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## ON THE DEATH OF PROFESSOR (CHS) EMERITUS JOHN FREDERICK KREUL

John Kreul, age 63, professor (CHS) emeritus in the Department of Anesthesiology, died on Sunday, November 15, 2009 after a long and challenging illness. John was born June 4, 1946 in Oklahoma City, the son of Randolph and Lucille Kreul. He spent his childhood in Racine, graduating from St. Catherine's High School. John earned a bachelor's degree from Marquette University and a Doctor of Medicine degree from Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine. After postgraduate education in anesthesiology and cardiac anesthesiology at the Case Western University Hospitals, he joined the faculty of the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health in 1976. He was granted "faculty status" in 1990.

John's superb talents as a clinician-educator and pioneering patient safety advocate emerged fully fledged in the eyes of those fortunate enough to have known, worked with, and been mentored by him from the first years of his career. The breadth and depth of his knowledge, his skill in sharing this knowledge with students at all levels of sophistication, and his limitless grace in the most stressful of clinical circumstances set the mark of excellence for over three decades. Above all, John's steadfast kindness will be fondly remembered by his patients, students and colleagues.

The Wisconsin Society of Anesthesiologists and the American Society of Anesthesiologists recognized John's efforts on behalf of patient safety, medicine and anesthesiology with lifetime achievement awards. In the final months of his life, John received the Distinguished Service Award of the American Society of Anesthesiologists. In his honor, the University of Wisconsin created the John F. Kreul M.D., Education Fellowship in Anesthesiology. This endowment supports educational grants to faculty in the Department of Anesthesiology to pursue scholarly activities that benefit patients and their families.

John's love for his students, his profession, the Department of Anesthesiology, and the University of Wisconsin was abiding and profound. His legacy of compassion and poise enriches two generations of clinicians and patients in their care. He is survived by his wife Joan, their children John and Meg, and their spouses and children.

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