

Martha Anne Hempel Lansing, MD

August 14, 1942 - February 4, 2021

Martha Anne Hempel Lansing, MD, age 78 years, of East Amwell Township, NJ, died peacefully surrounded by family and friends on Thursday, February 4, 2021 at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick, NJ.

A complete life legacy reflecting on this amazing soul will be forthcoming. As Dr. Lansing was serving as associate professor and vice chair of the Department of Family Medicine and Community Health at Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson School of Medicine, the following is the announcement of her passing by Interim Dean Robert L. Johnson:

It is with deep sadness that we share the passing of Martha Lansing, MD, associate professor and vice chair of the Department of Family Medicine and Community Health, on Thursday, Feb. 4 after a brief illness.

A graduate of the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine, Dr. Lansing was an exemplary practicing clinician for more than 39 years and had a long and productive career in medical education at Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and its predecessors that extended more than 30 years. She began her career in a private family medicine practice in the Princeton area, and over the years cared for many faculty and families from the university.

She joined the department as program director of the medical school's family medicine residency at Capitol Health and graduated scores of residents before assuming the position of vice chair for clinical and academic programs in New Brunswick. Recently she helped develop and extensively taught leadership skills courses to RBHS faculty and students at the Rutgers Center for Organization Leadership. Dr. Lansing was also trained and served as a certified psychoanalyst for many years and has been the consulting attending physician at the Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care adult and adolescent inpatient units in Piscataway.

A trusted mentor and advisor to legions of health professionals, Dr. Lansing was known for her sage advice and genuine caring, guiding many careers. Among her many awards, she received recognition as the statewide Family Physician of the Year from the New Jersey Academy of Family Physicians for her exemplary patient care and contributions to medical education. She is survived by her husband of more than 50 years, Douglas Lansing, three adult

children and her grandchildren. A memorial lectureship is being set up in her name.

We express our sincerest condolences to Dr. Lansing's family, friends and colleagues.

Family and friends will be received on Sunday, February 21, 2021 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. in the Chapel of Wright & Ford Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 38 State Highway 31, Flemington, NJ.

A life celebration service officiated by Certified Life celebrant D.J. Wright will begin at 4:00 p.m. and to which all are welcome.

Interment will take place privately.

*Realizing that many people will be unable to attend due to the current pandemic restrictions, the Life Celebration Service at 4:00 p.m. will be live-streamed with the following link allowing you to be a part of the services virtually: please click **HERE** to watch the service (kindly ensure that you do not have a pop-up blocker installed and note that the live-stream will begin at 3:45 p.m.).*

Additionally, if you are unable to attend and wish to have any words read at the service on your behalf, please feel free to email your remarks to the funeral home by clicking [HERE](#) and they will be incorporated into the service if possible.

It is important to remember that given the current state of the pandemic, masks must be worn at all times on funeral home grounds, and social distancing must be maintained. Please follow the instructions of the Wright & Ford Care Team Family Ambassadors upon arrival. It is also requested that you please remember that only a certain number of people are allowed in the funeral home at any given time so we ask you to please remain cognizant of your time spent with the family so that others may express their love and support as well.

You are encouraged to visit Martha's permanent life celebration site at www.wrightfamily.com to light a candle of hope, leave messages of condolence, share words of comfort and recollection, and post photographs of her life.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contribution information will also be announced.