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Dr. Robert Schaefer, a beloved physician and educator, who specialized in both gastroenterology and internal medicine for nearly 50 years, passed away on Feb. 12, 2018. Dr. Schaefer was an associate professor of clinical medicine in the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology. He was affiliated with NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital, the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center and the Hospital



for Special Surgery. Dr. Schaefer was a graduate of Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons and completed his residency training at Vanderbilt University.

Weill Cornell Medicine expresses its deepest condolences to Dr. Schaefer's family including his wife, Mary Jean Kreek, MD, senior attending physician and the Patrick E. and Beatrice M. Haggerty Professor at Rockefeller University. Dr. Kreek, an adjunct associate professor of medicine at Weill Cornell Medicine, is an authority on the molecular, neurobiological and genetic basis of, and novel treatments for, addictive diseases, and well-known for her pioneering work in the development of methadone maintenance therapy for heroin addiction.

Dr. Schaefer will be missed by patients, colleagues, and trainees alike.

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