

Dr. Gerald Francis Gagnon

GERALD FRANCIS GAGNON, M.D. Dr. Gerald Francis Gagnon, beloved by patients as "a guy who talks to you and explains things..." died Friday, December 17th in Long Beach at age 83. The cause was colon cancer. The Dr. Gagnon was born in Barstow, California on February 11, 1921. He attended Fullerton Junior College, graduated from [U.C.L.A.](#) and received his medical degree from USC. Dr. Gagnon served in the Navy during [World War II](#). After the War he completed USC medical school. During the [Korean War](#) he served as a doctor in the army. In 1955 he began practice as an orthopedic surgeon at the Seaview Medical Clinic in Wilmington. He then went on to practice at St. Mary's Hospital. In recent years he served as a consultant to medical and chiropractic clinics in the Los Angeles and Orange County areas. Dr. Gagnon practiced in the Long Beach and Orange County area for over 50 years. Gerald Gagnon is survived by his brother Melvin Gagnon; and sister Geraldine Gagnon; by his ex-spouse Virginia; daughters Rose Marie Niles and husband Vince, Jacqueline Grover and husband Ernie, Patricia Northrup and husband John, Judith Riopelle; grandchildren Chad, Matt, Sam and Tess Grover, Lisa Northrup and Brooks Riopelle; great grandchildren Aaron and Evan Grover and Sierra Riopelle. He was preceded in death by his wives, Dorthea Spicer, Sheila Deeth and his son Edmund Gagnon. Dr. Gagnon was dedicated to his work and his patients. He was loved by many for his concern and attention to his patients and the great medical care he provided. Memorial services will be held on January 8, at 1:00pm at All Souls Mortuary, 4400 Cherry Avenue, Long Beach. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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