

Roy K. Greenberg, MD

1964–2013



It is with great sorrow that we announce the passing of Dr. Roy Greenberg.

Roy Kenneth Greenberg, 49, died December 7, 2013 at his home on Lake Erie near Cleveland, Ohio. He was born in Ithaca, New York, to Iris and Donald Greenberg on November 9, 1964. Roy obtained his Bachelor's degree at Cornell University and his medical degree from the University of Cincinnati. He trained in General and Vascular Surgery at the University of Rochester Medical Center, where he met his wife, Alicia Fanning. They both joined the faculty at the Cleveland Clinic after completion of their training. Roy had a passion for problem solving, and he applied this to the care of his patients.

His innovations and research have helped to shape our current treatment of complex aortic disease, and his contributions were instrumental to ushering in the era of endovascular therapy. His interest in teaching and mentoring has contributed to the academic growth and development of many colleagues. His contributions, whether directly or indirectly, have saved the lives of many around the world. He has been recognized with numerous awards, and the Society for Vascular Surgery established an annual lecture on innovation in his honor.

Roy's international reputation provided him with the opportunity to travel the globe and explore many dif-

ferent cultures, which he loved. He was thrilled to be able to share these experiences with his family, in particular his sons Zachary, 11, and Lucas, 10, who accompanied him on many of these adventures. Additionally, Roy is survived by his younger brother and sister, Eric and Jane, and his parents, Don and Iris.

Roy will be remembered as an innovator, surgeon, teacher, and mentor.

Most importantly, Roy will be remembered as a friend, husband, and father. He was a great light that shone on his patients, colleagues, friends and family.

A memorial service to honor Roy was held on January 11, 2014, in Cleveland.

Please consider a contribution to the Dr. Roy Greenberg Memorial Fund for Innovation and International Scholarship in the Heart and Vascular Institute of the Cleveland Clinic. Gifts can be sent to Cleveland Clinic Foundation, PO Box 931517, Cleveland OH 44193-1655, or online at clevelandclinic.org/giving. ■

Shared on behalf of the Cleveland Clinic. Endovascular Today will also honor Dr. Greenberg's memory in our February edition, the focus of which will be endovascular aneurysm repair.