



## In Memoriam - Dr. William L. Weston

Dr. William (Bill) Weston, one of the founding members of the Society of Pediatric Dermatology (SPD), passed away on November 13 at the age of 84.

Bill served as the Chair of the Department of Dermatology at the University of Colorado for 25 years and was a leader in Pediatric Dermatology for half a century. Dr. Weston created the Genetic Skin Disorders Clinic at the University of Colorado in 1998. He was an accomplished clinician and scholar, authoring over 300 publications, including seminal works on neonatal lupus and erythema multiforme. He was author of *Pediatric Dermatology DDx Deck* and lead author of the *Color Textbook of Pediatric Dermatology, 4th Edition*, which is used by clinicians worldwide and has been published in 4 languages.



Bill was SPD President in 1983-1984 and was Program Director for several early SPD Annual Meetings in Aspen (1977, 1982 and 1986). The SPD created the William Weston Research Grant in 1995 to honor Bill's service to the SPD and to recognize clinician / research excellence among our younger members. This award has been passed to PeDRA and re-purposed as the Weston Pediatric Dermatology Career Development Award.

Dr. Weston was on the board of directors of the American Academy of Dermatology from 1980-1983. He was named in Best Doctors in America, and received the Alvin H. Jacobs Award (Dermatology) from the American Academy of Pediatrics, as well as the Career Teaching Scholar Award (Department of Pediatrics) from the University of Colorado School of Medicine.



Despite his many of accomplishments, Bill was always humble and self-effacing. According to colleagues at the University of Colorado, he modeled humanity in patient care and approached each patient with humility and curiosity. Bill was a peds derm icon and a gentle, kind, and humble man. He helped to set the culture for our field.

Donations can be made to the [SPD Foundation](#) in memory of Bill Weston. The University of Colorado has also established a [Pediatric Dermatology Endowed Fund in Honor of Dr. Weston](#) that is now available for support.

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