

Dr. Fraser N Gurd

Chair of the Department of Surgery 1944-1946, 1963-1968



Dr Fraser N. Gurd was born in 1914 and was a graduate of McGill class of 1939. He completed a Rotating Internship at Johns Hopkins and a Senior Internship in surgery at the Montreal General Hospital. He then served in the Canadian Armed Forces during World War II. In 1946 he completed the Harrison Surgical Fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania and joined the surgical staff of the Montreal General Hospital in 1947. He served as a member of the Committee on Trauma. He was a Governor and then a Regent of the American College of Surgeons. He was the Scudder orator in 1976 and served as President of the Central Surgical Association and the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma.

He served as Chairman of Surgery at McGill from 1963 to 1968. In 1971, he joined the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and worked collaboratively to develop the system leading to specialty certification. In 1985 Dr Fraser N. Gurd was awarded the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada Duncan Graham Award in Education. The Canadian Medical Association awarded the FNG Star Award for outstanding achievement. Dr Fraser Gurd exemplified a lifetime pursuit of excellence, standing on the shoulders of his father and grandfather before him. The family changed the face of surgery in Canada. They have had a lasting impact on trauma and surgical care that continues to shape our systems today.

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