

Obituary

Dr. Mária Bernadette Nógrády

Pediatric Radiology and Canada lost a great lady when Bernadette Nógrády died on May 28, 1986, in Montreal, after a short illness. Having immigrated from Hungary in 1956, she and her husband George rapidly overcame the obstacles of a totally different culture, climate and languages, learning French and English remarkably quickly, and adapting to the bilingual, bicultural life of Canada and the Province of Quebec. Bernadette was a warm person, with a marvelous sense of humor, and a ready, merry and infectious laugh. An enthusiastic companion, an imaginative investigator, and a fine teacher, she was interested, not just in Radiology, but in the patient, and in the patient's family. She sought diligently to do only those radiologic studies which would benefit the sick or injured child, and to do them in a manner which would yield the greatest benefit with the least discomfort possible. She spent much time talking to and comforting the families of her patients.

Bernadette was a great favourite with medical students at McGill University, where her elective courses were regularly oversubscribed. Not only did she teach the students, but became their friend and often counselor. Wherever she went, in the Montreal Children's Hospital, where she worked for 24 years, in Canada, the United States, and in Europe, she was greeted by her many friends with warmth and affection. She was a member of 23 societies, most of them medical, and a lively contributor to all. Her scientific contributions to the literature were numerous, valuable, and revealed scientific and clinical insight and imagination. There are many of us - friends, colleagues, students and patients who will always remember her with love and admiration. She is survived by her husband, Dr. George Nógrády.

La Société Canadienne Française de Radiologie, with the support of Squibb Canada Inc., created the



Prix Bernadette Nogrady in 1986. This annual award will be presented to the Quebec Radiologist who demonstrates distinction in the beginning of his career.

At the Montreal Children's Hospital, there was dedicated in May, 1987, the Bernadette Nogrady Waiting Room for Children

Scott Dunbar

Editor's note from Dr. Berdon

The team of Nogrady and Dunbar virtually created the modern specialty of pediatric uro-radiology through their work in Montreal in the 1960s and 70s. It is fitting that Scott Dunbar, just retired, write this tribute to Bernadette Nogrady.