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## **Dr. Michael A. Santer, Jr. Retires From Parkersburg Cardiology Associates, Inc.**

Michael A. Santer Jr., MD, board certified in Internal Medicine and Cardiovascular Disease with Parkersburg Cardiology Associates Inc., and a native of Parkersburg, announces his retirement after 40 years of practice. Dr. Santer graduated from Parkersburg Catholic High School, Wheeling Jesuit University and Georgetown University School of Medicine. After completing his internship and residency in Internal Medicine at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, he proudly served his country during the Vietnam War as a Navy doctor assigned to the Marine Corps. After a Fellowship in Cardiology at Georgetown at University Hospital in Washington DC, he opened his cardiology practice in Parkersburg in 1972.

Dr. Santer has made immeasurable contributions to health care, cardiology and this community over the course of his career. He was a founding member of Parkersburg Cardiology Associates Inc., where his vision and leadership were instrumental in its growth and success. He worked tirelessly to help bring cardiac catheterization, coronary intervention and coronary artery bypass surgery to the Mid Ohio Valley.

He served on multiple hospital committees and was a member of the Board of Trustees of St. Joseph's Hospital from 2007-2010. He is a Clinical Professor of Medicine in Cardiology at West Virginia University Medical Center. Over the course of his career he has been involved with many teaching endeavors including the Annual Cardiology Teaching Day in Parkersburg, held in conjunction with the Cardiology faculty at WVU, as well as a weekly Cardiology Conference for local physicians, nurses, medical students and other healthcare professionals.

Dr. Santer is past president of the Parkersburg Catholic Schools Foundation, has participated in a medical mission to Honduras and has volunteered many years of service to the Good Samaritan Clinic. He is a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology, a member of the American Heart Association, the American Medical Association, the West Virginia State Medical Association and is a member and past president of the Parkersburg Academy of Medicine.

Dr. Santer has been graciously supported over the years by his wife, Andrea. They are the proud parents of four children and seven grandchildren. Dr. Santer is grateful to all of his patients who over the years have entrusted their care to him, along with his partners, staff, colleagues and hospital staff and administration who have helped make the past 40 years such a rewarding experience.



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