

WEINSIER, DR. ROLAND LOUIS, age 60, passed away on November 27, 2002. Dr. Weinsier was a devoted husband for 35 years to his wife Arlene, and a loving father to his three children, David, Steven and Nancy. He was an internationally recognized nutritionist and excelled as a researcher, teacher, mentor, physician, and administrator at UAB for 27 years. He was born in Jacksonville, Florida and raised in Orlando. Dr. Weinsier received his medical degree from the University of Florida. He completed his internship and residency at the University of Virginia and received his nutrition training at Harvard University where he earned a Masters and a Doctoral degree in Public Health. After his medical training was completed in Boston, he served his country as a Major in the United States Air Force in San Antonio, Texas. In 1975, he joined UAB as an assistant Professor of Medicine and Nutrition. In 1977 he became director of the division of clinical nutrition in the newly formed Department of Nutrition Sciences. For 11 years he served as the chairman of that department succeeding the late Dr. Ted Butterworth, his beloved mentor. He became director of UAB's Clinical Nutrition Research Center in 1999. Under his leadership, the Department of Nutrition Sciences at UAB grew and was recently rated 2nd in the nation in a U.S. News and World Report poll. In order to recognize and celebrate the monumental contributions Dr. Weinsier made to nutrition science, education, and clinical practice, a one-day symposium was held in his honor on November 22, 2002 at UAB. An international group of renowned physicians and scientists who had collaborated with Dr. Weinsier through the years made scientific presentations and celebrated his life's work. He was an avid gardener, photographer, and accomplished pianist. He was best known for his kindness and generosity. Dr. Weinsier is survived by his wife Arlene Prince Weinsier, his sons, David and Steven Weinsier, his daughter, Nancy Celia-Rose Kujawinski, his brothers, Richard and Philip Weinsier, his sister Lynn Wideman, his father, Dr. Stanley Weinsier and his granddaughter, Lauren Taylor Weinsier. A memorial service will be held at Temple EmanuEl at 3:00pm on Monday, December 2nd. In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorials be directed to the UAB Department of Nutrition Sciences: Roland Weinsier Memorial Fund, c/o Ms. Cathleen Erwin, UAB School of Health Related Professions, 1530 3rd Avenue South, Webb 616, Birmingham, AL 35294-3360

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