



History of the Taraskiewicz Memorial Award

On March 24, 2007 John Anthony Tarskiewicz died in an automobile accident that left his friends, family, loved ones and co-workers in shock..

“Tony” as he was known was memorialized by his peers / co-workers (past and present) as well as by the entire perfusion community to which he belonged at the 2007 Wisconsin Perfusion Society’s Spring Conference. At the close of that meeting it was suggested that the Society honor Tony’s name by establishing a memorial.

Over the following year, members of the WPS, both active and retired, formed the “Tarasckiewicz Memorial Achievement Award Committee”. This committee felt that Tony’s memory would be best honored by recognizing an outstanding achievement by a student for service, concept, or methodology in the field of perfusion. At one point during his career as a perfusionist, Tony served as a clinical instructor for the Masters in Perfusion program at the Milwaukee School of Engineering. He was able to bring a different prospective in perfusion to the students and will be remembered for that by them.

Those individuals or corporations that wish to contribute to this memorial in order to help the Wisconsin Perfusion Society recognize deserving students can do so by

PLEASE MAKE THE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

“THE JOHN TARASKIEWICZ MEMORIAL ACHIEVEMENT FUND”

and

Mail to:

Scott Brown, WPS Treasurer
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Your generosity will insure the Wisconsin Perfusion Society's ability to honor "Tony's" name and at the same time help students continue their education.