tinnen; parents-in-law, Charlotte and Robert Bowie; brother-in-law, Lt. Col. John Whitman and dear friends, Ben and Maytee Fisch.

Dr. Wrenn loved children and sadly did not get to meet any grandchildren of his own. On his deathbed he was honored by his nephew Jesse and wife Audrey in naming their soon-to-be-born son, Christopher Wrenn.

The Family would like to thank Dr. Andrea Ellis, Dr. Sheldon Freeberg, Dr.

Nghia D. Troung and her outstanding MICU Staff at Christus Trinity Mother Frances, Dr. Charles Dixon, Dr. Richard Siedel, Dr. Don Richards, Alicia Lowery and the entire staff of the Texas Oncology Infusion Room lead by Susan Carson who will forever be part of our family.

He had anticipated his retirement would include more conversations and time with Les Aiello, Jan Fuerst, Mike Gazette, Gary Gross, Phil Jensen, Richard Lee, Tracy Lisner, Howard Mintz, Mike Rowan, Ron Safford, Tommy Stewart, Frank Ward and Larry Wilson.

The Family will have a private celebration of his life at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to The Ben and Maytee Fisch College of Pharmacy, Christopher Wrenn Scholarship Fund, The University of Texas at Tyler, 3900 University Boulevard, Tyler, Texas 75799.

Visitation will be Sunday, June 3, 2018 from 4-7 p.m. at 2012 Canberra Court, Tyler.

Tribute Wall

JH

“ Chris was one of my favorite colleagues, always ready to analyze a complicated allergy case in detail, patiently explain it to me, and follow up when new information came along. I felt honored that he and family would come to Dallas to see me and always enjoyed his ready wit. I will miss him greatly.

James Herndon - November 08, 2018 at 01:23 PM

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“ Dr Wrenn was such a wonderful and caring man and physician. It broke my heart when i found out he was retiring but at my last appointment with him after my checkup we sat and talked for a good 45 minutes about everything under the sun and how he was going to have so much to do at home because his wife had a big honey do list for him to complete! I cannot believe that hes gone but the world is a much healthier and better place for him being here. God bless him and bring your family comfort during this time. He was my doctor for over 20 years and he will be so missed!!

Mollie Belcher - June 13, 2018 at 04:18 PM

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“ Dr. Wrenn was my doctor for a number of years. My office visits consisted of my health evaluation followed by extended conversations of many history related subjects including the family farm and roots in Nebraska and the discussion of good BBQ. I know that I miss him as my doctor but not as much as his family and close friends will. May God bring you comfort and peace during this time.

Andy Lynn - June 05, 2018 at 11:38 AM

JB

“ I called on Dr. Wrenn and Harris for 16 or so years, also used them both as physicians. A class act indeed. I do remember Doc talking about NYC and tug boats. Good times, Good guy. RIP Dr. Wrenn, you were one of the good ones.

John R. Bell

Retired Pfizer

John R Bell - June 04, 2018 at 01:42 PM