

GENEREUX, Drs. Arthur and George

Dr. Arthur Genereux, was born in Lethbridge, Alberta, in 1901. He started medical school at Queen's University and completed his studies at the University of Alberta, after taking a break to teach school. He died on March 12, 1975. He was predeceased by his wife, Catherine, who died in 1964.

In 1952, at the age of 17, George Genereux won Canada's only gold medal at the 1952 Olympic Games in Helsinki, Finland, Canada's first gold medal since 1932. His performance in trap shooting obtained 10 of Canada's total 30 points during the Games. He had started shooting only five years before, and by the time he was 16, had won three North American championships at an American Trapshooting Association competition in Ohio, and had placed second in the World Championships in Oslo, Norway.

George was named Saskatoon's Citizen of the Year for 1952, and won the Lou Marsh Memorial Trophy as Canada's outstanding athlete.

Just a few years later his sporting career was over. Even before winning his Olympic Gold Medal, he had been diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis, which he had suffered from and fought his whole life.

George Genereux received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Saskatchewan and then studied medicine at McGill University. He received his Fellowship in Radiology from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1968. Dr Genereux held the position of Professor of Radiology at Royal University Hospital, and published many papers and collaborated on radiology textbooks.

An article in the *Saskatoon StarPhoenix*, published on April 11, 1989, stated, "*At the time of his death he was working with three other internationally known specialists on the third and fourth volumes of a study of chest diseases.*" The same article continued on to say, "*Despite his own bad health, Genereux worked to advance the cause of medical knowledge. 'If you can't help yourself, you should use your God-given talents to help others,' he said in one interview.*"



Dr. George Genereux died on April 10, 1989. He is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery with his father, Dr. Arthur Genereux, and his mother, Catherine.