



Dr. Murray Greenspan

November 30, 1936 - August 7, 2014

Murray Greenspan passed away on August 7 at his home in Swannanoa. Murray was born 11/30/1936 in Brooklyn, New York to David and Martha Greenspan. He graduated from Queens College and in 1971 married the great love of his life, Carol. With their newly-combined family, Murray and Carol became back-to-the-landers in upstate New York. At age 41 Murray felt the call to become a chiropractor and the family moved to Marietta, Georgia. After graduating from Life Chiropractic College in 1981, Murray and family settled in Swannanoa, NC and opened Greenspan Chiropractic in Black Mountain. He continued to practice until his death.

Murray was a true Renaissance man of many passions, including wood turning, travelling, cycling, and hiking. He and Carol were active members of Jubilee! and volunteered for many non-profits in the community. He was also member of two men's groups which brought him great joy. Murray's love of life and exuberance made him the pivotal member of his family and his community. Murray's infectious laugh and giant, gentle hands will be sorely missed by his family, friends and patients.

Murray was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Lee Cohen and his first wife Leah Grandis Coffey. He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Carol Hoefener Greenspan, his brother Ralph Greenspan (Marilyn) of New York, his sisters Fran Corrado and Fay Walker (Cliff) of Florida; his children Michelle Greenspan (Karen Lockee) of Salem, SC, Kevin Greenspan (Lisa) of Black Mountain, NC, Steve Greenspan of Swannanoa, NC, Phyllis Hinson of

Chattanooga, TN, Sue Lynch (Steve) of Rhode Island and David Greenspan (Leah Broker) of Asheville, NC; his grandchildren Adam and Laurel Greenspan; Stephen, Katie and Hannah Lynch; Jonathan (Ann), Michael (Barbara), James (Angela), Matthew, Rachel and Sarah Hinson; and Olivia Greenspan. A celebration of his life will be held Saturday, August 23, 2014 beginning at 12:00pm at Jubilee Church, 46 Wall Street, Asheville, NC 28801 with Minister Howard Hanger presiding. In lieu of flowers or gifts, please consider donations to The Jubilee! Community Compassion Fund, 46 Wall Street, Asheville, NC 28801.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG **23**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Jubilee! Community Church
46 Wall Street
Asheville, NC 28801

Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Murray Greenspan*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *Murray and I were classmates. Murray helped build(With his bare hands) the local health food coop in Marietta Ga. Me and Victor Guerra, Ted Anderson, Chip Onthank ,Alan Leibowitz, Victoria Moore, Stuart Kaplan, Murrays wife Carol and so many other students from (Life Chiropractic College) used to have amazing vegetarian pot luck dinners at Murrays house. We were all like one big family. Murray was about 15 years older than we were, but Murray was as smart as a whip. I visited him at his office in Black Mountain back in 1982, it was a beautiful office. Im sure Murray had a great life out in the mountains of NC because Ghee was smooth as butter. I hope Murray and Alan Leibowitz are hanging out together in heaven. Alan Loved Murray. When Alan was hanging out at Murrays house you could feel it was family. I used to go to study groups at Murrays house with Alan, and Chip.God Bless my old friend & Classmate Murray- Ghee.*



Steve DC Grizz - November 11, 2014 at 12:26 AM

BD

“ Carol and Family, I will always remember when you and Murray came to my office. I could feel your love and caring for each other. Your and Murray's happiness of life was exuberant and all who came in contact with you could feel your love for each other. Murray said to me once, why would you want to have a bad day. He brightened everyone's day with his professional skill, a smile, or a kind word. The world was better because of Murray. Bob Dickey

bob dickey - August 21, 2014 at 06:46 PM

DG

“ Dear Carol, Michelle, Kevin and David,

I'm so very sorry for the loss of your husband and father. He was the greatest man and Chiropractor whom I ever met and got to know. He was gracious, wise beyond his time, and full of love. He touched the heart and souls of many and will be fondly remember. May God be with your family.
Diana Gricus and Kimberly Mynheir



diana gricus - August 21, 2014 at 10:13 AM

DH

“ Kevin and Michelle, I am sorry to hear of the passing of your Dad. The picture of him laughing is how I remember him. He was impressive and loved you guys very much. He was so proud of you both. I am honored to have met him and he will be missed. Hug Carol and you all are in our thoughts and prayers.

Dr. Greg Huskey - August 19, 2014 at 09:28 PM

MT

“ This past Monday at our regular meeting, the guys from Murray's men's group spent the two hours telling stories and sharing with each other some of the things we remember about our time with him. We miss him so much and remember him soooo fondly.



Mark Threlkeld - August 19, 2014 at 02:51 PM

SL

“ Carol, you are in my thoughts. May the love that surrounds you and your family comfort and sustain you. With deepest sympathy, Sherry Luft

Sherry Luft - August 18, 2014 at 07:07 PM

MT

“ As a member of Murray's OLLI men's group, please know that you are all in our prayers. He brought so much love and light into the world! His smile lit up our meetings.

Mark Threlkeld

Mark Threlkeld - August 18, 2014 at 05:03 PM

AN

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Although, I do not know your family personally, I would like to share some encouraging thoughts from the Bible. The Bible provides comfort during these difficult times. Revelation 21:3-4 states, And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away. Very soon now, we will never experience losing our loved ones in death and we will be able to see them again once they resurrected as per John 5:28-29. May these words give you a new hope.

Ana - August 18, 2014 at 01:38 PM

JF

“ Carol, David, Kevin and Michele.....so so sorry for your loss. Your husband (father) was one of a kind, always full of life and compassion. He will be missed by so many and I know there is an emptiness for all of you. Catherine and I will keep all of you in our thoughts during this difficult time.....much love to all of you. Murray enriched my life and many others too.....

John and Catherine Faherty - August 18, 2014 at 11:21 AM

BF

“ David and family, We are so sorry for your loss. Holding you in our thoughts and prayers. Bambi and Dru Favali

B Favali - August 14, 2014 at 05:29 PM

HF

“ Carol and family, I was so saddened to hear of Murray's sudden death. Though I hadn't see him for awhile, I still picture nights dancing at McDibb's some of my favorite memories. Murray was a larger than life presence here and he left a lasting mark on so many of us. My heart and thoughts are with you.
Hedy Fischer

Hedy Fischer - August 14, 2014 at 03:01 PM

SB

“ Carol & Family: Murray was such a wonderful man! Working with him through Homeward Bound / Room in the Inn was always a joy. The adoration between Carol and Murray was ever present and warmed my heart. Murray was a healer in many ways. I know that he will be missed by all of you. He will also be missed by his community. My prayers and love are with you. Sharon Blythe, Program Director, Room in the Inn

Sharon Blythe - August 13, 2014 at 09:34 AM

TN

“ WE WERE SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR LOSS. MAY GOD BE WITH YOU ALL IN THIS TIME OF NEED. WE SEE DAVID GREENSPAN. GOD BLESS YOU ALL. TERESA NICHOLSON AND TAMMY SEAY.

TERESA NICHOLSON - August 12, 2014 at 01:28 PM

DE

“ To the Greenspan family: Dr. Murray was my 1st chiropractor 25 years ago. He made me aware of what he could do for me and I am forever thankful. After moving to Asheville several years ago, I became a patient of Michelle's. The Greenspan family has meant a lot to me. My heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Darleen Erickson

Darleen Erickson - August 12, 2014 at 12:05 PM

MW

“ Kevin & family,

Carl and I are so saddened to hear the loss of your wonderful dad. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Marilyn Walker-

Marilyn Walker - August 12, 2014 at 10:16 AM

JS

“ Murray's good humor, warm heart and caring concern were just part of the magic that he brought to our men's group discussions. His clear-eyed wisdom gained from a full life well lived made us all grateful for his presence and participation. He was a part of us that we will deeply miss. John Sterling

John Sterling - August 11, 2014 at 05:47 PM

LR

“ Murray saved my life by taking me seriously when I told him something was wrong with my right arm and other doctors could find nothing wrong. Murray worked with me for awhile, then referred me to a neurologist, who later diagnosed myasthenia gravis. I loved him....and Carol.....and David so very much through my association with them at Carver Optional School. Please accept my condolences, family.....Murray will be greatly missed.

Lynda Robinson

Lynda Robinson - August 11, 2014 at 05:10 PM

BB

“ For all of us in Murray's OLLI men's group, this is an unfathomable loss. To us, Murray represented the apotheosis of strength and vitality. He was both artist and outdoorsman. He had the soul of a poet, the mind of a scholar, and the heart of a warrior. His love of life, of his friends, and of his family were his hallmark and his legacy.

Our group and our lives are forever diminished.

Buck Bragg

Buck Bragg - August 11, 2014 at 12:22 PM

SA

“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Dave (JR) and Sylvia (Norton) Anders.

Sylvia Norton Anders - August 11, 2014 at 12:03 PM

CW

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Murray was such a strong, and gentle soul who helped so many of us. Your family is so genuine and give such care to your patients. We are so thankful for you and your family. Always cherish the precious memories and those memories will keep him always close to your heart. Our prayers and thoughts to all over these very hard upcoming days. God will see you through and will always be at your side.

Carol and Dennis Watson

Carol Watson - August 10, 2014 at 08:44 PM

CE

“ We are so sorry for your loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Chuck & Earlene Pittman

Chuck & Earlene - August 10, 2014 at 02:37 PM

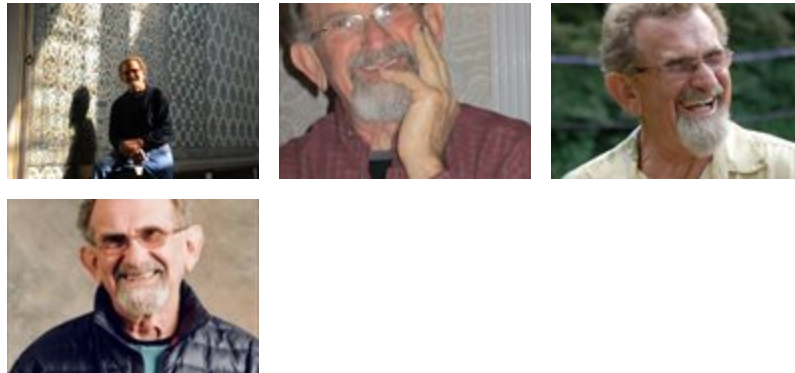
SD

“ Dr Greenspan was an amazing chiropractor. He help me when I was carrying my second child without his help I truly believe I wouldnt been able to had my precious gift. He will be missed god blessing to the family

Shelly Dalton - August 10, 2014 at 01:19 PM



“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



Morris Funeral Home - August 10, 2014 at 01:01 PM

LB

“ Dear Carol, David and Family,
We feel so blessed that we knew this gentle giant. We were so impressed with his gratefulness to our Heavenly Father and appreciation for all of His goodness in this beautiful world. His smile will live forever in all of our hearts.
May your wonderful memories of life with him sustain you in your sorrow.
Mike and Loretta Broker

Loretta Broker - August 09, 2014 at 12:49 PM

KS

Our sincere condolences to a wonderful man that has a beautiful spirit. Anytime we crossed paths he was always had a tender heart and a huge smile that would last for hours Matter of fact, at the Ingles maybe a month ago.. His sons, Kevin and David are amazing due in part to their father. All three of them have helped me to a healthier life. Shocked about his passing. ..To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die. Danny and Kathy Stilwell

k stilwell - August 10, 2014 at 05:01 PM

LP

I always called him the man with the magic hands. He helped me and my children through many physical problems. I know you will miss him terribly Carol. My prayers are with you for comfort in the coming days.
Larry Porter

Larry Porter - August 11, 2014 at 07:33 AM

LE

I am so sad that this vibrant, caring soul is no longer among us. When Murray opened his office in the early 80's I went to him with neck pain that had gone on for months. One visit and no more pain. My sympathy to his family and friends, such a loss.
Lorraine Edwards

Lorraine Edwards - August 11, 2014 at 08:53 PM