Anthony M. Gallina

Anthony M. Gallina passed away at home on April 1, 2012.

He was the first born in a large Italian family and grew up in Kent, Ohio. He served in the Air Force for 4 years during the Korean Conflict. He is known in the Panama City area for his "giving back for all the good things that life provided him," to include many hours of volunteer work at the Catholic Charities food bank. He was a retired veterinarian and educator, having taught pathology to veterinary students at Washington State University and a number of other veterinary colleges.

He loved his family to include daughter, Michaelann de los Santos, son, Scott Gallina; son, Jay Gallina (deceased); granddaughters, Antonia and Barbara de los Santos and Asti Gallina; grandson, Anthony Gallina; his wife, Barbara Gallina (deceased), eternally missed; and current wife of 20 years, Lynne Siegfried.

The family requests that donations in his name be made to the Barbara Gallina Scholarship Fund at the Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine, lhaley@vetmed.wsu.edu; 509-335-5021.

There will be a gathering of family and friends to memorialize Tony Gallina at a time yet to be arranged.

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Dr. Gallina (Tony) received his DVM degree from The Ohio State University in 1960 and earned his PhD in pathology from the University of Connecticut in 1969. After a stint as faculty diagnostian at Purdue University he served Director of the Laboratories of Veterinary Diagnostic Medicine at the University of Illinois. Tony was long time Director of the Washington Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory at Washington State University (1976-1992), before returning as interim Director of the Laboratories of Veterinary Diagnostic Medicine at the University of Illinois from 1993 until he retired. Tony was a veterinary diagnostic pathologist “piu eccellente” mentoring scores of veterinary pathologist over his long and dedicated career.

Tony was a long time member and contributor to the American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians (AAVLD) over many decades. AAVLD had a special place in his heart and he took great pride in the growth and accomplishments of AAVLD over the years. He was a Past-President (serving as President in 1982-1983), E.P. Pope Award recipient (1992), and Life Member. He served on numerous AAVLD Committees over many decades. These included Accreditation, Resolutions, Laboratory Directors, Executive Board, House of Delegates, and most recently on the AAVLD Foundation Committee continuing to work toward securing future veterinary diagnosticians. He will be missed by many in AAVLD.