



John Elton Higgins

January 30, 1925 - February 24, 2021

John Elton Higgins passed away at his home surrounded by his family in Venice, Florida on February 24, 2021. Dr. Higgins was born January 30, 1925 in Miscouche, Prince Edward Island, Canada. He attended Acadia University, flew for RAF in WWII, and graduated from Dalhousie Medical School in 1952.

Elton married Joline Lee Petersen in 1948. After he graduated from Medical School, Elton and Joline moved to Brooklyn, Nova Scotia where Elton opened up a family practice. Running a family practice in rural Nova Scotia proved to be difficult financially and the couple move to Niagara Falls, Ontario. They eventually settled in Lewiston, New York, where Elton became the Chief of Anesthesia at the Niagara Falls Memorial Medical Center.

Elton and Joline moved to Venice, Florida in 1984 where they enjoyed thirty years of retirement together.

Elton is survived by three sons – Mark, Michael, and Peter. He was predeceased by a son, James, and his beloved wife, Joline.

Elton will always be remembered by his gentle nature, great smile and infectious laughter. For years he would go down to the Bahamas and provide free medical care on a remote island. To this day, the Islanders speak of him with fondness.