



Roger Billica, M.D.

August 22, 1954 - November 16, 2025

Dr. Roger Billica, M.D., was born August 22, 1954, to Dr. Harry and Ruth Billica in Greenville, North Carolina. Growing up, he was active in swimming and band and was also very active in Boy Scouts. As an Eagle Scout, he was very busy in the Order of the Arrow and working at summer camp for the East Carolina Council.

He was awarded the Morehead Scholarship to the University of North Carolina where he majored in chemistry and played French horn in the orchestra. He attended the UNC School of Medicine from 1976–1980. He completed a family medicine residency in Phoenix, Arizona, at Good Samaritan Medical Center from 1980–1983 where he also served as Chief Resident in his third year.

As the physician at the South Rim Grand Canyon Clinic, Roger performed helicopter rescues and saved lives on the trails of the Grand Canyon. He then served four years in the U.S. Air Force, attaining the rank of major. As a flight surgeon for Luke Air Force Base's F-15 and F-16 squadrons, he kept our nation's pilots flying.

As Chief of Medical Operations Branch at the NASA Johnson Space Center, Roger saw to the health of our nation's astronauts and their families. He manned the Flight Surgeon console in Mission Control for 67 space shuttle

missions and cared for astronauts returning from space. Roger had a major impact on the success of the Shuttle-Mir program, which required several trips to Russia. He directed the development of the Automated External Defibrillator (AED) that today saves lives everywhere. He developed emergency techniques and surgical procedures for use in zero-gravity environments such as the Space Shuttle and International Space Station. In 2019, Roger was inducted into the Space Technology Hall of Fame for his work in developing the SpiraFlex Interim Resistive Exercise Device (IRED) which enabled astronauts to maintain muscle and bone health in space.

He met his wife, Linda, at NASA in 1990, and they married in 1991. Their beautiful daughter, Caitlin, was born in 2000 and promptly wrapped her dad around her little finger. In 2001, Roger left NASA and moved his family to Fort Collins, Colorado, where he founded TriLife Health. He thus began his journey of Functional, Integrative, and Preventive Medicine. He became known for his innovation and great care for patients. At the time of Roger's passing, TriLife Health had grown to include three physicians as a busy medical practice.

To mention other notable experiences, Roger briefed a U.S. president at Johnson Space Center and once did a personal favor for the Israeli prime minister. He also appeared on a national morning news show.

He really loved Colorado and being outdoors in the mountains. Some of his other interests included painting, whitewater rafting, hunting, reading, and watching reruns of old Western TV shows. He loved vacationing with his family, playing mini golf, and doing trivia questions during supper. As a dad, he was loving, supportive, fun, and humorous. He always encouraged his daughter's creative pursuits, including helping her type up and illustrate a story, and he frequently interacted with Caitlin's stuffed animals.

He is survived by his wife Linda and daughter Caitlin; his brother Bill, sister-in-

law Karen, nephew Brad, and niece Jenna; his brother Barry and sister-in-law Anne. He is preceded in death by his brother Glenn and his parents Harry and Ruth.

Roger lived the Word of Jesus Christ in his daily life and practice. He often gave away his time to his patients and poured out his life for his patients unto the end.

For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come (II Timothy 4:6)

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN **24**. 10:30 AM (MT)

Front Range Baptist Church
625 E Harmony Road
Fort Collins, CO 80525

With Air Force Military Honors

Tribute Wall

MA

“ I walked into Dr. Roger’s office yesterday to see him and show him how healthy I am and for him to see how far I have come in my health journey. As I was waiting to speak to the receptionist, I learned of his passing by the tribute on the wall. I was shocked to learn this! I was really feeling pulled to go by his office so he could see the difference in me.

In 2018 I was referred to doc, by another local Functional Med Dr. that felt he had done all he could do for me!

At the time, I was barely functional. My symptoms were so severe that I could not eat, sleep, work, or even get out of bed. I could not even form a logical sentence when speaking. I was 80 lbs and was on the verge of death.

After the lack of help from the other Dr. I felt discouraged and so was my husband. We did not get real answers from the former Dr. after spending big \$\$\$ on it. After my first appointment with Dr. Roger, I finally felt comforted knowing I was in the right place to get to the bottom of what was going on. After traditional medicine, two other Functional Dr.s, my husband joined me for an appointment. My husband was in tears telling Doc that he wanted his wife back. Doc looked him straight in the eyes and told him that He would never give up on me and he would do everything in his power to get his wife back.

I trusted and believed that with God, Dr. Roger’s faith and his excellent care, that I would get better.

After four years of his protocol and care along with diligent compliance, I rounded the corner of getting better. Then came the rebuilding. I finally got to a place I could walk my dog again which led me to be able to work out again. I can now say that I am now a new and improved version of my old self. I have learned so much during the journey and have studied to become a Certified Holistic Health and Nutrition Coach. He taught me so much and gave me my life back.

Dr. Roger, I am so blessed to have had you in my corner. You are brilliant! I remember praying and telling God that if he saved me that I would use my experience to help others!

You are a light that will be with me always Dr.Roger. I will do what I

*can to help keep your work going on by sending people to your clinic!
Rest Easy knowing you have given so many people hope and healing!*

Mitzi Albo - April 22 at 05:27 PM

SL

“ *As a patient with ECS Dr Roger paved the way for me to step into health. After becoming a wellness coach specializing in detoxification, I referred many patients to his practice. What an extraordinary innovator. I hope his loved ones are comforted because he accomplished what God sent him to do while on the earth. I thank his family for sharing his life with so many patients. Susan Lake, MEd. Purification Concepts.*

Susan Lake - March 31 at 08:24 PM

CS

“ *I met Dr Roger when I had a cancer diagnosis in 2016. When I learned of his passing, I sat & cried. I cried for myself, knowing that I would not see him here any longer. I cried for his family & friends. I cried for others who will never have the opportunity to be treated so kindly as I was.
His gentle demeanor and understanding were very calming for me. His knowledge was unbelievable. I will always remember Dr Roger for his help & concern when I was blindsided by my own body. I rejoice for Roger as he is with Jesus, and I pray blessings for those he left behind.*

Cherri Scheidecker - February 24 at 12:56 PM

BH

“ *Dr. Billica will forever be in our hearts. He was extremely helpful in setting our daughter the road to recovery for Lyme Disease. We live in Texas and drove to Ft. Collins and stayed there for treatments for 6 months. He was always so kind and encouraging. We had hoped to drive back up soon for another visit. We know he has a special place in HEAVEN! Much Love from the Householder family!*

Brenda Householder - January 28 at 11:45 AM

CS

“ *Words can't express what Dr. Billica did for me over the years. I became a patient the first year he started his practice in Ft. Collins. In that first 2 hour meeting, he promised me he would never stop trying to help me. I think I saw him every single year after that. His promise bore fruit. He unraveled a tangle of issues that gave me back my life and I went on to become a successful artist. There were many setbacks over the years but I had Dr. Billica to always get me back on track. He became my friend. He wanted to retire and be an artist. We had many talks about it. But he couldn't stop helping people like me. I am so grateful to God for him. Someday in heaven, I hope to see many, many Roger Billica paintings. God bless his family — I pray for peace and comfort for them.*

Cydney Springer - January 24 at 01:53 PM

JC

“ I'm so saddened to hear about Dr. Roger Billica. I, like countless others, am forever indebted to Dr. Roger for founding Tri Life Health. Tri Life Health has had such a positive impact on my quality of life after my cervical dystonia ("no cure") diagnosis more than a decade ago; to this day, my condition has been almost completely reversed thanks to Tri Life Health.

I am lifting up heartfelt thoughts and prayers at this incredibly sad time.

*With deepest sympathy,
Janice Clark*

Janice Clark - January 24 at 01:39 PM

SL

“ It was shocking to hear of Roger's passing. Such a sad day to loose such a respectable, kind and compassionate person. I had such respect for him throughout our business together. I remember being so intimidated to come to the clinic for the morning rounds to give the clinicians updates on new and improved supplements. I thought what can I share that can engage Roger to want to know more. I did eventually find my way and found his weakness, chocolate which I always had in briefcase. I know he will be healing those in the afterlife and continue his learning. I'm so sorry the world has lost such an amazing Man.

Sharon Lynn - January 24 at 01:08 PM

NF

“ After i was diagnosed with cancer i searched for alternative treatments and Drs who would treat that way. I am so glad I found Dr Billica, he was one of a kind! Never afraid to think differently, and a truly giving man. I will miss his intuitive genius, and his kindness; I am forever grateful, and thank his family for sharing him. May God hold his family in the palm of his hand. Blessings
Noreen Flood

Noreen Flood - January 24 at 12:33 PM

RM

“ Dr. Bill, Billica Family, and Tri-Life Health family,

Losing a loved one and influential leader is always a shock. His loss will continue to be heavy, but our memory of Dr. Roger will always be very present. We are thankful for his vision and impact on the community.

Many blessings to each one of you.

Roxana & David Mullaney

Roxana C Mullaney - January 24 at 12:28 PM

DH

“ So very sad to hear of Roger's passing. We met in second grade. His mother was our Cub Scout den leader and his father was our Boy Scout, Scout Master. We shared many camping experiences together. We graduated high school together. At our 45 th class reunion he approached me and offered assistance with my throat cancer. I was able to visit him twice in Fort Collins to try some therapies. It was great to reconnect with Roger and his brother Billy. A truly great all around person and friend. He will be missed.

DON HOWARD - January 24 at 12:01 PM

JA

“ My Husband and I have been with Dr. Billica for more than twenty years and will miss him greatly. Words cannot express the deep appreciation and respect we have for him not only an incredible physician but also as a man of profound faith. I know the Lord would say of him, "well done my good and faithful servant".

Our deepest condolences to you his family. May the Lord grant you peace as you walk through this most difficult time. May He give you comfort in knowing that his amazing legacy lives on the lives of many.

Rich and Janet Runkles

Janet - January 23 at 05:48 PM

CW

“ I was deeply saddened to hear about the passing of Dr. Roger Billica. He was not only a brilliant physician but also an incredibly compassionate and kind person whom the Lord used to make a lasting impact on the lives of all he encountered. His love for Christ and those entrusted into his care shined through with every interaction.

I will be forever grateful for Dr. Roger and the impact he made upon my life. My deepest condolences to Dr. Roger's family, friends and loved ones. May the Lord comfort you by His spirit and give you peace. Dr. Roger will be greatly missed and never forgotten!

*Blessings,
Chiquita West*

Chiquita West - January 23 at 05:51 AM

SB

*I am deeply saddened by the passing of Dr. Roger. He introduced me to healing through FSM. After a bad accident, I lost the ability to walk and visiting his clinic and working with his clinic, I was able to greatly reduce the pain and walk. I also met others there whose lives were improved, saved and thanks to everyone at the clinic life was better. God will take good care of him. We all will carry him in our hearts.
David & Susan Doherty*

Susan DeNoble Doherty, MA, PMI, LSS Blac - January 23 at 02:15 PM

KH

“ So saddened by this news. I regard Dr. Billica as the best doctor I’ve ever had! He has helped my entire family. So grateful to him for his wisdom and skill. I’m sure he has helped so many! What a meaningful life he has lived! Prayers for his family. Blessings, Kellie Hart

Kellie Hart - January 22 at 11:37 PM

MM

“ After being sick for years, I had been told by traders Drs that “Everything looks great “. I was fortunate enough to see Dr. Roger. On my first visit he actually listened to me, put his hand on my shoulder and said “honey, we’re gonna get you better “. After peeling back the layers of Lyme and mold illness he did indeed get me better. Forever grateful to this kind healer heart.

Mary Marovich - January 22 at 06:09 PM

PS

“ I just received the email about Dr. Roger Billica’s passing this morning. I was so sad to hear the news. My condolences to his family and those at Tri-Life.

I met Dr. Billica I believe in 2003 or 2004 when I was fortunate enough to be referred to him by way of a friend in California who knew someone who had gone to him in Ft. Collins. I had been in a chemical accident at work and the main stream doctors were bought off by my company and came close to killing me. So much for safe white collar engineering jobs.

I was so sick I have no idea of how I drove up there from east of Colorado Springs. He looked at my 2 foot stack of previous tests and put them aside. Dr. Billica said “Do you realize you only have one test result to go down and you will die?”. I am not sure how he did it but he selected only three tests for me to take home and then send off. Bingo, not only did I have chemical poisoning but the test showed lead toxicity. A treatment plan was made and I slowly improved. I went from so much pain and over medication that I could hardly walk or use my arms to being able to ride a horse again!

I made a number of trips to Ft. Collins and the rest of the appointments by phone for a number of years to try to get rid of the chemicals and what they caused. Dr. Billica was such a caring, wonderful and talented person and doctor. He saved my life and I will be forever grateful that I found a doctor who not only really cared about people but was a top-notch doctor. I thank God I found Dr. Billica. He has touched many lives and will be greatly missed.

Pat Sloss

Pat Sloss - January 22 at 01:07 PM

RS

“ I met Dr Billica at TriLife Health. He was a kind and generous soul and I am truly honored to have known him. 🙏

Rose S - January 22 at 12:22 PM

TW

“ Dr. Billica changed my daughter's life. His care made a tangible difference in her being able to pursue college and a career, and not being able to do so. So often an autism diagnosis leaves parents feeling helpless. Dr Billica just explained it as an onion in need of peeling back layers so as to understand what was going on at a biologic level and addressing what we found. Didn't mean all things could be addressed. But just the analogy and willingness to "peel back the layers" and see what could be addressed was something he took on when many doctors do not - at least in my experience. Surely Dr. Billica is home in the Lord's arms for while here he did good. My daughter is living proof of that good.

Theresa Wrangham - January 22 at 12:13 PM

GI

“ So sad to hear about his passing. Dr Billica was very patient, determined, and wise beyond comprehension. Many years ago I struggled with my mental health. It wasn't until I met Dr Billica that I found out I had thyroid issues relating to my depression. He helped me tackle the root of my issues face on. I couldn't have done it without him. He will be so missed. Rest easy, Dr.

Giulia - January 19 at 12:29 PM

MP

“ *Mountain States Health Products lit a candle
in memory of Roger Billica, M.D.*



Mountain States Health Products - January 14 at 06:22 PM

SR

“ How do I remember Dr. Roger Billica? He was our amazing Flight Surgeon in the Air Force in Arizona, late 1980's. Not only a remarkable doctor for our entire family, but the organizer of White River Rafting trips for the squadron! Always a blast of an experience with the Doc as the leader!

As my husband retired from the AF and went to work for Boeing in Seattle, I began having issues with multiple areas of arthritis and wondered if it was connected to my Multiple Sclerosis diagnosis. I reached out to Dr. Billica, since I learned of his new business opening in early 2001, Tri-Life Health.

After visiting and a number of tests, Dr. Billica let me know the arthritis was NOT connected to the MS, but recommended changing my diet, and I started working with their nutritionist, Cindy.

Consequently, I still had appts with Dr. Billica when I visited family in CO and then phone appts with him regarding lab results from annual Wellness visits. He has been the medical 'balance' in my life for well over 20 years! When medical doctors prescribe medicines to solve problems, Dr. Billica would seek out 'why' the problem was occurring! He investigated the "CORE" reason and solved that problem. He was a 'true detective' when it came to patients' concerns and not just into covering up issues with pills.

ALL that were privileged to have Dr. Roger Billica as a doctor, friend, associate, family member, know he has left a huge void in our lives! On the other hand, God now has an extraordinary Angel in His midst!

God Bless Linda and Caitlyn! One step at a time!
Shirley Riegsecker

Shirley Riegsecker - January 10 at 05:36 PM

KG

“ My Fort Collins physician recommended Dr. Roger to me after I was diagnosed with late stage Lyme disease. Once I was diagnosed, it was estimated that I had had Lyme infections in my body for over 30 years. Even though many people struggle for years (after diagnosis) to recover from a case as bad as mine, once I started working with Dr. Roger, I was able to recover in one year. I will always deeply appreciate his authentic compassion, his faith, and his skills as a physician. May you truly rest deeply in peace, Dr. Roger.

Katharine Gregory - January 07 at 02:54 PM



“ I found Dr Billica in the early 2000's and saw him through all his years at TriLife Health. He was a remarkable man and I considered him a caring doctor and friend who really cared for my health. What a profound loss for all of those who knew and trusted him. Ellen Holmes and Family

Ellen Holmes - December 22, 2025 at 02:57 PM

DT

“ Dr Roger Bilica was my physician for the last few years. I came to him for complimentary care during treatment for cancer. Like most of his patients I was at first perplexed by his means to reach a diagnosis, but then came to trust his conclusions. As he would say; it has somewhat mystical aspects. The breadth of knowledge that he brought to the treatment of patients was beyond compare. He is a “healer” in the purest sense of the word. Without his care I would not have come out on the better side of my experience. Furthermore, had I not met him, my daughter's lyme disease would have gone undiagnosed and she would have continued to struggle with such a debilitating disease. If it were not for Dr. Bilica, she would never have been healed. I am forever grateful for his service to me and my family and will greatly miss him.

Dillon Tidwell - December 19, 2025 at 01:38 PM

DN

“ 2 weeks ago I learned about Roger leaving us. In that time, The Holy Spirit, our Comforter has given me this Testimonial, that I have witnessed through the 20 years of my brother in The Christ, Jesus. Roger loved His Father with his New Heart, Transformed Mind and with all his soul. Roger and his Love for his fellowman was always displayed. "and Jesus Fulfilled The Virtue of the Law when His Spleen on that Cross was Pierced, and that Scarlet Blood of Compassion Flowed over us, As a River of Living Water of Grace, Mercy and Love. Roger

! John 3;16-17, Roger wasn't about the world's goods, but gave to me and his fellow brethren "The Means of our Zoe Life Eternal. Rev 7:14, "these are those,, out of the great tribulation, who washed their robes of wool, in the Blood of their Fathers' Innocent Lamb and made them Gleaming White,

Heb 12:1 "Roger completed His Race. He has joined the past 2000 years of the Cloud of Witnesses encompassing us. He is now in His Father's House where there are Many.

Rev 22:2 "and the Leaves of The Tree of Life will be used for the Healing "of The Nations" Roger, "who was, and who is and will always be is a Leaf of that The Tree of Life".

2 weeks ago when I called Fort Collins in pain, Roger reached down to me from The Third Heaven, Touched me, and my healing of mind, body and soul once again began its Healing Process. It is about Roger.

David Novic - December 18, 2025 at 11:39 AM

CS

“ *What a loss, a faithful man who God used mightily to serve others and be a blessing to so many. My deepest condolences go out to Dr Roger Billica's family and the Tri-Life team.*

I met Dr. Billica at a health conference in 2003. I was so impressed by his genuine compassion and wisdom that I followed up with an appointment and continued under his care to present. After my initial appointment most of my care was by phone conference since I live in Ohio. That worked well until I was diagnosed with leukemia in 2022 and since have made several trips to Colorado.

After testing and discussing results and a treatment plan, it was always nice to chat a few minutes about important things like family - how Linda and Caitlin were doing or his hunting adventures and sometimes getting an up-date on Dr. Lance and his wife.

Caitlin, just mentioning your name brought great joy - you could hear it in his voice. He was so proud of you, and I am sure rightly so. Some time ago I selfishly ask him if he was planning to retire anytime soon. He shared that he had to work at least 5 more years because you were a senior and then had college plans. The time has flown - you have graduated at least a year ago or two or maybe more.

Many years ago we were having a discussion about nutrition and the vegan diet and Dr. Roger said he had a list of questions he was going to ask the Lord when he got to heaven and the one specifically I remember was why were we allow to eat meat after the flood.

Heaven is where Jesus is, and I understand, it is an awesome place and we will be falling on our knees in worship. So my thought is when Dr. Roger got to heaven did he throw away his list?

I'm so thankful God allow us to cross paths.

Carol Snyder

Carol Snyder - December 17, 2025 at 11:10 PM

FF

“ *It is with a heavy heart and warm memories that I write this.*

I worked with Dr. Roger for over a decade and he never gave up on me. Every time I went to see him, he was patient, focused, and compassionate. Talking to him about his paintings in the office and about his hunting trips made his smile even brighter and I will never forget that about him. I know we would have continued to unravel new layers of healing in the years to come and I will miss working with him.

I very much admire the culture he created at Tri-Life Health for both patients and staff. I will never forget his kindness and perseverance.

May his family know how very much he has done for the world. My condolences.

Felice Fenwick-Smith

Felice Fenwick-Smith - December 17, 2025 at 03:51 PM

RF

“ My physician for 15 years and so much more, Roger gave me hope about my functional aging issues, new ways to treat patients, and how to build a better world. From appointment #1 I felt heard, valued and understood like no other patient-doctor experience. Shocked that he has left us and I wish I could tell his family how much he meant to me and this community Might we all live a life full of such kind, generous, and respectful interactions. He's a giant in my eyes, a friend I wish I could have spent so many more hours with outside of our clinical relationship. May his wife and daughter know how wonderful a human being he was and how much of an influence he played in this community. I will miss him greatly and hope I might live a life modeling much of what he taught me. Peace
Rich Feller Ph.D

Rich Feller - December 11, 2025 at 02:07 PM

CA

“ Precious in the sight of The Lord is the death of His saints. I have been in treatment with Roger since 2014 with stage four head and neck cancer. I started with traditional medicine, but apparently wasn't my time yet. I was introduced to Roger and his staff. He had a huge part in not only saving my life here but also in what is to come. We mourn our loss of him but the Kingdom is rejoicing in receiving him.

Chris Alexander - December 11, 2025 at 09:07 AM

NS

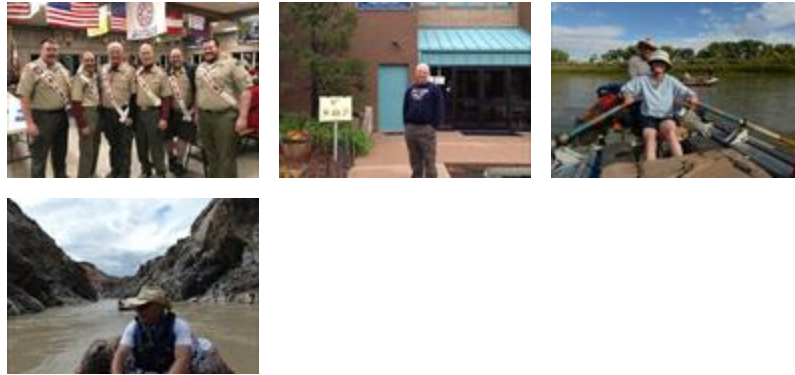
“ As many here have mentioned, my life would likely have already ended were it not for this man. And I would have missed out on valuable lessons from which every person I encounter derives benefit. And by this process I think I will feel blessed all my life. I thank his Lord Jesus for this blessing as I am sure Roger would himself.



Nikki of Steamboat - December 08, 2025 at 09:30 PM

JD

“ 4 files added to the album OA and Rafting



Jay Dunbar - December 07, 2025 at 01:20 PM

KS

“ I was stunned and in disbelief when I heard that Doctor Roger had transitioned. He had not been well himself when he saw me on my last visit. He had been working with me for 2 years on recovering from a diagnosis of Stage 4, Follicular Lymphoma. I managed to get through 5 chemo treatments in Australia before making it back home to Colorado.



I found Doctor Roger through an online cancer survivor named Chris Wark who shared about RGCC blood testing. I contacted RGCC. At that time they had only 3 docs using their testing in Colorado. Doctor Roger was the ONLY one of the 3 who would do just the testing and share my results with me. I was so frustrated with traditional medicine over my lifetime that I was reticent to trust another MD.

Doctor Roger held a phone consultation with me about my blood test results. I was so disarmed and intrigued by this kind and soft spoken man that I decided to book an appointment and meet him personally. He was a wonderful, gentle and truly caring soul whom I connected with immediately. He utilized an energy testing methodology I knew very well and trusted implicitly. I felt at peace with him and trusted how and where he guided me in the past 2 years of my healing.

Doctor Roger was SO much more than "an MD." He revived my belief that there are other MD's who still truly care about their patients and love them through their illnesses. It will be hard to find another whom I can place my faith and trust in. I am so sad he has left the human realm, but I know God has other plans for his soul. So much incredible knowledge, wisdom, love, kindness, and generosity have departed with this incredible man. He made a huge difference in my life and the lives of so many others he helped through his lifetime.

May the blessings of Peace and God's Love fill the lives of all who

experience the loss of our beloved Doctor Roger. Fare Thee Well my friend and trusted physician! Until we meet again!

With immense gratitude for all you have given and shared, Karen Sargent

Karen Sargent - December 05, 2025 at 04:12 PM

DC

“ *The East Carolina Council and all of Dr. Billica's Scouting friends and family back here in North Carolina share our condolences, thoughts and prayers as we honor a man who meant so much to our Scouting Community. May God give strength and peace to all who loved and cared for Roger.*

Dwayne Jones- East Carolina Council - December 05, 2025 at 09:39 AM

DN

“ *Dr. Billica has made major impacts on the Scouting program across the country. His service to the East Carolina Council and Croatan Lodge is all over our history here. Our Eastern NC Scouting Historical Society will have a place in our future museum to share his legacy. Sail On Brother. I look forward to catching with you around another campfire one day. Your Hoop Dances were awesome!*

Dal Newbold - December 05, 2025 at 09:13 AM

JD

“ Roger’s involvement with and service to Scouting spanned his lifetime. He grew up in the East Carolina Council where he and his Dad and brother played a major role in the development of the Bonner Scout Reservation. Roger became an Eagle Scout, Croatan Lodge Chief, and Vigil Honor in the Order of the Arrow. He was an accomplished Hoop Dancer.

In 1975 he was the youth lead of the Inductions Enrichment training at the National Order of the Arrow Conference, where he was recognized with the Distinguished Service Award (DSA). From 1975-1980 he served as a reviewer in the Ceremonial Advisory Group (CAG), working particularly on programs to help Scouts develop leadership skills.

As a member of the National Order of the Arrow Committee from 2018 to 2021, Roger championed “Polestar,” the first national-scale Inductions training, seeing it through to acceptance through tireless networking and coordination with other members.

I knew him first at NOAC in 1975, and later as we laughed together over Firesign Theater and Monty Python in his apartment in Chapel Hill. Then through our work in CAG. After a hike on the Appalachian Trail in 1978, he invited me to a New Years party in Chapel Hill where I met my first wife. In 2014 he took my wife Kathleen and me on a rafting trip in Colorado and Utah.

Roger’s warm and earnest personality, his humor, his competence touched everyone he met. With his wife Linda and daughter Caitlyn, his brother Bill, the staff he worked with daily and his wide circle of friends we share our grief at his passing and our love and memory of this remarkable man. His was a life of service well-lived.

Accompanying photos show him with OA brothers Gary Harvey, Paul Lackie, me, Rob Evon, Ryan Showman at Bonner—at Tri-Life and on the Colorado.

Jay Dunbar - December 04, 2025 at 09:21 PM

NB

“ When my husband and I thanked Dr. Billica last August for his expertise and years of kind, humble care through three cancer chapters, and for helping to keep my cancer at bay, his response was a refreshing surprise. Instead of taking that thank you as an opportunity to bask in his successes and skill and lauds, he leaned back in his chair and humbly said, "Russ and Naomi, I'm not God; you're not God. I have used the same protocols that I used on you on other patients. Some of them died. Some of them got better. I do what I can, but it is God who decides in each patient's life what is best for His purposes and plans." That same genuine dependence on God was consistent with how He asked Jesus to help him find the truth through the tests he performed.

Although we knew him only as the doctor we traveled 1000 miles each year to consult with, his death has felt like the death of a trusted friend. We respected the way he lived out his faith in Jesus. We admired how he respected his staff and how they stayed with Tri-Life over the many years we saw him. And yes, we heard long ago that his career move to Ft. Collins was at least partially so his little daughter could grow up in the Colorado climate instead of Houston. Thanks, Caitlin, for being partially responsible that his love for you made him available to all the patients sharing on this site, and myriads more. Gratefully, Naomi and Russ Bennett

Naomi Bennett - December 04, 2025 at 06:59 PM

KA

“ 1 file added to the album Scouting



Kandi - December 04, 2025 at 05:52 PM

KA

“ 8 files added to the album Tribute Wall



Kandi - December 04, 2025 at 05:50 PM



“ My heart deeply goes out to everyone in Dr. Roger's family and to everyone at Tri-Life Health. I am so deeply sad to hear of his crossing. What a precious gem to this planet. Even though I only knew him through Dr. Bill and Vicki, I believe we are all one and this sure touches the heart of many hugely. Much Love Light and Prayers to all of you! So much love!



Judy Trimbur - December 04, 2025 at 05:36 PM

RM

“ To the family of Dr. Billica and all of his staff at Tri-Life I want to express our deep sorrow at your loss, but also thank you for sharing Dr. Billica with those of us that needed him so badly. There has never been any doubt in my mind that Dr. Billica saved my life after seeing seeing other drs for 5 years that could not or would not help me. His kindness, compassion, intellect, and humility made him an outstanding physician and wonderful human being. He will always have a place in our hearts for the gift of life he gave us.

Robert&Pam Mack, Lakewood

Robert Mack - December 04, 2025 at 04:20 PM

GI

“ I have tears in my eyes as I read the impact Dr. Billica had on SO MANY lives! I am one of these stories. God led me to him when I was told I needed to remain on maintenance chemo every three weeks indefinitely. I was diagnosed with stage four breast cancer in 2020 and survived the nasty chemo. I knew remaining on it was not quality of life. He gave me hope and a path forward I am forever grateful for his practice and the way cared for me.

One of the memories I have of him was when I saw him and my numbers were a bit elevated and he paused to take a moment and asked me to look outside of his office window at some children playing by the lake. He was praying! I loved how he included God in his care. So thankful I will see him again in heaven. To his family, friends and other patients I pray that you are held closely and comforted by our gracious heavenly Father at the loss of this incredible man of faith. I am pretty sure he heard the words, "Well done my good and faithful servant", when he entered into heaven!

Ginger - December 02, 2025 at 06:22 PM

BK

“ At a time when I was reeling from hearing about a diagnosis of cancer, I was given Dr. Roger's name and number. From the first day I met with him he beamed and aura of understanding, hope, and compassion. Every time I went to see him he was always unrushed, willing to listen and always had a solution available. When I heard of his untimely passing I was devastated, and had such a rush of emotions that it surprised me.



This man has influenced the life of so many people in such a meaningful way that there really can't be a memorial that would do him justice. A rare, wonderful person who was robbed of life way too soon. A hole is left in the universe, but there remains a wake of benevolence, giving and love that shall remain forever. To say he is missed is a gross understatement. Thank you Dr. Roger for all you have done for this world. Thank you for what you have done for me. You are missed.

Bill Knapp - December 02, 2025 at 05:21 PM

VB

“ Vera Bassy lit a candle in memory of Roger Billica, M.D.



Vera Bassy - December 02, 2025 at 12:30 PM

JU

“ Dr. Billica gave me my life back. I had numerous infections after breast cancer. I didn't have any once I started seeing him. He will be sorely missed.

Julie - December 02, 2025 at 08:20 AM

CM

“ Dr. Billica was a class act doctor. I loved his faith. I remember the verse he quoted me my first visit. I knew I was on the right place. He was over the top in professionalism, knowledgeable about everything pertaining to me, love his sense of humor. He worked countless hours to help me. He showed integrity, honesty, kindness and love. He was one in a million doctor. Way ahead of the curve in alternative treatment.

Dr. Billica you will always be special to me and many others. Now you are seeing Jesus face to face. Wow. You have finished the face..well done thy good and faithful servant. Praying your family is wrapped in His Amazing grace. Deepest condolences to all of his family and his family at work. Nothing more beautiful in the sight of the Lord than one of His saints 🙏 Ps 116:15.

Carol Modellmog - December 01, 2025 at 11:23 PM

KS

“ My life was also saved by Dr. Roger. When conventional doctors controlled by Big Pharma wanted to take my life by stuffing me with really bad drugs, Dr. Roger had another plan. When other doctors criticized and shamed me for my choices as a teenager and young adult, Dr Roger congratulated me on turning my life around. His words were the kindest I had ever heard. 20 years you put up with me and I am so grateful. The world seems less safe with you not in it. I did many many of his protocols but the one that was so frowned upon by my family and friends turned out to be the best thing I ever did for my lupus. Coming to your clinic for 7 weeks, 5 days a week with Mon - Thur. having colloidal silver I.V's for 8 hours every day and the Fridays for I.V's of all kinds of good stuff like glutithione. People said I was going to turn blue and die, we laughed that I should paint my face blue just to freak people out. Thank you Doc for really saving my life and I hope to see you on the other side (but not anytime soon:) I love you!!! Kim Stiner

Kim Stiner - December 01, 2025 at 10:39 PM

TI

“Hearing this news hit me hard. Dr Billica made a huge impact in my life and my health. For so many years I was passed from Dr to Dr and nobody could figure out why I felt so horrible. I was told many times that it was just in my head. A friend recommended Dr Billica. He changed so much for me. He listened. He cared. He dug in to the root and never gave up. I trusted him - even after I lost all hope and all trust in the medical system. He showed up. He was truly amazing. I always knew that when something felt off - I got in to see him and he ALWAYS fixed me! I'll never forget him and the light he brought to my life.

Tiffany - December 01, 2025 at 09:58 PM



“My heart is grieving over the loss of Dr. Billica. So blessed that I received the blessing of being one of his patients. He saved my life. He taught me so much that changed my life and the lives of my family. He had a profound effect upon my life. There is no one that can take his place. He was extraordinary in every way. I am blessed to have experienced and to have had the opportunity of knowing him for almost 20 years. Thank you Lord for the blessing of Dr. Billica. To Linda, Caitlin and the entire staff at Tri-Life, my sincere condolences to you. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Angela Richelle - December 01, 2025 at 08:33 PM

AS

“ We are so saddened by Dr. Billica's passing. We send prayers and thoughts to comfort his family, friends and associates through this time of sorrow and loss.

Dr. Billica was an amazing man. We cannot say enough about him. A man whose compassion and dedication to his patients was unbounding.

When our son's PCP recommended Dr. Billica to us, we didn't hesitate. Our son saw Dr. Billica for several years - untangling all of the physical conditions one by one. Without Dr. Billica's guidance and interventions, our son would have been relegated to treatment only through western medicine using pharmaceuticals. Those treatments would have compounded his physical conditions.

We are forever grateful for our son's healing journey with Dr. Billica. He will be missed deeply by all, but will rest in peace with the Lord.

Al and Sue Stone

Al and Sue Stone - December 01, 2025 at 08:09 PM

SM

“ I am still reeling from this news. Roger was just the best in every way: kind, thoughtful, intelligent, and a great doctor. What an incredible journey he created for himself, living his life to the fullest, a shining light of imagination and ambition, with an amazing sense of adventure. My heart goes out to everyone close to him. Hang in there, Bill... I cannot imagine the impact.

Take care.

Sandra (Miller)

Sandra Miller - December 01, 2025 at 04:06 PM

TS

“ A great man, it brings joy to know he's with the Great Physician.

Tom and Nicole Schweickert - December 01, 2025 at 03:54 PM

BQ

“ Dr. Roger was the kindest man. I was a patient of Dr. Bill's and had dropped off a plant for him as I was moving back to Atlanta. Dr. Roger insisted that he interrupt Dr. Bill so that I could have a proper goodbye. What a sweet gesture on his part. I know he positively affected thousands of lives and my deepest condolences go out to his family and the staff.

Betty Quave - December 01, 2025 at 03:23 PM

SG

“ During the most darkest seasons as a mother, Dr. Billica was that ray of light and hope for my daughter. His knowledge, his insight, and his care and compassion helped my daughter tremendously more than anyone could. My prayers go out to his entire family. He was a great man and a fabulously gifted doctor.

Stephani G. - December 01, 2025 at 02:51 PM

AS

“ Twenty years ago we were in a Small Group with Roger, Linda and Caitlin. Roger always shared insightful, wise comments about what we were studying in the Bible. I also remember when Roger and Linda donned their NASA uniforms for the Liberty Common students. That was a big hit:)

Angie Selgren - December 01, 2025 at 02:37 PM

VB

“ I was deeply sorry to hear about the passing of Dr. Roger Billica. In this very sad and difficult time for your family we send our very deepest sympathy. You lost irreplaceable loved once, we lost irreplaceable and incredible physician with huge heart, compassion, kindness and love to people. **MY MOST HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES!** Vera Bassy & Family

Vera Bassy - December 01, 2025 at 02:30 PM

DB

“ After my stage 4 lung cancer diagnosis, Dr. Roger Billica MD came highly recommended by Designs for Health supplement company. I was so grateful to be under his care as a palliative cancer patient. His kind demeanor and highly professional functional medicine care gave me hope to press on and not give up. It is touching to read about the vast affect of his well-lived life. The sweet fragrance of his life remains in our hearts and memories. My heart goes out in sympathy to his wife and daughter. 2 Tim. 4. 7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful. 8 And now the prize awaits me—the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me on the day of his return.

Diane Baer - December 01, 2025 at 01:27 PM

CM

“ Our family is so saddened and devastated about the loss of Roger. Dr Billica helped us immensely in some serious health struggles and his kindness and compassion were instrumental in recovery. Dr. Billica had almost felt like a family member as he worked with all of us, for the last 18 years. He is already tremendously missed by all of us, and we are so sad to learn of his passing as it is clearly a huge loss for us and so many that cared so deeply about him. Prayers for his family, and I hope he is able to explore the universe with complete freedom now.

Christine McDonald - December 01, 2025 at 01:09 PM

JS

“ I first met Dr. Billica when he was just started his practice here in Ft. Collins. It was just him and Vicky in his office back then. I continued to see him over the years for different health issues. What an incredible caring, intelligent and patient man. We also shared the same faith and I know he is with the Lord now and it is incredible. Looking forward to seeing you again friend. My condolences to his wife and daughter. My prayers are with you. What a life well lived!
Jim Stegner

Jim Stegner - December 01, 2025 at 12:19 PM

AF

“ Roger is a person who will forever be a part of the light which continues to shine on in me and the many family, friends, and patients he ministered to throughout his life. It is a genuine privilege to have met, spent time with, and gotten to know an individual such as you Roger; and for this opportunity, I am eternally grateful. You were merely a small drop in a vast ocean, but you tirelessly carved out beauty. I know you are at peace with God the creator my friend. MH

ATHANKFUL FRIEND - November 30, 2025 at 12:58 PM

JP

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James M Perry - November 29, 2025 at 05:02 AM

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James M Perry - November 28, 2025 at 12:00 PM

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James M Perry - November 28, 2025 at 11:56 AM

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James M Perry - November 28, 2025 at 11:55 AM

JR

“ *My heart is absolutely breaking as I try to put into words what Dr. Roger Billica meant to me. He took a chance on me when I was just 19 years old. I was a young mom, fresh out of college, and still figuring out who I was, and he chose to mentor me, guide me, and believe in me. For almost 19 years, I had the privilege of working side by side with a man who changed the entire direction of my life.*

I grew up at Tri Life Health. I learned how to care for people there. I learned how to listen, how to lead, how to think differently, and how to truly help someone heal. Everything I know, everything I became in my career and so much of who I am as a person, came from what he poured into me. I am a better mom because of him. I am a better human being because of him.

The impact he had on my life is something I will carry forever. And what humbles me even more is knowing I am only one person. Countless patients, families, and those who knew him could tell their own stories of how he changed their lives for the better. He lived his purpose so fully, so quietly, so powerfully.

It was one of the greatest honors of my life to work alongside him for nearly two decades. I will forever be grateful for the wisdom he gave me, the lessons he taught me, and the way he shaped my beliefs and my heart. Thank you, Dr. Billica, for everything. I will miss you more than words can say.

Jessica Rayburn - November 27, 2025 at 02:40 PM



So beautifully articulated Jessica. Such beautiful words to describe a man who had such profound effect upon so many. Our hearts are grieving.

Angela Richelle - December 01, 2025 at 08:18 PM

KP

“ *Krissie Pate lit a candle in memory of Roger Billica, M.D.*



Krissie Pate - November 27, 2025 at 01:22 PM

LB

“ *Dr. Roger saved my life, and was the kindest and most brilliant man. I am so saddened to hear of his passing and my love goes out to his family as well as all of the wonderful people at Tri-Life. I am so grateful and blessed to have known him and been under his care.*

Lisa Bynum - November 26, 2025 at 07:57 PM

RD

“ *What a man. What a life. What a loss. Our deepest condolences go out to Dr. Roger's family and the whole Tri-Life team on his sudden passing. In the course of our lifetime, if we're lucky, we cross paths with a few people who are shining lights of compassion, wisdom, faith and hope. Dr. Roger was all of these and a truly generational medical talent who helped so many people. So thank you God for letting me and my family cross paths with Dr. Roger and thank you Dr. Roger for all you gave to this world. Rest well my friend. You will be terribly missed. With much love.*

Rob & Daniela Davis - November 26, 2025 at 03:02 PM

SR

I worked with my senior resident for only one year, but grew to love his easy manner and fun personality. Later, I thrilled to his stories of piloting F-16's in the Air Force. He was a great friend for the short time I knew him. Rest in peace, good brother.
Steven Reeder

Steven Reeder - April 17 at 12:56 AM