

2005 Hall of Fame Inductee

Dr. Steven I. Plax

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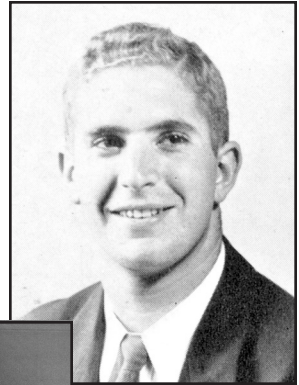
Retired pediatrician Dr. Steven I. Plax is best known for the devotion and compassion he had for his young patients and their families.

A native of University City, Plax attended Jackson Park Elementary School, Hanley Junior High and graduated from University City High School in 1953. He attended Washington University and earned his medical degree from the University of Missouri.

For more than 31 years, Plax worked at the St. Louis Children's Clinic. Parents appreciated his accessibility and observant bedside manner. During his "morning phone hour," he would speak with parents about issues they had about their child's health and development. He served as a clinical professor of pediatrics at Washington University Medical School and was medical staff president at St. Louis Children's Hospital.

Although he spends most of his time either gardening or playing golf, Plax is still actively involved in medicine. He is a member of the Admissions Committee for the Washington University School of Medicine, serves on the boards of the Zelda Epstein Daycare Center and Planned Parenthood and practices on Saturdays with the University City East's Health Protection and Education Services. Plax raised funds for an inclusive playground at Tilles Park that would enable children of all abilities to play together.

Dr. Plax and his wife Julie have been married for 42 years. The couple has four children, two of whom are pediatricians, and six grandchildren.



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