



Dr. Shahrokh Safari

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A memorial service for Dr. Safari will be 10 am Friday, February 1, 2013 at the Rader Funeral Home Chapel in Longview.

Dr. Safari was born in Iran on November 27, 1959. He came to America in January 1979. He went to a Catholic school for undergraduate premed courses at Our Lady of the Lake University. He completed his English-as-a Second Language program and then was able to obtain his Bachelor of Arts degree in premed, biology and chemistry.

In January of 1984 he attended the American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine in Montserrate British Indies.

He married his wife in 1986 and finished medical school in October of 1987.

While he was waiting to pass his United States medical licensure exams he obtained a Master's Degree in Public Health from the University of Texas at Houston School of Public Health. At that time he also worked at the University of Texas at San Antonio on his MS in neurobiology and was a teaching assistant at UT San Antonio as well.

Dr. Safari also worked briefly at the Texas Department of Health in Austin as a junior state epidemiologist once he obtained his master's in public health. In July of 1995 he started his internship at the Austin State Hospital in Austin, Texas. He then transferred to the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at the Parkland Hospital for his residency in psychiatry.

He completed his training by also taking a fellowship in Child and Adolescent Medicine at Children's Medical Center in Dallas in June of 2000.

He next moved to Longview to work for the Sabine Valley Center for Mental Health/Mental Retardation, now called the Community Health Corps. He was required to work in a federally designated underserved area for three years in order to obtain his visa status waiver and to become a permanent United States resident and he selected the Sabine center for his service.



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After completing his required three years for permanent status, he started his private practice. He established a clinic primarily for children in Longview, Marshall, Henderson, Gilmer and Tyler. He had a busy practice, serving many children of all ages and many children on Medicaid.

Dr. Safari is survived by his wife Angela of 26 years and his three children: Roxanne, Sarah, and Ashkahn. The children attend Trinity School of Texas in Longview, there, the Safari's felt they would be exposed to Christianity and could feel free to grow in the faith of their choice.

Dr. Safari was always proud of his Persian/Iranian/American culture. He loved America even before he came to America. He was compassionate and caring to his patients and he understood and cared for poor patients, as well. He was consistent, focused, persistent and extremely hard working.

Dr. Safari was dedicated to his home town here in Longview and he claimed East Texas as his home.

He felt a great compassion for foster children. Please consider contributing to: Buckner Children and Family Services, 110 E. Cotton St., Longview, TX 75601 www.buckner.org – 903-757-9383.



Tribute Wall

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Anonymous posted:

Dr Safari and I had many business and clinical adventures together. As I think about our relationship he used to say, Randy! You are like my older brother!" and I considered him almost family. I miss him and God bless you Dr Safari, thank you for all you did for your patients esp the kids whom you loved so much and for me and my acquaintances. God bless Angela, Roxanne, Sarah, and Ashkahn. And may the family find some small concilitation in that your husband and father was loved by many and dedicated to his family. He talked a lot about those kids and wife of his love. Your Dad and husband was a great man. Be very proud even as you miss him so much. We are all better for knowing him.##imported-begin##Randy Stilley, RN##imported-end##

September 19 at 6:28 AM



Anonymous posted:

Rock on in heaven Dr. Safari. I'm sure someone up there needs your help. Thanks Angela for letting your husband be my friend. If he wasn't my psychiatrist, my life wouldn't be in nearly as good shape as it is. Your children will grow up to be wonderful people.##imported-begin##Alex Goff##imported-end##

September 19 at 6:28 AM



Anonymous posted:

Dr. Safari was a very unique man with so much care and compassion. He will be truly missed. Thoughts and prayers are with his family at this time.##imported-begin##Jackie##imported-end##

September 19 at 6:28 AM



Anonymous posted:

I am just SICK!! I just found out this morning that Dr. Safari had passed. He was/is one of THE sweetest most caring, loving human beings I know. Oh, LORD Im sick to my stomach. God bless you Shahrokh Safarimaryaki, for ever and ever...I really thought/THINK your the greatest. S. Brandon Patching##imported-begin##S.Brandon Patching##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dr. Safari was my child's first psychiatrist and I had the honor of working with him in Winnsboro. He also had a kind word and a smile every time I saw him. Blessings to his family in this great loss. I know the grief will be hard to handle##imported-begin##Norman Potts##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

You gave hope, to the hopeless, strength to the weak, and joy to so many. May your crown be filled in Heaven for the love and guidance you gave here. Lord bless and keep your wife and children. To your coworkers-may they continue to do the work, helping the children and families of East Texas.##imported-begin##Graham Family##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

May Jehovah God comfort and strengthen you during this difficult time. His Son, Jesus Christ promises a future when all those in the memorial tombs will be resurrected to life right here on earth, John 11:11-45, Acts 24:15, when no resident will say: I am sick. Isaiah 12:2 Such a wonderful time ahead.##imported-begin##V E##imported-end##

September 19 at 6:28 AM



Anonymous posted:

Just heard the news. I'm so sorry for the loss of Dr. Safari. He was my son's Dr. He started treating him when we couldn't find any one to help. He will be missed##imported-begin##Rondah##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dr. Safari and I worked together at Wellness Pointe for about 5 years, he as a psychiatrist and I as a psychotherapist. He was a good man to work with, always full of energy with humor and an upbeat attitude. I will miss him and I know many others will also.##imported-begin##David Ross##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dr. Safari was a passionate advocate for his patients and mental health care in general. He will be missed. I am very sorry for your loss and please know that you are in my prayers.##imported-begin##Jill LeGrow##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Deepest sympathy to the family from James Wright, former patient. He will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##Claudia Price##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I was around you as a physician for a short time but your impression, kindness smile, and therapeutic finesse will be remembered by this nurse for ever. you have taught me a lot about this field and appreciate your gentle kindness. best of luck in the next world you have aced this one. you will be missed greatly##imported-begin##audrey earl rn##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

It has been an honor to have worked with Dr. Safari, so many good memories. He will be deeply missed at ETMC BH.##imported-begin##Lee Belcher BSN-RN##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

As always, well said Savanna...##imported-begin##patricia vaughn##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

My Grandson was one of his first patients in Longview. He was the first physician to recognize his diagnosis and start treatment. I will always be extremely thankful for his thoughtfulness at that time. He was a dedicated physician and great diagnostician.##imported-begin##Vivian A. Roland##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

We will miss you Dr. Safari! He was a blessing, always there whenever you need him.##imported-begin##Lauren Patterson##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

He was God sent. He helped my son and I for so many years. He will be missed. Dr Safari was like the dad and the doctor. He started seeing my son when he was 5 in Marshall and he is now 13. He saw him November in Longview. This is very hard to believe. God needed him more. He served his time well here on earth. Rest in Peace.##imported-begin##Stacy Oliver##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Thoughts and prayers for each member of your family. I worked with Dr. Safari when he first chose Longview to establish his permanent US residency. He was a tremendous asset to the children of our communities and always a positive professional influence on his co-workers. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Marilyn Wyman##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dr. Safari he was a great man, I will miss him, he had so much wealth of knowledge, gone too soon, Lord there is so much work to do, who will help out the community of Longview Texas, Lord may his soul rest in peace, and take care of his family and love ones, in Jesus name I pray Amen. Ben Peart.##imported-begin##Ben Peart##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I had the pleasure of working with Dr. Safari my first three years in the pharmaceutical industry. Dr. Safari was a hard working, dedicated, Psychiatrist that treated and served so many in the community. He never turned a patient away from his care and service. He will truly be missed. May he rest in peace.##imported-begin##Patrick Gilmore##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

For the past seven years, we have been so blessed to have known Dr. Safari, he has helped our son so much, & we appreciate everything he's done for us. He was such a caring, dedicated physician, and we will miss him so much, as well everyone who knew him. I am praying for comfort for his wife & children during this time of great sorrow.##imported-begin##The McRuiz family##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I worked with Dr. Safari at the geriatric Intensive Outpatient Psychiatric program IOP in Winnsboro, TX. Although I did not know Dr. Safari for long, he left an impression on me. Coming from another state, I did not know what to expect of psychiatrists in Texas- Dr. Safari was always positive patients adored him! & supportive of me when I truly needed it. Not only will I miss Dr. Safari, but I will be keeping his family in my prayers. Stephanie Hinsdale, LCSW##imported-begin##Stephanie Hinsdale, LCSW##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Will be missed. I appreciated his service for my son, listening and understood what my son was going through and Dr. Safari knew what was needed. The smile and the fast pace man that had spark will not be forgotten.##imported-begin##antranette##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

This community has lost a dedicated physician, a good steward and wonderful family man. Shawn was charismatic, engaging, and endlessly looking for ways to innovate. He was mostly a private person who knew the value of good education. He worked tirelessly, even when he was stricken by his terminal condition. We will miss Shawn. May Angela and the children take strength in family and friends in the days ahead. Our prays go out to the Safari's at a time of great sorrow.##imported-begin##The Gasic Family##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dr. Safari was very genuine and caring and I will miss working with him. My sympathies for his family and friends.##imported-begin##Carrie##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dr. Safari was such a caring and dedicated physician. I am so grateful for all he has done for my family. He talked about his wife and kids a lot! He loved his family so much. He loved life and it showed! I will miss his big smile and very contagious laugh! I am blessed to have known him! I pray for peace and comfort for his wife and kids. May you rest in peace Dr. Safari...##imported-begin##Joni Lindsey##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I worked with Dr.Safari at Pathways Hospital and when that closed I would often cross paths with him at Wellness Pointe. Everytime he saw me he would encourage me to go back to school and obtain my degree. Well Dr. Safari, I haven't seen you in awhile but I am proud to tell you that I am now in my second semester at KC. Thank you for all the support and encouragement that you always gave me and you will be sorely missed. My condolences to your family.##imported-begin##Tamara Fletcher##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dr. Safari always interacted with the individuals under his care and others with great compassion. He was a truly caring physician and he touched so many people's lives in such a positive way. He was always such an upbeat person with a great sense of humor. He will be greatly missed by the individuals he served and by the staff that worked with him here at Morning Light Inc. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends during this time of great loss.##imported-begin##Robert Harms ##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Seven years ago our family came to know Dr Safari. We inherited 2 children with extensive needs. Due to many circumstances it became impossible to find help for them. When the seven year old decided he would rather end his life than face another day ,it was Dr Safari that stepped in when no one else would step up and helped this child. Without his care and compassion for this child this boy would never have been able to remain in our home and may well have taken his own life. Today this young man is an active productive profitable member of society with a good reputation and we give all credit to God and Dr. Safari. He often spoke of his wife and children with our kids. No one will ever take his place. Our prayers and thoughts go out to his family. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Amy Horton##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I will miss my friend and the breakfasts we had at IHOP. I pray for Angela, Roxana, Sarah and Ashkhan at this time of loss and sorrow. God bless you.##imported-begin##Rick Roberts##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I was privileged to work with Dr. Safari for a couple of years. He was energetic, caring, and always smiling. I was saddened to hear of his passing. He will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with this sweet family.##imported-begin##Jennifer Evans##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

What an incredible loss for his family, friends and the community he served with compassion. For the past 8 years I looked forward to my visits every other week to see him. I was always impressed by his positive attitude, his genuine concern for people and his dedication. He will be missed. It was an honor to know him and to call him a friend. Kevin Cooper###imported-begin###Kevin Cooper###imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I am so proud to have called Shawn my friend. I will truly miss hearing his infectious laugh. His energy, passion, and compassion were an inspiration to me. Angela, Roxana, Sarah, and Ashkhan: thank you for sharing your husband and father with us. We are all better for having him in our lives. I love you all, and pray that you will find peace and comfort in the midst of such overwhelming sorrow. ###imported-begin###Donna Phipps Davis###imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Our lives were forever changed for the better because of this great man. His compassion and understanding surpassed that of any other physician we have met. He was a true blessing to our family and we are saddened by his loss. He will be missed very much by his community and patients. May God comfort his family during this time of great need.###imported-begin###Chris and Laurie Shelton###imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dr. Safari will be greatly missed by his "children", friends, and family. I worked with him @ Community Healthcare.###imported-begin###Ruby Allen###imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

His energy and passion will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him. What a blessing he was to our family and our community. We pray peace that passes understanding for his family. Thank you, Dr. Safari, you made the difference and that is all anyone could ask for in a life well lived.##imported-begin##Alexander/Wheeler family##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

We were truly blessed to know Dr.Safari. He was so nice to ever one h was a greatDr.and will be missed.Our prayers are with the family.He was all way anyways oncerned about my nephew and worked with him.He will ne missed by alot of people.##imported-begin##Stacie Reyna Gomez,Miguel Simm##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

We were truly BLESSED to have known Dr. Safari. He was kind, funny and always thoughtful of other individuals. He always was concerned about my son and for this I will always be grateful. He will be missed. Our Prayers and Love go out to his family.##imported-begin##The Ray Family##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dr. Safari was truly a dedicated, caring and intelligent physician who served the East Texas area for so many who were in need. He was in every sense a healer and gave outstanding psychiatric care for those he served. I always hope that his beautiful wife and family will remember how he lived and the good times that they shared together. I will miss my friend.##imported-begin##David Lane Brown##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I am in awe over the passing of Dr. Safari. I had the pleasure of working with him at the Wellness Center and he was truly an amazing man. Family, be encouraged and know that God is too wise of a man to make a mistake. He can do anything but fail. Put your hands in his, trust, believe and everything will be alright.##imported-begin##Jennita LaGrone Carter##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I am at a loss of words over the passing of Dr. Safari. The short time I knew him I saw that he was a wonderful person who was optimistic and witty. He will be missed by many. My prayers go out to his family and friends.##imported-begin##Natasha Day##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I was truly blessed to have known such a great man!! May he rest in peace!! My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. He will be missed..##imported-begin##Jennifer A. Perez##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I can't begin to tell you what this dear sweet man meant to our family over the years. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your children during this sad time. His dedication to our community was unsurpassed and his compassion for my son was irreplaceable. He will be missed by so many. Blessings.##imported-begin##The Thomas Family##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

A man that lived to serve others, will be go greatly missed. He is a huge part of our community. The best partner I could ever have had. Always praying and remembering him and his family. Melissa Huston LMSW##imported-begin##Melissa Huston LMSW##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. You and your beautiful family will be in my prayers during this time.##imported-begin##Stacy Sapp##imported-end##

September 19 at 6:28 AM



Anonymous posted:

I cannot begin to say how sorry I am for your loss. My family will be praying for yours. He has helped us tremendously and will be greatly missed!##imported-begin##Linda Ferguson##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

He was a very kind hearted man, was always there to help my children with their needs he will truly be missed, prayers going out to his family##imported-begin##Vickey Harris##imported-end##

September 19 at 6:28 AM



Anonymous posted:

I had the honor and pleasure of working with one of the most knowledgeable psychiatrist in East Texas for over 4 years. He touched the lives of many. May he rest in peace. He will be missed dearly. Your family will forever be in my prayers. ##imported-begin##Savanna Lewis##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Where would we be if we did not have Dr. Safari in our life over the beginning years of my sons needs. He was instrumental in guiding me as a parent and helping my child.##imported-begin##Miranda Jones##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

What a dear sweet man- he will be missed dearly. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. ##imported-begin##Hollie L. Jones##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Prayers for the family...Dr Safari influenced my life greatly when I was a graduate nurse..I am truly honored to have known him! Stacy Scruggs, RN##imported-begin##Stacy Scruggs##imported-end##

September 19 at 6:28 AM



Anonymous posted:

Prayers for all Dr. Safari's family and friends. Connie Kitchen##imported-begin##Connie Brannon Kitchen##imported-end##

September 19 at 6:28 AM



Anonymous posted:

We will miss Dr. Safari and his kindness and compassion for the people in our company he helped to support, his last visit a couple of weeks ago with us went very well and we were happy to see his smile and hear his laugh. We are deeply saddened for his family at home and thru his work, the employees of American Habilitation Services, Inc.##imported-begin##Teresa Gray-Watts##imported-end##

September 19 at 6:28 AM



Anonymous posted:

He saved my life. I have terrible OCD and without him I would've been a wreck. He always looked out for me, since I first saw him as a kid at about 13 to now at 24. He'll be missed. God bless you Dr. Safari.##imported-begin##Alex Goff##imported-end##

February 10 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Rest in peace, dear man. Thank you for you smiles and your kindness to my daughters. My heart goes out to your son and wife. Deepest sympathies.##imported-begin##Janette Malecha##imported-end##

February 3 at 7:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Dr. Sarari has treated my mom for about 3 years now. He was such a caring and wonderful person and DR. He will be dearly missed. He had discussed his Christianity with my mom therefore I find peace in my believe that God is calling his children home. May God be with the family and help them to find comfort.##imported-begin##Mary P Cunningham / Lois Oney##imported-end##

January 30 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I'm devastated....I know he is in a better place.. But I can't help being selfish wishing he was still here. I knew whenever my family or I needed him he was THERE. Thank you Dr. Safari and may God keep your beautiful family.##imported-begin##NikaLea##imported-end##

January 29 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

May you rest in peace Dr. Safari, and prayers that God comfort your family during this time of great loss.##imported-begin##Patricia Vaughn##imported-end##

January 29 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I had pleasure of working with Dr. Safari at Hospital and in Home Health. He was always willing to help out in any situation. I am honored to have worked along side him in the Pyschiatric Field. My prayers are with your family. ##imported-begin##Tammy Brownlow RN##imported-end##

January 29 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

What a caring, kind man Dr. Safari was. I am so thankful for knowing him. He will be missed. Longview was very fortunate to have him. Prayers for his family and friends.##imported-begin##Joni Lindsey##imported-end##

January 29 at 7:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Thank you for your friendship, your kindness, your heart. You are a strong part of who I have become as a professional. I will miss our talks greatly. Thank you for being so caring for others and teaching me that passion. I will forever remember you with every difficult patient .: much love and respect,
Melissa Huston LMSW###imported-begin###Melissa Huston LMSW###imported-end##

January 29 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I will never forget how you encouraged me to pursue my education in counseling and how your love for serving people inspired me to continue in my line of work. Thank you for being a blessing to the individuals that we support and their families. You will be greatly missed.Yulonda Boyd,
AdministratorAmerican Habilitation Services###imported-begin###Yulonda Boyd###imported-end##

January 29 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I had the privilege of being employed under Dr. Safari. His favorite phrase to me was, "I know you have a fire in your belly Jackie"! This was an individual who was dedicated to the health and well being of the person. Integrity, character, dedication, and empathic manner was his spiritual dress each day and his smile was unbeatable. There are not enough positive words in the English language to express my feelings about Dr. Safari so I will close with: "To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord". You will be truly missed and much or more as you were loved and adored.With Regards,Jacqueline Gardner, Behavioral Hospital of Longview###imported-begin###Jacqueline Gardner###imported-end##

January 28 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

It beaks my heart this evening to hear of Dr. Safari passing! I truly believe I wouldn't be where I am today if I had not been introduced to this great man. I thank the Lord everyday. His family and friends will be in my thoughts and prayers!###imported-begin###Cindy rivers###imported-end##

January 28 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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