

Obituaries

The Ogden Surgical-Medical Society extends its sympathy to the family and friends of our colleagues who have passed on. Their presence and contribution to medicine will be momentarily missed.

Gary Orson Christensen, MD, 68, passed away in March 2020. He was born in 1951 and was raised in Hooper, Utah. Dr. Christensen went to medical school at the University of Utah and completed an internal medicine residency. After his medical training, he went into private practice in Ogden, Utah, where he served his community full-time from 1979 to 2011 as a caring, highly respected physician. Even after being diagnosed with a rare muscular disease, he continued to work part-time as the medical director of a local hospice facility.

He is survived by his wife, Nannette Larsen; two children: Andrew and Amy; and two grandchildren: Jason and Anna.

Fred Eli Clayson, MD, 74, passed away on June 3, 2020. He was born on September 3, 1945 in Sheridan, Wyoming. After receiving his bachelor's degree from Brigham Young University, he finished medical school in just three years at the University of Utah. With extra time before graduation, he spent a few months gaining medical experience overseas. He worked in a bush hospital in Liberia and

completed a fellowship on cholera in Yugoslavia. His medical training finished with an ophthalmology residency at the University of Indiana. He served northern Utah as an ophthalmologist and surgeon for 43 years and was a member of both the Weber County Medical Society and the Ogden Surgical-Medical Society.

He is survived by his wife, Martha Clayson; three children: Scott (Jill), Bradford, and Karen; three grandchildren: Morgan, Landon, and Ian; and three siblings: Dr. Karl Clayson, Karen Clayson Batt, and Dr. Stephen Clayson.

Oliver Wendell Hyde, Jr., MD, 89, passed away on June 4, 2020. He was born on September 6, 1930 in Newark, New Jersey. Dr. Hyde spent four years in the U.S. Navy during the time of the Korean War. Following two years of service as a communications officer on a destroyer, he went on to teach chemistry at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. He earned his MD from the University of Utah and completed his residency at the Dee Hospital. He practiced family medicine in Ogden, Utah for 37 years.

He is survived by his wife, Myrtle; seven children: Steve (Sharon), Noel (Pam), Dixon (Julie), Elaine (Rory) Williams, Valerie (Kevin) Wells, Marilyn (Gary) Cook, Lynette (Kevin) Gatherum; 36 grandchildren; 74 great-grandchildren; and his sister Karen (Larry) Stucki.