

David Schumaker

During the State Football Championship game at Ohio Stadium in November of 1984, an injured St. Francis player was down near the Hoover sidelines. As the radio announcers reported, the Hoover team doc immediately went onto the field to render aid. That doctor was David Schumaker and his extended family in Northwest Ohio was very proud.

Dave was born in the rural community of Oregon, Ohio, in September of 1949. He and his two brothers spent time in childhood working on their grandfather's farm, the neighbor's farm, and in their father's large garden. He attended Clay High School where he ran track, played basketball, and played in the band. He graduated in 1967.

After high school, Dave attended Capital University where he majored in biological science. He was a member of Alpha Phi Omega, a service fraternity. One of the service

projects they performed was to help new freshmen students move in. It was there that he met his future wife, Kathy. Dave graduated Magna cum Laude in 1971. After graduating, Dave stayed in the Columbus area and graduated cum Laude from the Ohio State Medical School in 1974. He did his internship and residency training at the Ohio State University Hospitals and was president of Alpha Omega Alpha, a national honorary medical fraternity.

In 1977, Dave joined the North Canton Medical Clinic at the corner of Whipple and Glenwood in North Canton. He was appointed to the staff of Aultman Hospital and served until his retirement in 2021. A few years after joining his practice, an older colleague, Dr. Shipley, persuaded Dave to join him as a team doctor for the Hoover football team – he was not difficult to persuade. He spent over 30 years working with the team.

In addition to his work, Dave has been active in the community. His medical group has provided care for the

Hartville Migrant Center and for Canton Metropolitan Housing. He is a member of the Sierra Club and has participated in numerous work projects in the national parks and wilderness areas of Alaska, Idaho, and Colorado. He attends St. Jacob's Lutheran Church and chairs the Good News Committee.

Dave and Kathy have two daughters – Laura and Amy – and five grandsons. Dave enjoys fishing, hunting, and gardening. He travels and enjoys hiking and backpacking throughout the United States. Most especially, Dave enjoys spending time with his grandsons.

Dave Schumaker has been devoted to the health of our community. It is with much esteem that the North Canton Alumni Association receives Dr. David Schumaker into its Hall of Distinction.