Longtime Newcomb doctor dies

Newcomb - Dr. Otto Leazer, 78, died Monday, Jan. 15, 1990, at the CVPH Medical Center in Plattsburgh. He had been in failing health since January in 1990, from one of two heart attacks he suffered in 1986.

Dr. Leazer was born Nov. 30, 1911, in Plattsburgh to the late David H. and Anna (Koziel) Leazer. He graduated from Plattsburgh High School and received a bachelor's degree and medical degree from the University of Rochester in 1935 and 1939, respectively.

Dr. Leazer served in the U.S. Navy as an officer during World War II and returned to practice medicine in Plattsburgh in 1946. He continued to practice medicine in Newcomb for 23 years, retiring in January 1990, and was a member of the Associated Physicians of Newcomb in 1989.

Dr. Leazer was married to the former Frances Quinlan of Ottawa, 82, on May 15, 1946, in Plattsburgh, and they had a son, Peter Lazar of Malone, Airs. Michael (Martha) Brady of Westminster, and two daughters, Mrs. Michael (Janie) Lee of Waterville, Maine; and Mrs. Joseph (Beverly) Robinson of Clearwater, Fla.

Dr. Leazer was a member of the St. Mary of the Mountains Catholic Church in Newcomb, the Newcomb Kiwanis Club, the Plattsburgh Community Hospital Association, and the Plattsburgh Professional Association. He was also a member of the William Nolan Post 405 of the American Legion.

Dr. Leazer's body was cremated and the ashes will be interred in the family plot at St. Mary's Cemetery in Newcomb where the service will be held at 11 a.m. today.

Memorial donations may be made to the Newcomb Volunteer Fire Department, the Newcomb Volunteer Ambulance Corps, the Newcomb Community Hospital, or the Associated Physicians of Newcomb.

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