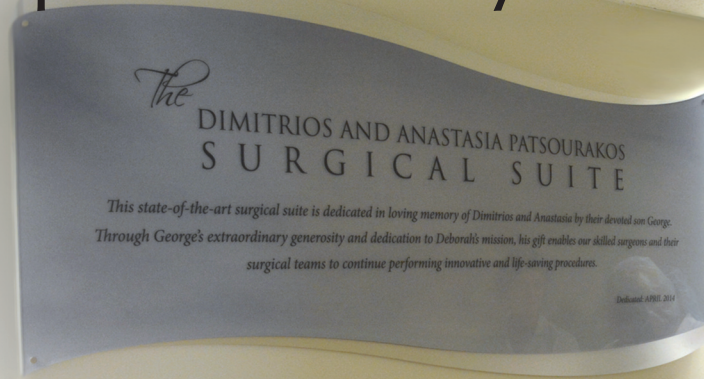


Friendship Inspires Extraordinary Gift



**Pictured above top to bottom:
George with his mother;
Dimitrios Patsourakos;
Petros Kontos**

If you are interested in remembering the Deborah Foundation in your Will or learning about other available naming opportunities, please contact Jim Carson or Ellen Krivchenia at 609-893-0100.



George Patsourakos was a quiet-Greek gentleman who came from very humble beginnings. But at Deborah, he will be forever remembered as a selfless philanthropist and true friend.

After his parents passed away, George lived in their modest home and worked as a laborer for most of his life. He enjoyed going out to eat each day at his favorite place, The Philly Diner in Runnemede, NJ. It was there George met his dear friend Petros Kontos, owner of the restaurant.

George shared many stories with Petros and confided in him as a friend. "George was an unassuming man," remembers Kontos. Although he worked as a laborer, George was also a self-taught investor and studied the financial section of the paper every day. As he was getting older, George confided in Petros his desire to create a Will and leave something to charity, and his uncertainty about which one to choose.

In an effort to assist his friend, Petros shared his story about Deborah. In the late 1970s, he arrived in America from Greece with no money or insurance and suffering with a severe health condition. He was referred to Deborah Heart and Lung Center, where he stayed for nearly 60 days until he was fully cured and rehabilitated. As a result of the care he received at Deborah, Petros is alive and well, enjoying a healthy life, with a beautiful family and a wonderful business. George was so inspired by the story of Deborah's mission and philosophy and their motto "There is no price on life" that he decided to leave his savings to Deborah.

After George's death at the age of 79, the Will documents revealed that he left his entire estate, valued at nearly \$3 million, to the Foundation in honor of his mother and father.

In 2014, the Foundation erected two plaques commemorating George's monumental gift. The Surgical Suite, home to Deborah's new state-of-the-art Hybrid Operating Room, is dedicated in the name of Dimitrios and Anastasia Patsourakos, George's parents. The second plaque, "A Son's Tribute," is prominently displayed in the outpatient registration area, evoking George's most cherished value: "Honor your Mother and Father."

Since the completion of the Hybrid Operating Room in 2014, more than 300 life-saving procedures have been performed, with thousands more expected over the coming years.

On behalf of the patients and fellow donors of the Deborah Foundation, we will always be thankful to George for making such a profound difference in the lives of our current and future patients. He will never be forgotten!

