



## Fridolin Sulser

December 2, 1926 - January 3, 2016

Dr. Fridolin Sulser, who devoted his life to understanding the physiological basis of mental disorders and their treatment, died on 1-3-2016 at age 89, surrounded by loving family. He is survived by his brother, Emil Sulser of Maienfeld, Switzerland, wife, Johanna Mooser Sulser, and children Anna (Sulser) Newton, Adrian Sulser, Daniel Sulser, and Bettina (Sulser) Bryant, along with eight grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Dr. Sulser was born in Grabs, Switzerland and grew up in the town of Maienfeld, amidst his beloved Swiss Alps. He graduated from the Humanistische Gymnasium in Chur in 1947, attended Medical School at the University of Basel (pre-clinical) and the University of Zurich (clinical), graduating with an MD in 1955. He served as a medical officer in the Swiss Army, married the love of his life, Johanna, and moved with his wife and infant daughter to begin a position as assistant professor at the University of Bern. The family's great American adventure began in the fall of 1958 when Fridolin accepted a post-doctoral fellowship in Neuropsychopharmacology at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD. Four years later, he went to Burroughs Wellcome Research Labs in New York as Head of Pharmacology. In 1965 he joined the Vanderbilt University Medical School Faculty as professor and Director of the Pharmacology Research Center, becoming a Professor Emeritus of the University in 2000.

Dr. Sulser received many honors during his research career, including the prestigious Anna-Monika Prize, and was a Fellow and President of the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology as well as a Fellow of the Collegium International Neuro-Psychopharmacologium. He was a very proud father and grandfather, who celebrated the childrens' successes as they pursued their chosen paths. He found inspiration in nature, literature, philosophy and the fine arts.

Memorial Service: January 24 at 4 pm at the Greater Nashville Unitarian Universalist Church, 374 Hicks Road, Nashville, TN 37221. In lieu of flowers please consider donating to the scholarship fund at Vanderbilt School of Medicine "In Memory of Dr. Fridolin Sulser" (Vanderbilt Gift Processing, PMB 407727, 2301 Vanderbilt Place, Nashville, TN 37240-7727) or to the Friends of Radnor Lake "In Memory or Fridolin Sulser" ([www.radnorlake.org](http://www.radnorlake.org)).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fridolin Sulser*

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“ *Sorry for the loss of your dear loved one. Death is an unnatural pain that we go through in these critical times. But the Bible assures us that "death will be no more".(Revelation 21:4) What a time to come! jw.org has very comforting information that I'll grantee without a doubt. Check it out*

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