

Kenneth E. DeHaven, MD

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Born February 14, 1939, he is a native of Dayton, Ohio. A 1957 graduate of Fairmont High School, he attended Dartmouth College and captained the 1960 football team. After graduating in 1961 he entered Dartmouth Medical School, receiving a BMS Cum Laude degree in 1963. He then transferred to Northwestern University Medical School where he was AOA and received his MD degree in 1965. His postgraduate education was at the Cleveland Clinic, finishing his Orthopaedic residency in 1972. This was interrupted by serving as a medical officer in the US Navy from 1967 to 1969. He received his sports medicine education during his residency from Past President H. Royer Collins, and also spent 3 months getting additional sports medicine training from Past President (and AOSSM Hall of Fame member) Fred L. Allman, Jr. in 1970.

After completing residency he remained on the faculty of the Cleveland Clinic Orthopaedic Department (working with Roy Collins and fellow Cleveland Clinic resident graduate and Past President John Bergfeld) until moving to Rochester, NY, in 1975 to join the full time faculty of the University of Rochester Department of Orthopaedics as the Director of Athletic Medicine. In July 2005 he transitioned to part-time Professor of Orthopaedics, continuing to be involved in teaching, clinical research and providing non-surgical care for sports related knee problems. Since 2004 he has been the Senior Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs at the University of Rochester Medical Center and Director of the University of Rochester Faculty Practice Group.

Dr. DeHaven was one of the first to apply arthroscopy to an Orthopaedic Sports Medicine practice starting in 1972. He has been a full time faculty member involved in teaching, patient care and clinical research his entire career, and has been a mentor to many residents and fellows. He has also served as team physician for high school, college and professional teams, beginning during residency and continuing today. Throughout his career he has authored or co-authored more than 83 scientific papers, contributed 34 textbooks or chapters in textbooks, and given numerous invited lectures nationally and internationally. He is probably most recognized for his work on the meniscus, especially meniscus repair.

Dr. DeHaven is also recognized as a leader in Orthopaedic Sports Medicine and Orthopaedics. He has served on several AOSSM committees (Research and Education, Program, Traveling Fellowship, Nominating, Hall of Fame), the Council of Delegates, and as an officer (Treasurer 1984-87 and President 1991-92). He is also a past president of the Herodicus Society, the Arthroscopy Association of North America, the International Society of the Knee (a parent society to ISAKOS) and the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons.

His contributions to the field have been reflected in his AOSSM awards and honors, including being selected as Godfather for the 1990 ESSKA-AOSSM Traveling Fellowship to Europe, the AOSSM Mr. Sports Medicine award in 1997, and being the AOSSM John C. Kennedy Memorial Lecturer in 2003. In addition he received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Bay Area Knee Society in 2001 and was awarded Honorary Membership in ISAKOS in 2005.

He and his wife Jean have been married for nearly 40 years and are proud of their daughter Kathleen.