

*Doctor's story*

DOCTOR HERBERT SONGER

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I AM DELIGHTED TO BE IN LINCOLN TODAY TO HELP THE PEOPLE OF THIS COMMUNITY HONOR THEIR FRIEND, DR. HERBERT SONGER.

IN EVERY COMMUNITY OF OUR STATE, THERE ARE AT LEAST ONE OR TWO VERY SPECIAL PERSONS -- INDIVIDUALS WHO DISTINGUISH THEMSELVES NOT ONLY IN THEIR CHOSEN PROFESSION BUT IN THEIR COMMITMENT TO THE BETTERMENT OF LIFE IN THEIR HOMETOWN. IT MAY BE THE TOWN GROCER, THE LOCAL MECHANIC, THE FARMER'S WIFE -- MAYBE EVEN THE TOWN POLITICIAN -- A PUBLIC-SPIRITED INDIVIDUAL WHO IS EAGER TO VOLUNTEER HIS OR HER TIME ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY.

DR. SONGER IS SUCH A MAN. HE HAS SERVED THE PEOPLE OF LINCOLN NOT ONLY AS AN OUTSTANDING PHYSICIAN, BUT AS A FRIEND -- A MAN WHO ALWAYS FINDS THE TIME TO WORK FOR HIS CHURCH, TO HELP HIS FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS THROUGH THE LIONS CLUB, THE MASONS, THE VFW, AND OTHER COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS.

THAT'S WHAT MAKES HERB SONGER SUCH A SPECIAL PERSON IN THE HEARTS OF THE PEOPLE OF LINCOLN COUNTY. AND, LOOKING BACK AT HIS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE IN WORLD WAR II, IT SHOULDN'T HAVE COME AS MUCH OF A SURPRISE TO THE PEOPLE OF LINCOLN THAT THEIR HOMETOWN BOY WOULD RETURN FROM THE WAR WITH THE DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO MAKE LINCOLN A BETTER PLACE IN WHICH TO LIVE.

AND I KNOW THE PEOPLE OF LINCOLN SHARE WITH ME A DEEP SENSE OF LOSS THAT DR. SONGER WILL NO LONGER ACTIVELY PRACTICE MEDICINE HERE, AND I KNOW THEY JOIN ME IN WISHING DR. SONGER AND HIS WIFE, DARLENE, A LONG AND HAPPY RETIREMENT.

Doctor Herbert Songer  
(wife Darlene)

- I. Attended High School In Lincoln
- II. Attended K.U. Medical School  
Graduated in 1938
- III. Veteran of WWII
  1. Silver Star
  2. Bronze Star
  3. Oak Leaf Cluster on the Bronze Star
  4. Came ashore at Normandy on D-Day
- IV. M.D. in Lincoln since 1945
- V. Also--
  1. Lincoln County Coroner
  2. On Lincoln County Hospital Board
  3. On Mid-America Nursing Home Board
  4. Active in Methodist Church
  5. Member of Lyon's Club, Masons, VFW
  6. Not just a doctor, a freind of the community.