

Dr. Marvin Kushner

1919-2002



- Born in New York City and earned his medical degree from New York University.
- Served as a pathologist in the War Crimes Branch of the 7th Army, where he was responsible for performing autopsy examinations of the victims of Nazi concentration camps.
- Conducted pioneering research on chemical carcinogenesis, particularly on the effects of cigarette smoke.

Dean of the School of Medicine 1972-1987

- Recruited from NYU to serve as the founding Chair of the Department of Pathology at SBUMC in 1970
- Appointed Dean of the School of Medicine in 1972
- During his tenure, the University established Stony Brook University Hospital.
- Credited with developing Stony Brook University School of Medicine into a world-class teaching institution.

“There is no teacher who is not obsolete within less than a year if he is not engaged in research activity, in keeping himself informed of what others are doing in his field, of relating it to his own work, of examining new advances critically.”

Excerpt from interview, shortly after the appointment of Dr. Kuschner as Dean of Stony Brook University School of Medicine