



## Dr. Lawrence Michael Cibula II

February 23, 1943 - May 16, 2017

A memorial service will be held for Dr. Lawrence "Larry" M. Cibula, 74, on Saturday, May 20, 2017, at 10am at Boulevard Christian Church in Muskogee. The service will be officiated by Pastor Chris Lipp, Rev. James McCracken, and Pastor Steve Moss.

Dr. Cibula passed away on Monday, May 15, 2017, at his home in Muskogee. He was surrounded by family as he slipped peacefully into the arms of his Savior.

Born on February 23, 1943 to Ruth Janke Cibula and Lawrence Michael Cibula, Sr. in Ft. Worth, Texas, he was raised in Lakewood, Ohio, and graduated from St. Edward High School in Lakewood in 1960. After spending his freshman year in college at Marquette University, he transferred to Notre Dame University, from which he graduated in 1964 with his Bachelor's Degree. This was followed by medical school at The Ohio State University in Columbus -- completed in 1968 -- and a medical internship at Mt. Carmel Hospital, also in Columbus. In 1969, he joined the U. S. Navy and began his residency in General Radiology at the U.S. Naval Hospital in San Diego. In 1970, Dr. Cibula began flight surgeon training in Pensacola, Florida, and served as a navy flight surgeon during the Vietnam War and for the Blue Angels. After two additional residencies at the U. S. Naval Hospital in San Diego, the second of which was in Therapeutic Radiology, in 1978 he completed a mentorship in Interstitial Implant Therapy, the field in which he would make his career.

Dr. Cibula moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1978 and began work at St. John's Medical Center. In 1983, he joined Muskogee Regional Medical Center and later founded its standalone Cancer Center.

Larry was an avid golfer and also loved scuba-diving, photography, playing his guitar, and his adorable little dogs, which he often carried around in a pouch on his chest. His grandchildren called him Poppie, and he delighted in taking them to Walt Disney World in Orlando, as well as on other fun adventures. He was a member of Boulevard Christian Church in Muskogee, where he was a leader in the Celebrate Recovery ministry.

Larry was preceded in death by his parents; and nephew, Steven Sheard. He is survived by his wife of 19 years, Jan Cibula; former wife and mother of his children, Katherine Rose Cibula; daughter, Christine Cibula; son, Michael Cibula; brother, Greg Cibula and wife Tammy; sisters, Merry Cibula and Constance Cibula; step son, Dr. Scott LaGraff and wife Kimberly; step daughter, Jennifer LaGraff Lipp and husband Chris; step niece, Christine Blake and husband Drew; grandchildren, Cameron, Aidan, Joshko, Michaela, and Sean; nephew, Luke; nieces, Alexandra, Abby, and Kerry; great niece, Taylor; great nephew, Curtis; and best friend, James Rybak and wife Linda.

# Previous Events

## Family conducted memorial service

MAY 20. 10:00 AM (CT)

Boulevard Christian Church  
1700 W. Shawnee  
Muskogee, OK 74401

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Lawrence Michael Cibula II*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Lawrence Michael Cibula II.*



May 19, 2017 at 09:59 PM



“ *The reality of his passing is really starting to sink in. I have a difficult time believing I will no longer walk into his office and see him sitting in his favorite chair, good music playing in the background, a bag of pistachio's on his left and a large cup of ice with diet coke on his right, the USA Today newspaper spread on his desk and opened to the daily crossword puzzle, Roxie in her pouch, and the look on his face when I knock on the door, minding, but not really minding the interruption, never raising his head, just looking over the rim of his glasses and saying "What"!  
The girls in the radiation department, Cindy, Leah, Vanessa and myself, are heartbroken. He was a teacher, mentor, friend, advocate, and man of God, and we already miss him dearly. I know in my heart, that he is in heaven, golfing, scuba diving, and probably, most importantly, taking Kleina on long walks. I'm sure he is in discussions on how to improve the plights of humanity and teaching about good art, music and wine!  
Rest in peace Dr. C. You will always hold a special place in my heart.--Deanna*

Deanna Gragg - May 18, 2017 at 12:03 PM

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“ *Our OCSRI family is so thankful to the dedication of Dr. Cibula to the patients of McAlester for so many years! He was a blessing to the community and to the staff of the cancer center. We will always remember the gift of his knowledge and also his passion for doing the right thing for our patients. Thank you Dr. Cibula!*  
*Suanne Gersdorf*  
*Oklahoma Cancer Institute and Research Institute*

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**Suanne Gersdorf** - May 16, 2017 at 09:21 PM