



Dr. Benjamin C. Guerra

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Mass for Dr. Benjamin C. Guerra, 57, of Longview, will be 4 PM Wednesday at St. Marys Catholic Church with Father Gavin Vavarek officiating.

The rosary will be recited 7 PM Tuesday at the Rader Funeral Home Chapel.

A native of Manila, Philippines, he was born April 30, 1945. He was a member of St Marys Catholic Church and was a neurosurgeon in Longview since 1981. He loved horses, playing polo, and flying radio-controlled model airplanes. Dr. Guerra was a caring husband, physician and friend. According to his children, he was the best dad in the world.

Survivors include his wife: Pet of Longview, Son: Phillip Guerra of Ft. Worth, Daughters: Maria Guerra of New York, NY, and Victoria Guerra of Austin, Brothers: Reynaldo Guerra of Allentown, PA and Danilo Guerra of Singapore, Sisters: Maritess Banaag of Los Angeles, CA. And Rosemarie Lee of China, Step Mother: Gloria Guerra of Manila, PI.

Memorials may be made to UPMASA University of the Philippines Medical Alumni Society in America Ben Guerra Scholarship Fund, 1204 Secluded Lane, Longview, Texas 75604.



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Anonymous posted:

dear pet,phillip,maria and vicki you will never know the joy that doc brought in to my life. he kept me going when i was going thru all of the test and stuck with me. i have many fond memories and really great laughs in my heart that always came up with the horses and on the polo field. i know he will be missed greatly by everyone but he is riding with the angels now. my prayers of comfort will forever be in my heart toward your family. love, v.##imported-begin##vesha and roy miller##imported-end##

April 25 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Mrs. Guerra, Phillip, Maria and Vick-I can't possibly put into words how truly saddened I am at the loss of Dr. G. He was such a wonderful man and I feel blessed to have been able to grow close to such a loving family as yours. Every time I was around Dr. Guerra, he always made me feel like I was welcome in your home, whether it be by a corny joke, a warm smile, or simply by calling me "Chels." I'll never forget the lectures directed specifically at me on driving safety or the times he came to our class to teach us about the brain. I could never tell you how much I appreciate him for being there for my mom after her car wreck. You can't possibly imagine the comfort it was to me and my entire family knowing someone I trusted and respected so deeply was watching over her. I want to thank Dr. Guerra, and the rest of you, for allowing me to grow up with your family. I love you all, and my thoughts and prayers are always with you.Love,Chels##imported-begin##Chelsea Allen##imported-end##

April 21 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

To Dear, sweet Pet - and your wonderful children, Phillip, Maria, and Vicki,My heart just aches for your loss, but I also know that you are so grateful for the special relationship you had with such a wonderful child of God.Ben was a work in progress, as we all are. He loved being a husband, a father, and a caring physician. How fortunate you were, and how sad you are. How I wish I could make your pain go away.Please know you are loved, though of, and prayed for! May God give you His peace and grace during your time of grief.With much love,##imported-begin##Martha Ylitalo##imported-end##

April 21 at 7:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

##imported-begin##tonya##imported-end##

April 20 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I am sorry to hear of your recent loss of Dr. Guerra. What a terrible shock for the family and great loss for the entire Longview community. May God comfort you all at this time of sorrow. Please give a special hug to Vicki from former drill team member, Kelly Kovach, and her mom, Mrs. Joanne Kovach.##imported-begin##Mrs. Joanne Kovach##imported-end##

April 19 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with the office and home families. Steve and Paula Fitts##imported-begin##Steve and Paula Fitts##imported-end##

April 17 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

TO Dr. Guerra's family, It is our wish to extend our heartfelt condolences and ultimate shock to learn of Dr. Ben Guerra's death---what a loss to this community and especially GSMC. Never can we remember a Doctor more respected. We truly enjoyed taking care of his patients. Our Thoughts and Prayers are with you at this time. S400 nurses and staff##imported-begin##DI TEEGARDIN RN##imported-end##

April 16 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

My thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time. I was a nurse at GSMC for ~2.5 yrs and remember Dr. Guerra. I'm sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Kim Lozano##imported-end##

April 16 at 7:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

I have been a nurse at Longview Regional for 13 years and had many occasions to work with Dr. Guerra and want to share what an enjoyable person he was--ever the gentleman and always had a beautiful smile for everyone. He will be greatly missed by his co-workers in addition to you his family. My sympathy is with you in this time of sorrow. R.Price, RN.##imported-begin##Ruth Price##imported-end##

April 16 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

##imported-begin##Scott Stringer, NE##imported-end##

April 15 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dr Guerra will be truly missed by all of us in the ICU at GSMC,especially those of the Neuro ICU.##imported-begin##Deborah Harrold RN##imported-end##

April 15 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dr. Guerra will truly be missed. He was a great physician and friend.##imported-begin##Lisa Sanders RN##imported-end##

April 15 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

We will miss Dr. Guerra and his smile, positive attitude and caring demeanor with his patients. Condolences to his family.GSMC, Longview##imported-begin##Tammy Bristow RN##imported-end##

April 15 at 7:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

WE WILL CERTAINLY MISS YOUR SMILING FACE, NOT TO MENTION YOUR CALLIGRAPHY AND READING OUR PALMS !!OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH YOUR FAMILY AND MAY GOD KEEP YOU ALL.##imported-begin##Sandi Oney, RN##imported-end##

April 15 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Your kind smile and sense of humor will never be forgotten.##imported-begin##Tonya Fagan##imported-end##

April 15 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

To the Guerra family:Our thoughts and prayers are with you.Saundra Harper##imported-begin##Saundra Harper##imported-end##

April 15 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

May God comfort you. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Dr. Guerra will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##Joni Kelley, RN##imported-end##

April 15 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

My deepest regrets for his passing. I will always remember him as the colleague that I never met. For twenty years I talked to him on the phone, referred patients, and read his consultation reports. Dr. Guerra always appeared sincerely interested in my patients and their well-being.I will miss and remember him.##imported-begin##Royce Hill, M.D.##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I WILL MISS HIS CONTAGIOUS LAUGH AND HIS BEAUTIFUL SMILE.MY PRAYERS ARE WITH HIS PRECIOUS FAMILY. IN CHRIST'S LOVE BELINDA WRIGHT RN SICU##imported-begin##BELINDA WRIGHT ##imported-end##

April 15 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

You are in our thoughts and prayers at this time during your loss. We had the opportunity to get to know and enjoy Dr. Guerra and his polo and horses when he had the house in Diana two doors down from us. Please know we care.##imported-begin##Bob & Jeanette Lassen Miller##imported-end##

April 15 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Pet:We were still are shocked by the simply sad news of Ben's death. One of the things I missed the most after leaving Longview was the chats he and I used to have about difficult cases and about how to manage them. Ben was an outstanding neurosurgeon with constant thirst for more knowledge, with a vivid imagination for techniques and their application to various cases, and with great hands which allowed him to provide the best possible care for his patients. He was a great colleague and a wonderful person to share good times with. Although no one will miss him the way you and the children will, his loss will be deeply felt by the neurosurgical community in general and not just in Longview.Our prayers are, and will always be, with you.##imported-begin##Jose' and Diane Santiago##imported-end##

April 15 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

To the Guerras,I would like to send my most heartfelt condolences to your entire family. I think of all of you every day.Sincerely,Justin Hogg##imported-begin##Justin Hogg##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Pet, We shall always remember Ben with his wonderful smile. Jason has many fond memories with your family; and for these, we thank you. Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers during these difficult days. Lynda and Charles Whalen; Jason and Ginger West##imported-begin##Lynda West Whalen##imported-end##

April 14 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

To the Guerra Family--Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love, Raul and Meredith Roel##imported-begin##Raul and Meredith Roel##imported-end##

April 14 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dr. Guerra will be greatly missed. He was always nice and pleasant when he came into medical records to complete his charts. We often told him that he had the most beautiful handwriting of all the doctors. My prayers go out to his family. Katherine Bradley-Smith Medical Records GSMC##imported-begin##Katherine Bradley-Smith##imported-end##

April 14 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Philip, Ginger and I were saddened to hear about your dad. Please know that we are thinking of you and your family during this difficult time. With deepest sympathy - Jason and Ginger West##imported-begin##Jason and Ginger West##imported-end##

April 14 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Pet, Ben gave my family and I many smiles and fond memories. Our polo playing days were VERY happy ones. Ben will never be forgotten by any us. All our Love, Nancy, Brendan, Thomas and Lane##imported-begin##Nancy Williams Stuart##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

To the Guerra Family: I am sorry to hear about the passing of Dr. Guerra. He was such a pleasant man, and always had a smile on his face when I saw him walking through the halls at Good Shepherd Medical Center. Dr. Guerra was a great doctor to work with. He will always be remembered at GSMC. With deepest sympathy Jennifer Reynolds Medical Imaging##imported-begin##Jennifer Reynolds##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

To the Guerra family- I spent many a night watching movies with Phillip and Dr. Guerra and always remember the fun we had. To this day, I continually brag, "the most talented neurosurgeon in the world is in Longview, TX." He will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##Tony Burns##imported-end##

April 14 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you. With Deepest Sympathy, Leslie O. Nunn, RN Trinity Mother Frances Medical Center##imported-begin##Leslie O. Nunn##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dear Ms. Pet: My thoughts and prayers are with you always. I am here if you ever need anything. In loving friendship, Ginger Gordon##imported-begin##John & Ginger Gordon##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Longview and the entire East Texas community has lost not only a tremendous physician/surgeon, but also an extremely nice guy ... he will be missed greatly ...##imported-begin##Holly Latham, RN##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I am so sorry to hear of your loss.He was my doctor.He was a friend. Rosita Day##imported-begin##RositaDay##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

To The Guerra Family, My family and I are so sorry to hear of your loss. Dr. Guerra was my dad's neurosurgeon, and my dad always spoke highly of him and his work. My thoughts and prayers are with y'all in this trying time. Deepest Sympathies, -Brooke Shambaugh##imported-begin##Brooke Shambaugh##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

##imported-begin##josh smith##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

To the Guerra Family--he was a wonderful person who loved his horses. He will certainly be missed.With deepest sympathy,L. Paul Hill##imported-begin##L. Paul Hill##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

To the Guerra Family Alice and I shared many good times with Ben while flying model airplanes,He was a happy,thoughtful and caring person always ready with a smile and a good word for all of His "Flying Buddies". He will be greatly missed by us and all members of the East Texas Aeromodelers Club. Our prayers are with You and Ben. Thanks for letting him be a part of our life.##imported-begin##Ed & Alice Sidders##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dr. Guerra performed 3 back surgeries for me in 1998 and I found Dr. Guerra to be a very caring person. His entire staff, including his wife Pet, were very dedicated to the well-being of his patients. I will always be grateful to him for the health I am able to enjoy today. Corinne Young##imported-begin##Corinne Young##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Vicky, Maria, Phillip and Mrs. Guerra:I have had the pleasure of knowing your family for more than ten years, and I am truly sorry for your loss. Although I cannot attend the services, please know that I will be thinking of and praying for all of you.##imported-begin##Laura Webb##imported-end##

April 14 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I'm really sorry to hear about this. I'm keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Andrea Edmondson##imported-end##

April 14 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

It has been my pleasure to have worked with such a fine surgeon. A great loss to our community.##imported-begin##Barbara Hilliard RN##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

To the Guerra Family,Please accept my deepest condolences on the death of Dr. Guerra. He was the kindest doctor and did two major back surgeries so that I could once again be able to walk. When I shook hands with him for the last time I thanked him for getting me back into an upright position! I will never forget his beautiful smile. I am so grateful that he was a part of my life and he will be terribly missed by all of us who had the pleasure of knowing him.With deepest sympathy,Sarah Henderson##imported-begin##Sarah Henderson##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Our Prayers and Thoughts are with you all. Bill & Anne Myers##imported-begin##Bill & Anne Myers##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

The care Dr. Guerra showed our family during my fathers illness in 1989 and my mothers last summer will never be forgotten. He will truly be missed.##imported-begin##Sherry Bankston##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

A good man and friend, and an outstanding surgeon who improved my life with his surgical skills. He will be missed greatly by our community.##imported-begin##Ed Jacobson M. D.##imported-end##

April 14 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

The care and concern I received from Dr. Guerra during my recent surgery and recovery will be forever remembered by me and my entire family. My prayers are with you during this time.##imported-begin##Kathryn Shadowens##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Our Prayers and Thoughts are with you all.##imported-begin##Carl & Gisela Watt##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dr. Guerra was my doctor during four surgeries. I trusted him completely and will always remember his smile and his kindness extended. My prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##Faith Ann Pearson##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Our Prayers are with you at this time of your loss, we hope that you will find comfort thru the LORD at this sorrowful time. Many of my family members and friends, as well as myself, were patients of Dr. Guerra's and will miss him greatly. Love and prayers, Jerry Benson and family##imported-begin##Jerry Benson & family##imported-end##

April 14 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Our Deepest Sympathy to the family...You are in our prayers....##imported-begin##Larry & Dawn Sutton##imported-end##

April 13 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Pet. Longview was surely fortunate to have Ben bring a new discipline to the area. He was a good and kind doctor and I was priveleged to work with him on occasion. We're sad about losing Ben, his happy face and thoughtful way. Wishing you and your family the best at a difficult time. Jerry and Kellyn##imported-begin##Jerry Drayer##imported-end##

April 13 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Pet I was so sorry to hear about Ben. He was a good friend. I always hoped he would stay with me if he ever came to play Polo with Tommie Lee.##imported-begin##Joseph H. Rappeport##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

To the Guerra Family,Sorry to hear about the passing of your love one. He was a great man to everyone that knew him. He will be greatly missed by all his friends and he was such a joy at the hospital he touch a lot of lifes. Your family is in my thoughts in prayers. May God Bless Your family in this time of need.Sincerely Yours,Heather HillGood Sheperd Medical Center##imported-begin##Heather##imported-end##

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Dr. Benjamin by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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