



Dr. Michael S. McArthur

May 5, 1940 - May 21, 2018

Memorial services for Dr. Michael Sullivan McArthur will be held Friday, May 25, 2018, 10:00 a.m. at Christ Episcopal Church Downtown with the Rev. Ted Welty officiating. The Very Rev. M.L. Agnew Jr. will assist. A reception in the Parish Hall will follow the service.

Dr. McArthur was born May 5, 1940 in Vernon, Texas to Thomas Foree and Margaret Sullivan McArthur. He attended public schools in Dallas and Mercedes, Texas, graduating from Hillcrest High School. He attended the University of Texas in Austin, where he was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and the Texas Cowboys. He received his M.D. degree from the University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston in 1966. He completed his surgical training at UCLA. His residency program also included a term at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, MD.

Dr. McArthur was a Lt. Colonel in the United States Army, serving at Reynolds Army Hospital in Ft. Sill, OK from 1973-1975.

His academic positions included Assistant Professor of Surgery at UCLA, GI Fellow at LA Wadsworth VA Hospital, Los Angeles and Assistant Professor of Surgery at the University of Oklahoma.

In 1976, Dr. McArthur and his young family moved to Tyler where he practiced General, Vascular and Thoracic Surgery until his retirement in 2001. He was a member of the American College of Surgeons and served as Governor from 1992-1998. He was President of the North Texas Chapter of the American College of Surgeons, a member of Texas Surgical Society, The Southern

Surgical Society and The Longmire Society.

From 1997 until 2016, Dr. McArthur served as Chairman of the Board and CEO of The Caldwell Foundation.

He is survived by his wife of fifty years, Harriet Caldwell McArthur; son, David Hayes McArthur and wife Jeannie; daughter, Michael Katherine McArthur Houck and husband Jason; son, Patrick Sullivan McArthur and wife Brook; and his grandchildren, Michael Edward McArthur, Ava Hayes and Michael Davis Houck, Grace Jean and Grant West McArthur. He is also survived by his sister, Susan Koons of Dallas; brother-in-law, Hayes Caldwell and wife Michele and many nieces and nephews.

Honorary Pallbearers are Dr. James B. Holton, Dr. Samuel Houston, Peyton M. Lake, Jay Ward, Stephen Wolf and Ron Wuensch.

The family would like to thank Dr. Molly Bankhead, Dr. Laura Ferguson and all those who cared for Dr. McArthur during the past few months.

If desired, memorials may be made to The Hospice of East Texas Foundation, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, Texas 75701.

Previous Events

Mem. Service

MAY 25. 10:00 AM (CT)

Christ Episcopal Church
118 South Bois d' Arc
Tyler, TX 75702

Tribute Wall

RK

“ *Harriet I just saw the obit on mike I am so sorry AS you know we were very close at Fort Sill Russ Kraeger*

rUSSELL Kraeger - June 30, 2020 at 05:23 PM

TF

“ *We remember Dr. McArthur for taking care of our little Darren when he was six yrs old. His older brother David had accidentally run over him on a riding lawnmower.*

Darren lost his left arm, spleen, several ribs and broke the femur in his left leg. He went to surgery seven times and was considered a miracle to be alive. Dr. Mc had a special bond with Darren because he had a son the same age..We have sent pictures for 40 yrs updating him about Darren and his precious family. We thank God for using Dr. McArthur to save the life of our precious son of 46 yrs. We send our heartfelt condolences to the family.

The James Dobbs Family - October 19, 2018 at 05:19 PM

NW

“ *Remembering fondly the years of International Bacculaureate advocacy!! Micheal lead our team!! Thankful for those years....*

Nancy Wrenn - May 28, 2018 at 01:39 PM



“ *Heartwarming Thoughts Boston Fern was purchased for the family of Dr. Michael S. McArthur.*



May 24, 2018 at 03:39 PM

LT

“ *Lynda Tippit lit a candle in memory of Dr. Michael S. McArthur*



Lynda Tippit - May 24, 2018 at 01:48 PM

SM

“ *I met Michael when I was 27 for thyroid surgery. He was one of the best surgeons. He and my husband John were close colleagues. The last time we met him he smiled as always and was always cheerful. Always a gentleman and friendly.*



*My prayers go out to family and friends. May you find peace in the great memories he has left behind.
May the Lord lift him up and give him peace.*

Sheryl Miller - May 23, 2018 at 06:22 PM

JW

“ *Harriett,
Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers. I have walked this path and know the feelings that go with it. May you feel the peace that comes from God.*

Joanne Williams - May 23, 2018 at 05:22 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Dr. Michael S. McArthur.*



May 23, 2018 at 04:01 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Michael S. McArthur.*



May 23, 2018 at 02:46 PM



“ *Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Michael S. McArthur.*



May 22, 2018 at 03:14 PM



“ *Dr. Mike was one of the doctors that saved my life and I am forever grateful. His legacy as a true gentleman, healing surgeon and kind friend is forever in my memory. Heaven has a new hero today and Deepest condolences to his dear family.*



Holley Howard - May 22, 2018 at 02:22 PM

JB

“ *My sincerest condolences. Dr. McArthur was a kind, wonderful man.*
Jan Bowers

Jan Bowers - May 22, 2018 at 12:09 PM