

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

I am sure the sudden loss of Jose Casamitjana, MD this spring has affected all of us. His friendship, knowledge, personality and hospitality are certainly missed. John Heller, Brad Currier and I brainstormed ideas about honoring Jose, and would like to invite you to an evening celebrating Jose's life.

Friday evening, December 1, we will gather at the Diplomat Hotel for dinner, drinks, toasts and tributes. Details are included in the formal invitation attached, but please note that *RESERVATIONS FOR THIS DINNER MUST BE MADE BY WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22!* We have to provide a guarantee and entrée selection for each attendee to the hotel on that date. So please RSVP to us at josedinner@gmail.com with your entrée selection, as well as the entrée of any accompanying guests. While we are grateful to CSRS for spreading the word to you about the dinner, Debbie and I are taking financial responsibility for the event; therefore, payments need to be made directly to me. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you.

We hope many of you will share thoughts or anecdotes of Jose. Please contact me if you would like to speak. If for some reason you cannot attend, please forward any thoughts or photos you would like to share.

Lastly, we have done all we could to keep costs low while providing all a fun and tasty event. Any funds left over will be donated to a foundation being planned in Jose's memory by his son, Marc. The focus of the foundation will be spine education.

We look forward to seeing you at what is sure to be, just like our friend, a memorable evening. Please contact me at bdarden14@gmail.com with any questions you may have.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'B. Darden', written in a cursive style.

Bruce Darden

Join us for
DINNER, DRINKS, TOASTS AND TRIBUTES
in loving memory of

DR. JOSÉ CASAMITJANA

Friday, December 1, 2017
The Diplomat Hotel
7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

\$150 per person
RSVP by Wednesday, November 22
with choice of entrée: Beef Filet, Salmon or Quinoa Risotto
josedinner@gmail.com

Please provide payment to Bruce Darden by

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