

## **GERARD A. ENGH, MD**

---

Known and loved by all, Gerard Engh, MD, “Dr Jerry”, devoted his career to the advancement of knee arthroplasty through innovative research. He disseminated the information learned through his research via hundreds of publications, that touted surgical successes but also did not shy away from shortcomings. When things went wrong, Dr. Jerry had the courage to carefully explain how and why. His commitment to advancing knee arthroplasty knowledge is exhibited through his co-founding of the Anderson Orthopedic Research Institute (AORI) with his brother Charlie. His generosity to AORI allowed it to grow and has ensured that it will continue to thrive for generations to come.

Dr. Jerry was also a pioneer in the training of fellows. He trained 100+ fellows over his years of practice. Many of these surgeons view Dr. Jerry as one of the greatest influencers in their arthroplasty training, but even more importantly, they view him as a friend. His kindness and mentorship of his trainees never flagged. He was a dedicated teacher. His presentation style, which paired innovative ideas with wry humor, commanded an audience and led those listening to remember his teachings. His kindness and generosity knew no bounds until he was on the tennis court or golf course, where his competitive spirit shone through, whether you were his peer or his mentee.

Towards the end of his career, Dr. Jerry channeled his energies into giving back to less fortunate populations of patients through Operation Walk. The Virginia chapter of Operation Walk has done 1000+ TJA's in numerous underserved countries. This chapter continues to this day because of Dr. Jerry's efforts.

Dr. Jerry's professional accomplishments rank second only to his dedication to his wife, the much beloved Patty Engh, and his family. Dr. Jerry is now enjoying retirement on his Virginia farm, surrounded by the wife, kids and grandkids whom he adores. He recently celebrated his 55th wedding anniversary to Patty with a hole in one!

/Written by William G. Hamilton, MD/

# # #