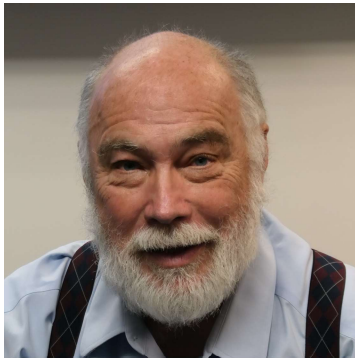


Memorial Hall of Fame

Established in 1981, the Memorial Hall of Fame serves as a posthumous tribute to a creative and devoted physician, research scientist, or other individual who has been an active member of the AIUM and contributed to the field of ultrasound in medicine. Honorees are announced at the Annual Meeting.

Philippe Jeanty, MD, PhD, FAIUM



Born in Belgian Congo (now the Democratic Republic of Congo), Philippe Jeanty grew to have a great interest in the United States despite only speaking French. So, after obtaining his medical degree from Free University of Brussels (ie, Université Libre de Bruxelles) in 1978, he wanted to be able to read and submit to journals from the United States, but cost and language were still barriers. As a Resident in Radiology at Hospital ERASME, Dr Jeanty began learning English while trying to submit articles for publication in the United States. Those articles, which were successfully accepted and published beginning in 1981, established the first measurement charts for many structures of the fetus and cemented Dr Jeanty as an ultrasound pioneer.

In 1981, Dr Jeanty became a member of the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine (AIUM) and attended his first AIUM Annual Meeting, where he presented Scientific Posters, to which he attached a cardboard sign asking for help getting a position in the United States. As a result of this, he received an invitation from Dr John Hobbins to visit Yale University where Dr Jeanty became a Research Associate (1982–1984) until he began his new residency at Yale University School of Medicine. Dr Hobbins' assistance in getting Dr Jeanty his green card enabled all of this to occur, for which Dr Jeanty was forever grateful. Dr Jeanty always worked hard to emulate Dr Hobbins' kindness and assistance, such as offering a place for a fellow to stay on his own farm and seeing great potential in a poor student, and paying for her medical education.

Following 2 years of his residency at Yale, Dr Jeanty moved to Nashville, Tennessee, and completed his residency at Vanderbilt University of Medicine, after which he became an assistant professor (Radiology and Obstetrics and Gynecology) and an associate professor (Radiology) there (1987–1995) while also serving as a consultant to the VA Medical Center (1988–1991).

Ultimately, being restricting in what he was allowed to publish, Dr Jeanty chose to leave the academic world for private practice and began publishing *The Fetus* in print in 1991, which transitioned to TheFetus.Net (founded in 1999), the world's largest website on prenatal diagnosis by ultrasound. To this day, TheFetus.net continues to provide free educational content to ultrasound practitioners worldwide.

In 1995, Dr Jeanty became the director of ultrasound at the Women's Health Alliance in 1995, followed by Tennessee Women's Care of Nashville and Inner Vision Women's Ultrasound, before he retired in 2018.

Dr Jeanty was also an active member of the Royal Belgian Society of Radiology, the Belgian Society of Ultrasound, the AIUM, the Radiological Society of North America, the Society of Radiologists in Ultrasound, and the American College of Physician Executives. But he wasn't content to just be a member, he also wanted to ensure that he could share his knowledge with as many others as possible so he was also an enthusiastic volunteer. Dr Jeanty was very active in the AIUM, serving on the Ethics & Professional Standards Committee, the Education Committee, the Clinical Standards Committee, the Educational Resource Committee, and the UPAC Task Force; became an AIUM Fellow; presented at many AIUM Annual Meetings; and was faculty for a few AIUM courses.

Although Dr Jeanty did not feel he was deserving of awards (he felt that his patients' smiles were award enough), that didn't stop others from acknowledging his great efforts. In 1982, he was awarded an Honorary Belgo-American Education Foundation Fellowship; in 2001, he was recognized as a star teacher at the IV Conference of Sociedad Chilena de Ultrasonografia en Medicina Y Biologia; and in 2011, he was awarded the Stuart Campbell Award for Education from the International Society of Ultrasound in Obstetrics & Gynecology (ISUOG).

Philippe Jeanty, MD, PhD, FAIUM, physician, educator, carpenter, amateur photographer, world traveler, early adopter of the computer, and green home designer, died at home on November 25, 2020. He leaves behind his wife, Thao; his daughter, Cerine; his son, Cedric; and four grandchildren. His legacy will remain for years to come.