



## Dr. Virgilio Valdecanas

December 2, 1939 - June 7, 2026

Virgilio Quintos Valdecanas, a devoted husband, father, grandfather, physician, and friend, passed away peacefully after a life defined by faith, family, and service to others.

Born in Bataan, the Philippines, Virgilio came to the United States to pursue his medical residency, beginning a lifelong commitment to caring for others. For nearly 40 years, he served the Milledgeville community as a general surgeon, caring for his patients with dedication and humility. Throughout his career, he built lasting friendships with colleagues and patients, and was known not only for his skill but also for his compassion and steady presence.

A devout Catholic, Virgilio grounded his life in faith and lived it through quiet acts of kindness and generosity. Outside of his work, he found joy in tending his garden and traveling the world with his beloved wife, creating a lifetime of shared memories.

He was a good man who was fortunate to be surrounded by good people—friends, colleagues, and loved ones who enriched his life as much as he enriched theirs. In his final months, he was cared for by a devoted circle of friends whose kindness and care meant a great deal to him and to our family.

Virgilio is survived by his wife of 61 years, Erlinda Luciano Valdecanas; his

daughters, Mimi (Bradford Priddy) and Tina (Doug Aitkin); beloved grandchildren, Olivia and Nicholas; his siblings, Leticia Dizon, Antonio Valdecanas, and Maria Lourdes Valdecanas; and countless cousins, nieces, and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, Dominador and Natividad Valdecanas, and his siblings Dominador Jr., Rudolfo, Nicanor, and Leonila Valdecanas.

A private Mass and celebration of life will be held by the family. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you honor his memory by doing a good deed for someone in need.

# Tribute Wall

DB

“ Donna Bloodworth lit a candle in memory of Virgilio Valdecanas



Donna Bloodworth - Yesterday at 10:43 PM

SH

“ Dr. Val was a joy to work with. He always had a corny joke to tell and was so kind to everyone. At Christmas, he brought us the best little egg rolls that his beautiful wife made. What a good man. May God bless your family.

Shantee Henry - Yesterday at 10:13 PM

JJ

“ He was so supportive of all the JMA band students. I loved knowing both his girls. He and his wife did a awesome job raising such wonderful children that were super intelligent and culturally well rounded. He did a great job as a doctor of my husband and a father to two sweet girls. I loved knowing both while at JMA. Sorry for the families lost. Jennifer Purcell Jones and Ted Jones

Jennifer Purcell Jones - Yesterday at 10:03 PM



“ 🌸 I'm so sorry about Dr. Valdecanas 🌸  
Sending thoughts and prayers to you  
Mrs. Val 🌸 Love you a lot 🌸



Karen Evans - Yesterday at 10:02 PM

RJ

“ *Dr Val touched so many lives. His care for my mom was unbelievably thoughtful and kind.*



Ray and Peggy James - Yesterday at 08:48 PM

WE

“ *Wendi Elliott lit a candle in memory of Virgilio Valdcanas*



Wendi Elliott - Yesterday at 08:37 PM

FL

“ *So sorry for the passing of Dr.Val he was a good surgeon and a friend to all who got the pleasure of those who became to love him. The family is in my thoughts and prayers. RIP Dr.Val.*



Fay Leverett - Yesterday at 07:41 PM

JR

“ *I had the privilege to serve in the ER with Dr.Val. His sense of humor was second to none. His skill as a surgeon was amazing. He was full of life and love. I will miss him terribly. I was just talking with another colleague , oh the funny stories we remember. We love you Dr. Val! You are a legend and fondly remember by all who served with you. You were one of a kind.*

Judy Rathel - Yesterday at 07:40 PM

DO

“ Donna Batson Oxford lit a candle in memory of Virgilio Valdcanas



Donna Batson Oxford - Yesterday at 06:51 PM

PA

“ Linda, I will miss Vir and our little road trips. I always enjoyed going places with y'all, doctor appointments out of town, going to restaurants, getting shrimp in Savannah, being your tour guide in Jekyll. Such wonderful memories. He was such a sweet gentle caring man. I can see his smile! My life is sweeter just knowing him. I love you and asking God to give you comfort!

Pattie Alliston - Yesterday at 06:09 PM

MS

“ Marie Spivey lit a candle in memory of Virgilio Valdcanas



Marie Spivey - Yesterday at 05:58 PM

JH

“ I had the pleasure of working with Dr Valdecanas when I worked in the Cardiopulmonary Dept at BaldwyCo Hospital/Oconee Regional. He was a kind and caring physician with a great sense of humor and wit. He always had a smile and a joke to tell. A great surgeon which I always brag on his surgical skill from being a patient once when he had to remove a cyst on my hand and you cannot tell there is a scar where he removed. Great skills!  
RIP Doctor Val. It has been an honor and privilege.

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**Jerry Huellemeier** - Yesterday at 05:56 PM

CR

“ He was a great friend and doctor he will b missed

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**Connie Rachel's** - Yesterday at 05:50 PM

JT

“ Such a huge loss in this community, thinking about his family at this difficult time, Jimmy Thigpen

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**Jimmy Thigpen** - Yesterday at 05:50 PM

TE

“ Dr. V was a great doctor. I know milledgeville was glad that he helped our community. He will be missed. Prayers

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**Tina Eversole** - Yesterday at 05:49 PM