

Obituary
William M. Michener, MD

William M. Michener, MD, a distinguished pediatrician and educator of pediatric medical students and residents, died in Naples, Florida on September 28, 2017.

At Dartmouth, Bill majored in Chemistry/ Zoology and was a member of Sigma Nu fraternity and the varsity track team. He went on to receive his MD degree at Tufts Medical School, along with 16 of his Dartmouth classmates. He interned at Walter Reed Army Hospital and served two years in the U.S. Army Medical Corps.

Following a pediatric fellowship at the Mayo Clinic he joined the Cleveland Clinic with a rare specialty in pediatric gastroenterology. Bill was the author of more than 100 articles on ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease. While at the Cleveland Clinic he served as director of education, overseeing the training of young medical students. He was a member of the medical faculties at Cleveland Clinic and Ohio State University.

Bill interrupted his career in Cleveland to spend 5 years as a leader of a new department of pediatrics at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque. While there he served as president of the Dartmouth Club of New Mexico.

He was honored with the Mayo Clinic's Distinguished Pediatric Alumnus award and the Edward John Nobel Foundation award for development of leadership potential. Bill served on the board of Planned Parenthood in Cleveland. He found time to indulge life-long interests in fishing and tennis.

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Bill's wife Roxie predeceased him in May, 2017. Surviving are two children, both Dartmouth graduates, and three grandchildren.

