



## Dr. Amante N. DeCastro MD

November 29, 2023

In Memoriam: Dr. Amante DeCastro, MD

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Dr. Amante N. DeCastro of Carneys Point, NJ, a beloved member of the community and a dedicated physician who touched the lives of many. Dr. DeCastro was born in Manila on August 1, 1942. He left an indelible mark on all those he met.

Dr. DeCastro was a pillar of the medical community, devoting his life to the field of obstetrics and gynecology. He excelled in his studies and graduated from medical school at the age of 21. He went on to do his fellowship in Endocrinology and Infertility in New York. For many years, he proudly served as a longtime Chief of Obstetrics at Salem Memorial Hospital, where he delivered over 20,000 babies throughout his illustrious career.

Beyond his medical practice, Dr. DeCastro was a dedicated community leader. He contributed his time and expertise to various organizations. Dr. DeCastro also served as a valued board member at Salem Community College, Salem Memorial Hospital, and Salem County Vocational Technical School. His passion for education and commitment to the betterment of his community were evident in his tireless efforts.

A proud Rotarian, Dr. DeCastro was an active member of the local Rotary Club. He embodied the organization's motto of "Service Above Self." His contributions to community service initiatives left an enduring legacy, and his kindness and compassion will be remembered by all.

Dr. DeCastro is survived by his loving wife, Lynn DeCastro, and their children,

Melissa (Nicholas Sommer) and Amante. He was also a cherished grandfather to Amante DeCastro and Charles and James Sommer. He is also survived by siblings Donald DeCastro, Caloy de Castro and Perlas Johr as well as numerous nieces, nephews and many loving relatives. In addition to his parents, Juan & Purificacion DeCastro, he was predeceased by two brothers, Thomas and Manuel. His family was the source of great joy and pride throughout his life, and his memory will live on in the hearts of those he held dear.

A visitation to celebrate Dr. Amante DeCastro's life will be held at the Adams Funeral Home, 64 Broad Street, Woodstown, New Jersey 08098, on Tuesday, December 5, 2023 from 6:30pm - 8:30pm and Wednesday, December 6, 2023 from 9:30am - 10:30am at St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish, 369 Georgetown Road, Carney's Point, New Jersey 08069, with mass to follow at 11am. Interment will take place at Lawnside Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made to the Dr. Amante N. DeCastro Scholarship at Salem County Vo-Tech School 880 Route 45, Woodstown NJ 08098 in his honor.

The community has lost a compassionate healer, a devoted community leader, and a beloved family man. Dr. Amante DeCastro's legacy of service and care will forever be remembered with gratitude and admiration.

# Cemetery Details

## Lawnside Cemetery

896 NJ-45  
Woodstown, NJ 08098-2800  
(856) 769-2626

# Previous Events

## Viewing

DEC 5. 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM (ET)

Adams Funeral Home  
64 Broad St.  
Woodstown, NJ 08098  
adamsfuneralhome@comcast.net

## Viewing

DEC 6. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St Gabriel the Archangle Parish  
369 Georgetown Road  
Carneys Point, NJ 08069

## Mass

DEC 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

St Gabriel the Archangle Parish  
369 Georgetown Road  
Carneys Point, NJ 08069



# Tribute Wall

AW

“ I just found out that Dr. De Castro had passed away back in November. I have had quite a few admissions to the hospital since last year and was unaware. His office called me regarding what to do with my records dating to way back in the 1970's when I started with him. That is how I found out.

*I would like to say to his wife and family that you all were given a privilege of being connected to him. He loved you all and spoke kindly every time I saw him for appointments. I still cannot believe he is gone. He has put in his time and given everyone all his love. May he rest in peace. He will be missed.*

*Aleta Wojculewski*

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**Aleta Wojculewski** - March 24, 2024 at 07:24 AM

CM

*Oh nooo! I am just finding out about Dr.Decastro  
He was so caring understanding and a very concerned and considerate man!  
May he continue to rest in peace  
My sincere condolences to his family and staff*

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**Cynthia Martin** - June 03, 2025 at 12:17 PM

SN

“ So sorry for your loss, I was just informed of the passing of one of the greatest Dr's there was. He was my Dr for over forty five years. He so loved his family and would always talk about them. I remember my last visit to him his daughter in law bringing the grandchildren in the back door to visit with him while I was there. He was so happy to see them. We will all miss him very much. My Sincere Condolences to all of you.  
Sarah.N



Sarah N - February 24, 2024 at 09:18 AM

SS

“ RIP Dr Decastro. He was my OB-GYN for years. He delivered my first child! He was such a nice and compassionate man. He will be missed.

Sharon Surrency - February 23, 2024 at 07:26 PM

MR

“ The TAWAG & RIVERA FAMILY of MN ...  
Lit a candle in memory of Amante DeCastro (Teng-Teng we called him back home in the Philippines) ETERNAL PEACE 🙏

Maria Rivera - December 08, 2023 at 04:46 PM

CW

“ RIP Dr DeCastro, you delivered my 3 boys,  
you will be missed



Cheryl Foster Williams - December 08, 2023 at 08:14 AM

DB

“ *Drs Arthur & Amelia Balcita  
Dr de Castro was my classmate at University of Santo Tomas ,  
Manila Philippines College of Medicine & Surgery for 5 years, Class  
'65. We spent 1964-65 at North General Hospital during our  
Internship, then most of our class of 450 decided to pursue further  
medical training here in US. Rest in peace, my good friend “Teng” .  
Sincere condolences to his family.*

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**Drs Arthur & Amelia Balcita** - December 06, 2023 at 12:11 PM

SR

“ *Rest in peace Dr. Decastro  
Thank you for your professionalism and  
kindness as my doctor and co-worker over  
the years. My deepest sympathies to his  
Family. You will be missed.*



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**Susan Remster** - December 05, 2023 at 06:55 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the  
family of Dr. Amante N. DeCastro MD.*



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December 04, 2023 at 10:40 PM

CW

“ Sending my deepest condolences to the family, he will be surely missed,  
He delivered most of my babies, and I last saw him in Delaware at Cafe Napoli.  
I had a good experience with him being my OBGYN, :Love you much Dr DeCastro 🥰

Caroline Williams - December 04, 2023 at 08:28 PM

ON

I am sending my deepest condolences to the family, he will surely be missed, he saved my life and I was very thankful for that. I loved him and no one could say anything bad about him around me or they would have to fight. Best OBGYN I ever had. Love you much Dr. Decastro.

Octavia Nichols - May 19, 2024 at 12:36 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Amante N. DeCastro MD.



December 04, 2023 at 04:44 PM

SA

“ Sylvie and Tarak AKROUT purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dr. Amante N. DeCastro MD.



Sylvie and Tarak AKROUT - December 04, 2023 at 02:59 PM

AL

“ Azieb & Quilla Lofton purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dr. Amante N. DeCastro MD.



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**Azieb & Quilla Lofton** - December 04, 2023 at 01:05 PM

AL

“ Azieb & Quilla Lofton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Amante N. DeCastro MD.

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**Azieb & Quilla Lofton** - December 04, 2023 at 01:05 PM

LB

“ My family was privileged to be his neighbor. My father Joseph Rathbone worked part time for his family for year's and he and his wife Lynn was two of the nicest people I knew and felt blessed to have grown up with them in our lives. My condolences to his family. He will be missed. RIP

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**Lori Rathbone Beatty** - December 04, 2023 at 12:33 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Amante N. DeCastro MD.



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December 04, 2023 at 12:22 PM

GH

“ Dr. DeCastro was a kind and caring person his bedside manners were over the Top. Many Dr's. could have learned from him what a Dr. really means., I work at Salem Community College. At graduation ceremony when the board members walked in he always stepped out of line and talked with me, they waited for him. Where ever I would see him he always made time. Special memories

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**Gladys Hutchings** - December 04, 2023 at 10:16 AM

DC

“ RIP Dr D u delivered all 3 of my boy's thank u for all you've done and u will be missed RIP

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**Donna Crumb** - December 03, 2023 at 11:14 PM

SS

“ RIP I was one of his first patients, he delivered all three of my children, always a professional great person. Condolences to his family.

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**Sharon Sunderland** - December 03, 2023 at 10:59 PM

CT

“ Dr. DeCastro was definitely one of a kind . Such a kind , loving Dr whose biggest joy was delivering babies and giving the mommas the best , quality care he could . What a tremendous loss . As a first time mom, at 16 , he was the most gentle , loving man, he delivered all 3 of my babies and remained my GYN all my life . He will be deeply missed by many , many patients . My sincere condolences to his family .

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**crystal m thomas** - December 03, 2023 at 09:14 PM

SG

“ So very sad. Dr. DeCastro was a gentle soul and a loved and trusted person. He was always willing to help anyone and loved his family dearly. I will miss him.

Shanna Gowen - December 03, 2023 at 07:28 PM



“ This was quite a shock, I only have kind words for the wonderful Dr.DeCastro who saved my life. My thoughts and prayers are with your family and friends.

Michelle Lugar Carter - December 03, 2023 at 06:57 PM

CA

“ carol lit a candle in memory of Amante DeCastro



carol - December 03, 2023 at 04:18 PM

CF

“ Christine & John Sommer and Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Dr. Amante N. DeCastro MD.



Christine & John Sommer and Family - December 03, 2023 at 04:11 PM

DP

“ I was so fortunate to have had him for a doctor over 40 years. He was a kind and compassionate person. He will be missed by so many. My heartfelt condolences to his family. Truly, Dianna J. Paleschic

Dianna J. Paleschic - December 03, 2023 at 02:59 PM

DL

“ So very sad to hear of the passing of Dr. DeCastro. He was my ob/gyn for many years and delivered my son 45 years ago. He was a great Dr. Patient, compassionate and very devoted to his patients and his community. I feel privileged that he settled in Salem County. If anyone was meant for the calling of a physician, it was Dr. DeCastro. My condolences go out to the family. He will be sadly missed.



D. Lynne Little

D Lynne Little - December 03, 2023 at 11:21 AM

DS

“ He was my doctor since I was 17 years old...He delivered 2 of my babies..Dr. Redo my third baby. He was a kind, compassionate, funny and caring man. Salem County has lost a great asset/doctor....he will be forever missed I am sure. Sending my deepest sympathy to his family and all who truly loved him. Diane Pennsville NJ

Diane Sorantino - December 03, 2023 at 09:52 AM

JB

“ What a Great Doctor and friend , u are loved and some of my Best memory's was with you who delivered my Son 🤍🙏👼🥹

jacqueline Burton - December 03, 2023 at 09:45 AM

JD

“ I had the privilege of working with Dr.Decasto and treating his patients n the emergency department for 19 years. He was always the consummate physician and all those that he treated received the same excellent care. I also will remember our friendship and the happy times that we spent together. R.I.P. my friend. My deepest condolences the Lynn, his children, and all those whose hearts and lives that he touched.Dr.John Castiglioni.

John R Castiglioni, D.O. - December 03, 2023 at 09:21 AM

DV

“ So sad to hear of Dr. DeCastros passing. Not only did he deliver my first daughter 42 years ago, I had the privilege of working with him in the operating room. I loved working with this kind and generous man. He will be sorely missed by many.  
Condolences to his family and many friends. RIP Dr. ....💔💔💔

Debra Venello - December 03, 2023 at 08:13 AM

DW

“ My deepest sympathies to all of you..loved him dearly and will never forget all the great times working with him and being his patient..  
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Debbie Willis-Creekmore - December 02, 2023 at 07:30 PM

KH

“ May God be by your side at this time. Such a loss to our community. I admired him greatly. I worked at Salem in the recovery room for many years and he was so genuinely caring about all of his patients and staff members. Sending hugs, love, thoughts and prayers to all of his family and friends. ❤️🙏

Karla Hall - December 02, 2023 at 07:16 PM

CW

“ I am soooooo sorry to hear about Doctor DeCastro  
He was a wonderful doctor he delivered all three of my sons I saw  
him we would always love talking about our grandchildren and we'd  
sit back and laugh he will be missed the family has my condolences  
  




carolyn waye - December 02, 2023 at 06:20 PM

MC

“ Dr. Decastro was a great amd caring Doctor and so appreciated by  
many.

Marie Cecil - December 02, 2023 at 02:54 PM

RR

Yes he was he delivered all my children! When the insurance would not  
cover my surgery he looked out for me. God Bless his family. R.I.P Doc  
  

Ruth Sorrell Richardson - December 02, 2023 at 07:28 PM

MF

“ I just can't believe it. I just saw him. Dr. DeCastro is definitely one in  
a million..

Melody Fahr - December 02, 2023 at 09:11 AM

SP

Oh no. What a total shock. My condolences to his family. What a  
wonderful , kind, and caring doctor he was. I'll never forget that he  
saved my life back in 1982 and delivered my baby girl nearly 32 years  
ago. Rest in peace sweet man. See ya on the other side.

Sandra Philip - December 05, 2023 at 10:29 PM



“ *Dang I'm sorry to hear this  
He delivered my son 25 yrs ago!  
Condolences to family friends and co workers during this rough time*

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**Shannon Miller** - December 02, 2023 at 07:43 AM

SH

“ *Dr. Decastro was a great friend and Dr. such a kind and loving man.  
He will be sadly missed. He delivered all my children. His  
compassion was amazing. RIP Dr. ❤️🙏*

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**Susan Heller** - December 02, 2023 at 07:18 AM

GP

*Dr. DeCastro was a caring, wonderful person. He will be missed by  
many of us. My condolences to his family. Rest in peace Dr. D.*

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**Grace Philip** - December 17, 2023 at 12:11 PM