

Arthur L. Boland, MD  
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Arthur L. Boland, MD, was born on November 3, 1935, and raised in Lynn, Massachusetts. He started his sports career early, as a three-sport athlete in high school. Following this he attended Cornell University (1952-1957) where he captained the 1956 football team and received the 1957 Cornell "Most Outstanding Athlete" award.

He graduated from Cornell University Medical College in 1961, completed his internship and residency in surgery at the New York Hospital, and subsequently entered military service as a Commanding Officer of the 731 Medical Detachment, 7th army training area in Germany. He finished his residency in orthopaedic surgery at the Harvard Combined Orthopaedic Surgery Program, Boston, Massachusetts in 1968, where he also served as Chief Resident at Massachusetts General Hospital. At Children's Hospital Medical Center in Boston, he completed a research fellowship in orthopaedic surgery.

Dr. Boland has cared for a broad range of athletes serving as Head Orthopaedic Surgeon for Harvard Athletics, (since 1975) Assistant Team Physician for the New England Patriots and the Boston Bruins, Consultant for the United States Rowing Association and Team Physician for the United States National Hockey Team.

In 2001, Dr. Boland received the prestigious "Mr. Sports Medicine" award from AOSSM and also served as a "Godfather" for the AOSSM Pacific Rim Traveling Fellows, mentoring 3 young sports medicine physicians while touring various countries. Dr. Boland has served AOSSM in many capacities, the most important of which was President from 1995-1996. In addition he served on several committees some of which include, Membership, Program, Nominating, and Outcomes.

Dr. Boland is a nationally and internationally recognized figure in Sports Medicine. He has lectured extensively giving over 300 presentations and has served as Visiting Professor several times. He also served as President of the Herodicus Society from 1981-1982, and was elected as the only non-Harvard alumnus of the Thomas B. Quigley Sports Medicine Society to serve as its President.

Dr. Boland has served the greater good from his time in the US Army to educator and mentor for hundreds of students and residents. He is known by his colleagues for his understated intellect, warmth and humility and respectful approach to the specialty of sports medicine.

Dr. Boland has been married for over 40 years to Jane, and enjoys his four children and his grandchildren.