



## Dr. Nora F. Chang

September 2, 1920 - September 2, 2015

Dr. Nora F. Chang of Cadillac passed away Wednesday, September 2, 2015. She was 95.

Nora was born September 2, 1920 in Xi'an, China to Bao Shan and Bao Quan (Liu) Chang and they preceded her in death.

Dr. Chang began practicing medicine in Xi'an in 1946 before moving to Taiwan in 1949 to practice at the military hospital. Later in 1954, she came to Boston, Massachusetts to work with the doctor exchange program. While in Boston she also practiced at a military base in Washington, D.C. Dr. Chang enjoyed her time in the States and in 1956 started her residence in Detroit. For two years, during 1957-1959 she volunteered as a doctor in Haiti. Upon returning to Detroit she worked at Children's Hospital of Michigan until 1977 when she answered the need for a pediatrician in Cadillac. Dr. Chang began her own practice and worked closely with Mercy Hospital from 1977 until her retirement in 1991.

Dr. Chang was dedicated to her patients and practice. She loved children and learning new things. She was an intelligent, strong and independent woman. Dr. Chang touched many lives and will be remembered for her kind and nurturing legacy.

She is survived by her son, Jonas (Yuling) Ma of Cadillac; grandchildren, Anna (Frank) Fang of Chicago and Yun Chi (Nell) Ma of Novi and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her husband, Zhao- Yi Ma and four siblings.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Saturday September 5, 2015 at the Peterson Funeral Home in Cadillac with Pastor Judy Coffey officiating. Friends may meet the family Friday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will take place at Maple Hill Cemetery in Cadillac.

Memorial contributions may be made to Munson Healthcare Cadillac Hospital Foundation.

An online guestbook is available at [www.petersonfh.com](http://www.petersonfh.com).

# Tribute Wall

NR

“ *She was my pediatrician when I was a baby. I was born in August of 1982. My mom told me she was the sweetest person she ever knew...I wish I had gotten a chance to meet her again seeings I didn' t really remember her. I almost feel like somethings missing in my life now... I have heard stories about her from my mom and I regret so much that I didn' t make the attempt to meet with her sooner. She seems like she was a very kind hearted person who loved what she did!! Prayers go out from my family to hers!! I wish there was a way to learn more about her!!! May she rest in peace.*

Nicole Barbara Robinson - November 13, 2015 at 12:23 PM

SJ

“ *I couldn' t have raised my children without the help and guidance I received from Dr Chang.She was a truly good and beautiful person.*

Sue Johnson - September 19, 2015 at 02:26 AM

JF

“ *Nora Chang was one of the most loving people that our family had ever met,She diognosed our daughters cancer and if sent us to the right drs and she was cured. She was a Godsend to many and has blessed so many with her life.*

joe fitzgerald - September 08, 2015 at 07:49 PM

PN

“ *The most loving, caring pediatrician a parent could want. She always remembered my girls when I ran into her. Keeping your family in our prayers and thoughts. Never forgotten.*

Patty Niebauer - September 07, 2015 at 07:22 PM

JS

“ *Chang Family, I am sorry for your loss. My kids loved Dr. Chang and she took such good care of them. Love and prayers to all of you.*

Judy Sandlin - September 06, 2015 at 04:09 PM

JS

“ Dr. Chang was a great doctor, she was a doctor for all the right reasons, and she taught our one daughter how to be a great doctor as well, she treated her asthma with great care and helped us nurture both of them into great persons. She was a real blessing to Cadillac, we morn her passing.

John Singer - September 06, 2015 at 03:12 PM

JT

“ She arrived just in time for our first child thankfully and took care of all our children. What a huge heart, sweetheart smile and great mind. A winning combination.

*I was lucky to work for her for a while.*

*Fly with the angels Nora.*

Joyce Morrison Taylor - September 06, 2015 at 01:35 PM

JB

“ Dr. Chang was my first and favorite doctor. A wonderful woman and family friend. God Bless.

Jaclyn K Blackburn - September 06, 2015 at 11:40 AM

JS

“ Dr Chang was such a great Doctor but even a better person. She was always smiling when I would go to see her. She was one of the best Doctors I have ever known and she will be missed by many. My sincerest sympathies to the entire Chang Family.

John Sandlin - September 05, 2015 at 10:36 PM

DH

“ Dr. Chang' s name is forever in my baby book. Thank you Dr. for the wisdom that saved my little 4-pound self back then. What a beautiful life of service and dedication that affected so many, including myself. Rest in peace Dr. Chang!

Devon Hampton - September 05, 2015 at 10:35 PM

BG

“ Dr. Chang was very special to our family. I' ll never forget how competent she made me feel as a young, first time mother, who appreciated her encouragement so much. We are sorry for your loss Jonas, Yuling, Chi and Roo. She was so special.

Bev Gullekson - September 05, 2015 at 07:14 PM

BE

“ Dr. Chang was an amazing woman who cared so much for her little patients. Our community of Cadillac was so fortunate to have her join the medical team with her pediatric specialty. My two children thought a lot of her and as many comments before, she did remember them, and through the years asked how they were doing. Her contributions of medical excellence and complete caring of patients will never be forgotten. May God Bless her family and may HE give Dr. Chang rest and peace as she now rejoins the rest of her family who has gone on before.

Bob and Bonnie Eggle - September 05, 2015 at 03:20 PM

LH

“ What a kind and loving woman Dr. Chang was! Her patience and guidance got this young mother through so many illnesses and " boo-boos!"  
When I last saw her about a year ago, she remembered me and asked about my children who were her patients in the 80s! She was such a blessing to so many people. Rest in peace lovely lady.

Lisa Huff - September 05, 2015 at 12:27 PM

LC

“ She was great always treated every patient like they were the only one she had.  
Rest in peace

Laura Clark - September 05, 2015 at 10:24 AM

JC

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Dr. Chang was a kind and loving woman and outstanding pediatrician. I always enjoyed our visits, even after she retired. It amazed me that she always remembered our daughters and even asked about my parents. We always looked forward to sharing Christmas greetings with her. She was a very special lady, and she touched many lives.

John & Linda Coffell - September 05, 2015 at 08:46 AM

PB

“ Dr, chang, was the very best, caring Doctor. My children were very fortunate to have her for their pediatrician. She always listened. There were times when I (Dr.Mom), disagreed with her diagnosis, but above all, I always knew she cared, and that was more important than always being right on. She was in a car accident and was in Lakeview, and when I walked into her room, She knew me, not my first name , but my last, I wanted to spend more time with her but family came in...RIP Dr. Chang

phyllis Brainerd - September 04, 2015 at 11:25 PM

RM

“ Dr. Chang was the best pediatrician. Besides giving my children the best medical care she also gave me advice and home remedies that I (and my daughter) use to this day for my grandchildren. The last time I saw her was in the Cadillac Library. She gave me that wonderful smile and asked me how my kids were. I will truly miss her. What a wonderful, loving, and intelligent woman and Dr. We were blessed to have her in our lives.

Rosemarie McConnell - September 04, 2015 at 10:50 PM

KM

“ She was a very gallant lady--so amazing-- so kind. She will be sorely missed.

KC Mowrey - September 04, 2015 at 10:29 PM

DV

“ Dr. Chang was a great pediatrician. She cared about children and their families. She did a great job taking care of my children. My heart goes out to her family at this time of loss.

Debra Vennema - September 04, 2015 at 06:35 PM

SM

“ Dr Chang was an amazing and gracious lady, always considerate of others. I had the privilege and pleasure of working with her in the ER, and have very fond memories. She never forgot any of us nurses, and always asked about family when we saw her. Rest in peace. Such a beautiful caring woman. Bless her.

Susan and Larry Martz - September 04, 2015 at 05:24 PM

LH

“ Doctor Chang was an integral part of our lives and the lives of our children. She was a special blessing.

Lois and Jim Herrinton - September 04, 2015 at 04:55 PM

CB

“ I'll never forget her care of my sons. She was a very special lady and friend.

Cheryl Booher - September 04, 2015 at 03:12 PM

BP

“ Dr. Chang was my pediatrician many years ago. She was wonderful. May God grant you peace.

Beth Pollatz - September 04, 2015 at 01:07 PM

RD

“ I worked at Mercy Hospital and let me tell you she was one of the best. She put her patients first and she loved them like they were her own. May she rest in peace.

Rita Dodge - September 04, 2015 at 11:38 AM

JG

“ May God Bless this caring, loving and Kind woman's!  
She was our pedestrian in the late 70's and early 80's.  
I saw her in Meijer last winter and she stopped me and wanted to know how my two sons were doing!! I was so it was so overwhelming that when she hugged me, I almost cried from her kindness. So sorry for your loss, know she touched so many lives with love ☦️

Judy Kibby, Grandy - September 04, 2015 at 11:09 AM

MH

“ Dr.Chang was the best pediatrician any parent could ask for their child..she will be missed. ...R.I.P

marcy hill - September 04, 2015 at 06:38 AM