



Dr. Charles L. Cassady Sr.

September 22, 1935 - March 31, 2026

Dr. Charles Louis Cassady, Sr., age 90, of Solon, Ohio, passed away on March 31, 2026. Born in 1935 in Dresden, Ohio, he grew up in East Fultonham and graduated from Roseville High School, where he was quarterback of the football team. He earned his M.D. from The Ohio State University, where he lived in the Stadium Scholarship Dormitory.

After completing his internship and ENT residency at St. Luke's Hospital, he served as an otolaryngologist with the rank of Captain with the United States Air Force in Minot, North Dakota. Returning to Northeast Ohio in 1968, he practiced for nearly 40 years at several hospitals, including Hillcrest Hospital. Board-certified in Otolaryngology, he was a Fellow of the American Academy of Otolaryngology–Head and Neck Surgery and the American College of Surgeons, and served as Assistant Clinical Professor at University Hospitals and adjunct professor at Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine. He was also a member of the Cleveland Jaycees.

Dr. Cassady was recognized by the Ohio General Assembly, the Academy of Medicine of Cleveland and Northern Ohio, and the City of Cleveland for his outstanding service, including his work as a school physician for the Cleveland Metropolitan School District and participation on the Healthlines radio program on WCLV in 2005.

He married Mary Lou Novak in 1962 after meeting while ice skating in Cleveland. An avid fly fisherman, songwriter, and accomplished painter of waterfowl, his artwork was exhibited internationally. He is survived by his children, Charles Jr. (Lucy), Brian, and Sheila Wyatt (Jeff), and grandchildren Nicholas, Victoria, and Amira. He was preceded in death by his parents Lewis Paul and Mary Louise (nee Egbert).

A celebration of life will occur in July - family and friends will be notified.

Tribute Wall

LF

“ Charles grew up in a large family in a small Ohio town. As soon as he got his Schwinn bicycle he was off exploring nearby lakes and streams He had a great love for his Irish Setter, ‘Boots’, a neighbor’s dog he met while the family lived on Lake Minnetonka. On return to Ohio after WW II, he was thrilled to find that ‘Boots’ was unhappy without him and was being shipped to him. A great reunion!

Laura Franks - April 14 at 12:51 PM

SW

Thank you, Laura - Dad and I were talking about Boots the week he passed - I had no idea they paired up on Lake Minnetonka - that story warms my heart. I love this story.

Sheila W - April 15 at 11:19 PM

LF

The Laffertys were the neighbors. They had two setters, Boots and Paddles.

Laura Franks - April 17 at 10:44 AM

JS

“ I remember watching Dr Cassidy cast his fishing rod at our local North Hill pond. There was nothing much to catch but I think he had a good time anyway.

Judy Saltzman - April 03 at 08:53 AM

LF

Thank you Judy for remembering my brother. Charlie grew up at Buckeye Lake and loved to fish.

Laura Franks - April 03 at 02:33 PM

SW

Our whole family had great memories on that pond, from skating on it to Dad fishing - I even remember the big decorative Japanese Carp that lived in that pond for long time. He adored that neighborhood. Thanks for sharing.

Sheila W - April 15 at 11:20 PM