Robert Troia, M.D., received his medical degree from Creighton University in 1979. A leader in his profession, he quietly and selflessly gives his time and resources to those in need and is a loyal supporter of Creighton University.

Dr. Troia practiced as a pediatric ophthalmologist with his late father, Carl Troia, BS’46, MD’53, for many years and he currently maintains a practice with his brother Sebastian Troia, MD’76, and Sarah Wierda, M.D. Dr. Troia is one of the most respected pediatric ophthalmologist in the region and is known for his generous, yet humble and unassuming ways. He has been frequently honored by the Best Doctors in America and has been elected by his peers for inclusion in the organization from 2007 to 2016.

Dr. Troia has served at Creighton in many roles, including on the Medical Alumni Advisory Board for more than 20 years. He is a long-time advocate for honoring School of Medicine faculty and alumni and helped found the Crystal Caduceus Award. He also established the Katherine C. Troia Scholarship, in honor of his mother.

One of his favorite roles at Creighton was teaching students and residents. Mentoring has been a highlight of his work and his volunteer faculty service dates to 1985. Dr. Troia is a member of Alpha Sigma Nu and is the recipient of the Volunteer Faculty of the Month Award for the UNMC College of Medicine.

Dr. Troia has served as president of the Nebraska Academy of Ophthalmology, chair of surgery at Children’s Hospital and Medical Center, and has been an active volunteer and coach with Special Olympics as well as a generous supporter of many organizations in the community.

For his kindness and loyalty, and for his dedication to serving others, Creighton University is proud to confer upon Robert N. Troia, M.D., the 2015 School of Medicine Alumni Merit Award.