

FOOT & ANKLE

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It is with great sadness that I learned of Joe Reed's passing. Joe was one of the first physical therapists who provided foot care and foot orthoses, especially for patients with peripheral neuropathy. I first met Joe in 1976 when I was stationed at the US Public Health Service Hospital in Staten Island, New York. Joe taught me and many others how to make foot orthoses and shoe modifications for the diabetic patients. He truly was a pioneer in the development of foot orthoses for diabetic and Hansen disease patients. Any physical therapist who specializes in the foot and ankle, especially those with an interest in foot orthoses, should know they have Joe Reed to thank for being one of the pioneers and leader in this area of PT specialization.

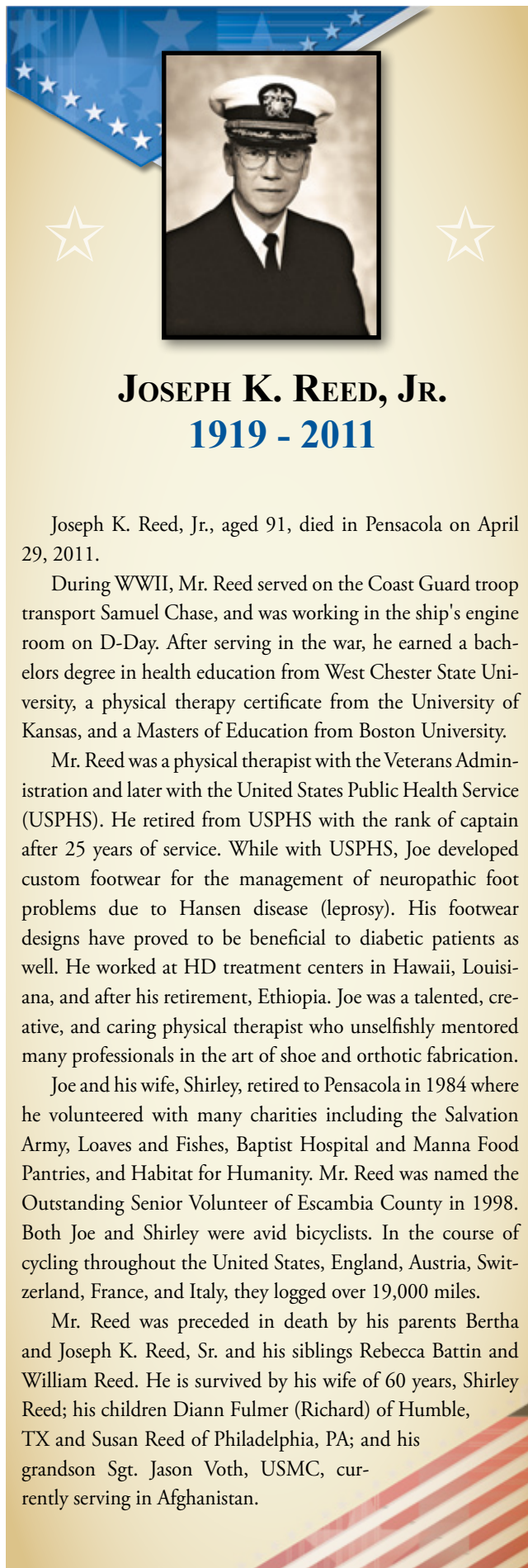
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HOOKED ON EVIDENCE

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Twelve clinical scenarios related to foot and ankle conditions have been added to APTA's Hooked on Evidence Web site (www.hookedonevidence.com). These scenarios are for management of patients with ankle sprains, ankle fractures, Achilles tendon injuries, overuse injuries, plantar fasciitis, and forefoot pain. The scenarios can be accessed in the Hooked on Evidence Web site by clicking the link titled Search Clinical Scenarios. From the first drop down box on this page, one would then select Musculoskeletal and then select from among the various conditions (eg, sprains, tendon injuries, heel pain). Each scenario includes a description of a typical patient with a condition and links all of the studies of physical therapy interventions currently in the database that are applicable to the scenario.

The work of J.W. Matheson, PT, DPT, SCS, OCS; Stephanie Albin, PT, OCS; Ann Dennison, PT, DPT, OCS; Rob Roy Martin, PT, PhD; and Evan Nelson, PT, DPT, in the development of these scenarios is greatly appreciated.



JOSEPH K. REED, JR.
1919 - 2011

Joseph K. Reed, Jr., aged 91, died in Pensacola on April 29, 2011.

During WWII, Mr. Reed served on the Coast Guard troop transport Samuel Chase, and was working in the ship's engine room on D-Day. After serving in the war, he earned a bachelors degree in health education from West Chester State University, a physical therapy certificate from the University of Kansas, and a Masters of Education from Boston University.

Mr. Reed was a physical therapist with the Veterans Administration and later with the United States Public Health Service (USPHS). He retired from USPHS with the rank of captain after 25 years of service. While with USPHS, Joe developed custom footwear for the management of neuropathic foot problems due to Hansen disease (leprosy). His footwear designs have proved to be beneficial to diabetic patients as well. He worked at HD treatment centers in Hawaii, Louisiana, and after his retirement, Ethiopia. Joe was a talented, creative, and caring physical therapist who unselfishly mentored many professionals in the art of shoe and orthotic fabrication.

Joe and his wife, Shirley, retired to Pensacola in 1984 where he volunteered with many charities including the Salvation Army, Loaves and Fishes, Baptist Hospital and Manna Food Pantries, and Habitat for Humanity. Mr. Reed was named the Outstanding Senior Volunteer of Escambia County in 1998. Both Joe and Shirley were avid bicyclists. In the course of cycling throughout the United States, England, Austria, Switzerland, France, and Italy, they logged over 19,000 miles.

Mr. Reed was preceded in death by his parents Bertha and Joseph K. Reed, Sr. and his siblings Rebecca Battin and William Reed. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Shirley Reed; his children Diann Fulmer (Richard) of Humble, TX and Susan Reed of Philadelphia, PA; and his grandson Sgt. Jason Voth, USMC, currently serving in Afghanistan.