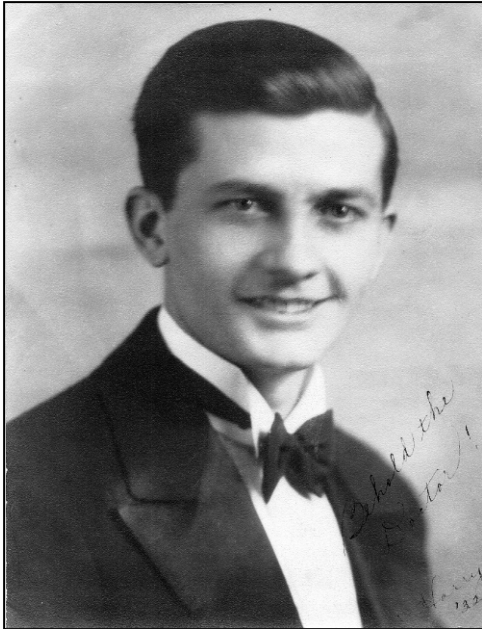


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HARRY & VYE KAVANAUGH FAMILY



Above; Harry Graduation from Detroit University, 1932.



Above middle and right - Uncle Harry during WW II



Above: Harry & Vye in Arizona sometime in the 90s.



Above: Sr. Rosemond, Grandma Kavanagh, Sr. Charlotte, Sr. Bernice, Back: Harry, Helen & Bernie Kavanagh. In Detroit Mi. sometime in the 50s.



Left: Picture of Vye & Harry at Albert & Catherine's 50th Anniversary. Background is Bernie. Right: Picture of Albert, Frank and Harry aboard the Medical Ship Hope where Harry was the lead Dentist.



Left: Vincent, Harry and Louie Sr. while he visited on the Home Place.

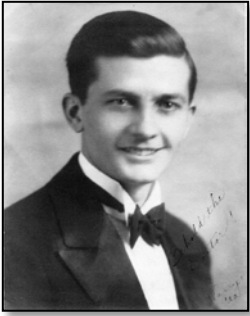


Right: Picture of Harry & Vye Kavanaugh taken around 2000



Left: This is the marker for Dr. Harry M. Kavanaugh who is buried in the mausoleum at Calvary Cemetery on the south side of Indianapolis. Harry was the son of John T. and Mary Lucy "O'Connor" Kavanaugh and he married Violet and she lives in Indianapolis. This says his name was Harry M. for Mark but I had him as Mark Henry Kavanaugh. He became a dentist and was an officer in the Army during WW II. While serving as dentist, he volunteered his services to several convents and went around the world giving his time and talent on the ship USS Hope.

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HELPING OTHERS IS IN HIS BLOOD

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Retired dentist 97, has always found ways to donate his time.

By Lois Welner

Retired dentist Harry Kavanaugh spent much of his career providing free dental care for poor people. Now, at 97, he still finds ways to volunteer, including making rosaries sent to missions all over the world.

Kavanaugh was born into a large farm family of five other brothers and three sisters in Cannelburg, In. Kavanaugh says farm life was hard in those days, especially for a family of 11.

"It was a difficult way to make a living," he said. "When I was 18, I went to Detroit, Michigan, because there was work with the auto industry.

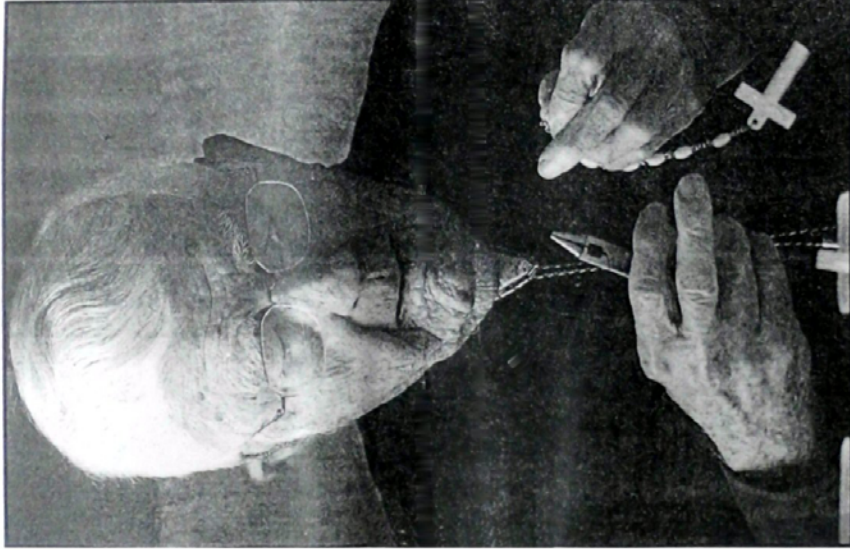
He Took a job as stock boy for Chrysler Motor Co, and was later transferred to the shipping department. When an employee was fired, Kavanaugh's boss told him he should get out of there and get into a profession

"God to dental school," advised his boss.

So, with almost no money, Kavanaugh enrolled at the University of Detroit, working all through school at creamery

In 1932, he graduated from the University of Louisville School of Dentistry in Kentucky, then set up his private practice in Detroit.

Since he was just getting started, he had time to volunteer services to the Detroit



Photos by A.E. Aulisa / Staff
Every day, Kavanaugh and his wife, Vi, make rosaries to be distributed to various missions throughout the world. He practiced dentistry in Detroit for 35 years, and during that time he donated untold hours to charitable causes in many parts of the world.

Department of Health, which he did for three years. That was the beginning of the charitable work he would do through his career.

Then World War II came along, and Kavanaugh joined the Army Air Forces in 1943. He spent three years at navigation school in Monroe, La.

In 1946, after the war, he re-

turned to Detroit and reopened his practice in addition to his clinic – and true to his compassionate nature – he set up a dental clinic in the nearby Carmelite sisters monastery.

"I had an associate who could take over when I went to the monastery," said Kavanaugh, who took care of the nun's dental needs until his retirement in 1968.



Making rosaries is just one of the ways that Harry occupies Kavanaugh's time.

"In 1965," Kavanaugh said, "I heard that the Maryknoll Mission in Guatemala was in need of a dentist. While my associate kept my clinic going, I flew to Guatemala for an eight-week stay."

"When I arrive there, the only ways to get to the mission was up a mountain road by mule. I rode that mule for five hours.

In 1967, Kavanaugh went to a Jesuit mission in Honduras for a few weeks to do dental work.

"I saw all kinds of infections of the mouth. So much of my work was teeth extraction. One young man had a tooth growing out of his chin."

Also in 1967, Kavanaugh spent three months aboard the hospital ship SS HOPE in Cargena, Colombia.

"Dentistry had been good to me and I wanted to help people who needed dental care," Kavanaugh said. "That's what got me interested in the trip."

His medical team spent two months there treating the sick and the needy.

In 1968, Kavanaugh became dental coordinator of the ship. Voyages took him to Sri Lanka, Tunisia and Jamaica. He received an award for his service as coordinator aboard the SS Hope.

Back in 1964 in Detroit's Kavanaugh had met one of his

colleagues' dental assistants, a widow name Violet Carlson. After he returned to his practice in Detroit, there were married in 1970.

"This is one of the better things that happened to me in my life. Violet was worth waiting for," said.

In 1971 the Kavanaughs, as a medical team, went to Jamaica to help the needy there.

"We had bunk beds aboard HOPE. Harry climbed up to the top bunk, and the lower one," Violet recalls.

That year Michigan recognized the Kavanaugh for his and presented him with a plaque naming him Dentist of the Year for "outstanding civic contributions and public leadership."

After selling the clinic in Detroit, the Kavanaughs retired to Green Valley. But Kavanaugh didn't really retire. He volunteered his expertise in dentistry to St. Elizabeth of Hungary clinic in Tucson and went there every Tuesday 15 years until 1991.

In addition, he was instrumental in starting a St. Vincent de Paul Society at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church in Green Valley for which he was honored with the Monsignor James Stapleton Award for outstanding contributions to the parish.

For several more years, Harry and Vi enjoyed their twice-a-week golf game.

Now, at 97, golf is no longer on Kavanaugh's agenda but he still puts his American flag out every morning, drives to daily Mass and tends his flower garden.

And every day, he and Vi make rosaries to be distributed to various missions throughout the world.



Left are Dr. Harry Kavanaugh and his wife Vye. They were married Dec. 19, 1970. Dr. Kavanaugh was a Dentist in Detroit Michigan for many years but then did extensive volunteer work on the ship USS Hope which traveled the world giving medical care. Dr. Harry Kavanaugh was also responsible for sponsoring men studying for the Priesthood and for individuals entering the field of Dentistry. This picture was taken in Jan. of 1995.



Above: picture of Harry & Vye Kavanaugh taken in Sept. of 1995. After retiring, Harry and Vye retired in Arizona.