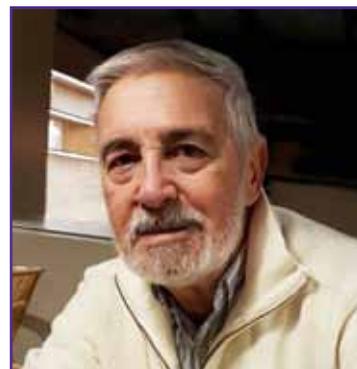


Dr. Gastón Maignon



It is with deep sadness that we remember Dr. Gastón Daniel Maignon, just Gastón for those of us who had the privilege of knowing him.

Gastón entered Hospital Italiano in Buenos Aires with a restless spirit and after completing two undergraduate degrees, first as an Agricultural Engineer and afterwards as a Medical Doctor.

He saw the various departments of this Teaching Hospital, where education and teaching are instilled in its DNA. He was a resident physician, an on-call physician, a staff physician, the head and founder of the Shoulder Team, and the Deputy Chief of the Orthopedics and Traumatology Service at the Hospital Italiano de Buenos Aires.

He spoke outstanding British English as a result of his education at his beloved St. Alban's College. He traveled around the world to complete his training in shoulder surgery, leaving dear friends in many parts of the world.

He was a pioneer in the treatment of shoulder pathology and a pioneer in the dissemination of the subspecialty. He served on various committees for the Asociación Argentina de Ortopedia y Traumatología (AAOT), in addition to his position as president of the Asociación Argentina de Hombro y Codo (AAHC) and the Sociedad Latinoamericana de Hombro y Codo (SLAHOC). He was also a member of multiple national and international scientific associations related to the subspecialty including the prestigious American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons (ASES). His academic culmination was the Presidency of the World Shoulder Congress, which was held in Buenos Aires in 2019, for which he worked tirelessly and proudly.

His contribution to medical knowledge in the subspecialty is noteworthy. As a sign of his commitment to the sciences he authored numerous publications in PubMed indexed journals such as: *Clinical Orthopaedics and Related Research*, *Orthopaedic Journal of Sport Medicine*, *Arthroscopy Techniques*, *Arthroscopy*, *American Journal of Sport Medicine* and *Journal of Shoulder and Elbow Surgery*, among others. His broad curriculum vitae also includes numerous publications in national journals under the auspices of the Asociación Argentina de Ortopedia y Traumatología, the Asociación Argentina de Artroscopía (AAA), and the Asociación Argentina de Traumatología del Deporte (AATD).

Communication through oral presentations in various formats, such as dissertations, panel discussions, free-topic studies, practical training courses, and casual discussions, was among his strongest qualities.

He was devoted and empathic with his patients, respectful and polite with his colleagues, and as a leader, he was always ready to listen, stimulate, and accompany growth.

His great passion, without a doubt, was his family. Adriana, his wife and children, Martin and Florencia, were his pride and joy. The arrival of his granddaughter Guadalupe filled his days with joy.

He cherished and cared for the friends he had made since boyhood as well as those he had made during his professional career with special devotion. An example of this was his emotional reunion with his rugby team at St. Alban's club a few days before his departure.

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On a daily basis, he was a fun-loving person and an exceptional confidant who genuinely cared about those close to him. Sharing the workday with him was pleasant. He could get upset just as quickly as he could get over it and go on.

In recent years, he faced with courage, fortitude and full awareness a long illness, overcoming with admirable courage the daily difficulties and challenges it presented him.

While we mourn his departure, we take comfort in knowing that the love of his family, friends and colleagues, together with his deep belief in God, accompanied him until his last minute with us.

Our most sincere tribute to our colleague Dr. Gastón Maignon.

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