

Recently, I learned of the passing of Lorraine J. Day, MD. Dr. Day was a graduate from the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) School of Medicine and former Chief of Orthopedic Surgery at the San Francisco General Hospital in the mid-80's. Dr. Day passed at her home in Thousand Palms, CA. She was 86 years old.

Dr. Day focused her orthopaedic career interests in the developing subspecialty of orthopaedic trauma. As one of the first women in orthopaedic trauma, she promoted the foundation of the Orthopaedic Trauma Association, which today is the preeminent academic organization in musculoskeletal injury care worldwide. She authored several books and news articles, and received teaching awards recognizing her contributions. Throughout her career, she received considerable media attention for her controversial views on surgeons acquiring AIDS through blood-borne exposures and alternative treatments to cancer care. She is survived by her two sons, Spencer and Stewart and grandchildren.

On behalf of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at both the Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and at the UCSF School of Medicine, I would like to extend our condolences to her family, friends, and close colleagues.

Sincerely,
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