

Obituaries



JERRY M. KHERADI, MD, FACG, 84, of North Providence, passed away peacefully at his home Sept. 9, 2025. Born in Yazd, Iran, he pursued his medical degree at Grant Medical College in Mumbai, India, completed his medical internship and residency in New York, and pursued a fellowship in gastroenterology at Rhode

Island Hospital. A Fellow of the American College of Gastroenterology, Dr. Kheradi cared for the Rhode Island community for more than 30 years in private practice, serving patients in both gastroenterology and internal medicine.

He served on the Credentials Committee at Our Lady of Fatima Hospital and was president of the Rhode Island Gastroenterology Society. Upon retiring, he donated his office suite to Tri-County, a charitable organization that transformed the space into a state-of-the-art dental clinic serving underprivileged children and families. He continued his lifelong commitment to service as chairperson for Funds and Finance for the Federation of Zoroastrian Associations of North America (FEZANA) for more than a decade. He spoke eight languages, he was a gifted, intelligent, and hardworking physician who dedicated his life to helping others.

He is survived by his wife, Celeste; his beloved daughter, Delara Lungen, and her husband, Matthew; and his treasured grandchildren, James and Ava, who brought endless light and pride into his life. He also leaves behind his dear sisters, Farangis Izedian and Manijeh Nadjmi, and her husband, Dr. Bruce Nadjmi; along with sisters-in-law Homai Kheradi and Teresa Kheradi; and a large extended family of devoted nieces, nephews, and lifelong friends who will carry his memory forward with love.

Donations can be made in his memory to St. Anthony Church, 4 Gibbs Street, North Providence, RI 02904 or FEZANA. ❖

STEVEN WEISBLATT, MD, born September 4, 1952 in Philadelphia, died peacefully on September 16, 2024 after battling cancer. After receiving his medical degree at the University of Wisconsin, he eventually settled in Rhode Island with his family in 1989.



He spent 25+ years dedicated to his practice at St. Joseph's Hospital before moving with his wife and best friend, Judith Gaynor Weisblatt (1950–2019), to Fayetteville, AR, to work at the VA. He returned to his hometown of Philadelphia after the passing of his beloved wife.

He loved reading, history, film, music and pretending to be indifferent to the beloved family dog, Pondy. He was dedicated to his loved ones, always had a helpful bit of advice or story and held a curiosity about life that never dimmed.

He leaves behind his son, Samuel Weisblatt, his daughter-in-law, Laura and his four grandchildren, Yishai, Judah, Yair and Noa, as well as his daughter, Elizabeth Weisblatt and her partner Medra Cruikshank along with his younger siblings, Ricky and Roseann Weisblatt.

In his memory, a donation can be made to the Throat Cancer Foundation or The Survivor Mitzvah Project. ❖