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Big City Physicians Make Home in Small Town Community

Albany, MO, July 12, 2013 - The big city life was all that Drs. Arturo & Genoveva Tenorio were used to. Growing up in Peru and attending medical school in Lima (population 5 million plus), the Tenorio's were accustomed to the hustle and bustle of the big city. They had no idea that they would someday move to a rural community and spend much of their lives there to raise their family and practice medicine.

After finishing medical school in Lima, Peru, they headed to New York for postgraduate training where Arturo did his surgical residence and Genoveva completed her Pediatrics residence. The Tenorio's then moved to Columbia, Missouri, where Arturo participated in a two year fellowship program focusing in cardiovascular surgery. But Medicine was not the only focus of the couple, as Arturo and Genoveva together were raising four ambitious young girls, Gema, Elizabeth, Monica and Teresa.

Columbia, Missouri was a vibrant college town and a great place to raise a young family. So when the Tenorio's received a phone call regarding two physician openings in Stanberry, Missouri, the couple had to evaluate their options.

Ultimately, the family chose to move to Stanberry and made the journey on May 27, 1979. "Our youngest daughter, Teresa, just turned one when we moved. We literally celebrated her birthday with a cake on top of boxes," recalls Genoveva. She continues, "We thought working in a rural community would be a good experience for a short time. Our plan was to stay a couple of years."

The Tenorio's started working with Dr. Albert Carlin at his Stanberry office on May 29, 1979. Then in 1981, the Tenorio's were approached by Northwest Medical Center to help fill the medical needs in Gentry County. At the time, there were only two practicing physicians in Gentry County. The Tenorio's agreed to set up a private practice in Albany where they worked part time and the other half in Stanberry. "People welcomed us with open arms and we began to feel like we had a second family here in Stanberry," states Genoveva. "We almost signed offers to work in larger towns, but people were so friendly and welcoming that we decided to stay a little longer."

Indeed they stayed longer, 34 years longer, as the Tenorio family has called the area home for several decades.



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The Tenorio doctors also credit the rural community for not only a great quality of life, but also as the catalyst to building the foundation of their daughter's successful careers. "We have four daughters who are all professionals. The smaller school environment was excellent. You always hear about the larger schools and how great they are, but the school in Stanberry was wonderful," states Genoveva.

Dr. Genoveva Tenorio was humble in her assessment of her children's professional success. Oldest daughter Gema followed in her parent's footsteps practicing medicine as an OBGYN in Omaha, NE. Elizabeth is a lawyer in Joplin and Monica works as a marketing director in Overland Park, MO. Teresa works in the security department for Citi Bank and is currently located in Germany.

The journey in rural Northwest Missouri continues for the Tenorio physicians as Genoveva works part time at Northwest Medical Center's Stanberry Rural Health Clinic and Arturo continues dividing his time between the Stanberry Clinic and his practice in Albany, now owned by Northwest Medical Center.

NMC's recent partnership with Dr. Tenorio will provide administrative oversight to the practice while Dr. Tenorio will continue providing quality care to his patients. "Northwest Medical Center has always been good to us. We have such a great relationship with the hospital," states Arturo Tenorio.

About- Northwest Medical Center has provided high-quality health services to residents in Northwest Missouri since 1957. Along with four satellite clinics and a full-service home-health agency, Northwest Medical Center continues its tradition of community healthcare utilizing leading-edge diagnostic equipment and boasting one of the top emergency room facilities in the region.

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