

JOHN H. REID
1921-1991

FAMILY HISTORY:

John H. Reid was born in Troy, New York on June 15, 1921 to parents John and Mary (Kiernan) Reid. John had 2 sisters; Eleanor and Jean and one brother, Robert.

EDUCATION:

John was a graduate of the former Miss Thiessen's School in the Proctor Building in Troy, attended the former St. Peter's School in Troy, Averill Park Central School and graduated in 1938 from LaSalle Institute in Troy. He attended Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute prior to World War II, and after the war graduated with a bachelor of science degree in biology in 1947. John graduated from Albany Medical College in 1951.

HISTORY:

John entered into the United States Army Air Force on April 10, 1943. He was sent to the Aviation Cadets School in Monroe, LA. After graduating as a navigator first lieutenant, he was sent to the 5th Air Force 380th Bomb Group in Northern Australia. He flew combat strikes in Borneo, Celebes, Java and the Philippines. After his overseas duty, he returned to Monroe to teach navigation until his discharge. He was honorable discharged on December 11, 1945. For his brave and honorable service to his country, First Lieutenant John H. Reid was awarded the Asiatic-Pacific Service Medal, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Far Eastern Air Force Air Medal, and the Far Eastern Air Force with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters.

PERSONAL:

John married Kathleen "Kitty" (Kelly) Reid on November 27, 1952, Thanksgiving Day. He was the father of 2 daughter; Mary Ellen and Kathleen and 5 sons; John, William, Paul, Robert and Martin. He was blessed with 10 grandchildren; Meridith, Charise, Alona, Myles, James, Fiona, Christine, Megan, Chad and Grace.

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Dr. Reid was an intern at Ellis Hospital in Schenectady, NY. He was an assistant resident in internal medicine and psychiatry at Ellis Hospital from 1952-

1954. John was also head resident and hospital physician at St. Mary's Hospital in Troy. Before his retirement in February 1986, Dr. Reid was a family physician in private practice for 32 years, with his office in Averill Park, school physician in the Averill Park School District for 24 years, Rensselaer County coroner and medical examiner for 6 years, health commissioner of Rensselaer County for 8 years, and as assistant school physician of Hudson Valley Community College in Troy.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/ORGANIZATIONS:

He was a member of the board of directors of the Alcoholism Center of Rensselaer County, a member of the Rensselaer County Health Board, Town of Sand Lake Health Officer, conducted pediatric health clinics in Sand Lake at the Church of the Covenant, mental health examiner for the Town of Sand Lake, member and past president of the Rensselaer County Medical Society, member of the New York State Medical Society, the American Medical Association, member of the American Academy of Family Practice in county, state and national divisions, and was the active attending physician on staff at St. Mary's Hospital and Samaritan Hospital in Troy.

Dr. Reid enjoyed reading medical and sports medicine journals, when he had some spare time.

Sadly, John Hendry Reid passed away on July 7, 1991 and was buried at Oakwood Cemetery in Troy, NY.