



Dr. Terrell Davis "Ted" Blanton

April 18, 1938 - April 12, 2017

Dr. Terrell Davis Blanton (Ted) went to be with his Lord and Savior on April 12, 2017. He was born on April 18, 1938 to George T. and Wynona Davis Blanton. He passed away due to injuries after a fall in January 2016. Ted was a devoted husband, loving father, adoring grandfather, and a caring physician. He leaves to cherish his memory his wife of 60 years Barbara (Yarbrough) Blanton, two children: Douglas Blanton and Dianne Watson (Michael), and six grandchildren: Ruth Ellen, William, and Wesley Watson, Chase Blanton, and Ted and Lillian Dickey. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Donna Michelle Dickey.

A graduate of Millsap's College in Jackson, Mississippi, he was a member of Alpha Epsilon Delta Honors Society. After graduating from The University of Mississippi Medical School in 1962, Dr. Blanton practiced medicine for fifty-five years. He was a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, Fellow of the Academy of Otolaryngology, Paul Harris Fellow and the President of the Central Medical Association in Jackson, Mississippi. He was a member of the American Medical Association, the Tennessee Medical Association, the Mississippi State Medical Association, and the Southern Medical Association. He loved his patients and cared for them with a healer's heart.

Ted served in the Navy from 1961- 1974 where he earned the rank of Commander. He received many commendations for his exemplary service. The discipline and patriotism he learned in the Navy never left him as his

family and friends can attest.

He was an artist and musician. He played the banjo, drums, guitar, and piano. He was a member of the band The Docs of Dixieland, which cut records and played at events such as The Satellite Ball in Washington D.C. (He was known to dance the night away with his wife at Presidential Inaugural Balls.) Since moving to Shelbyville, he has enjoyed nearly weekly meetings with the R.O.M.E.O. Club (retired old men eating out), reading books suggested by friends and family, and recounting the stories of his childhood and bragging about his grandchildren to anyone with two good ears.

Throughout his life, he was an active member of the Church. He and Barbara attended First Baptist Church in Shelbyville, where he was a Deacon. Ted was a Gideon, taught Sunday School, and loved the members of his Sunday School class.

He will be greatly missed by his former patients, friends, the community, and his family.

Visitation will be held at First Baptist Church on Sunday, April 16th from 2-5 PM with service following.

Feldhaus Memorial Chapel is assisting the family.

Ott and Lee Funeral Home, Forest MS will assist the family in Mississippi.

Visitation is 5-8 PM Monday at Ott and Lee Funeral Home, Forest, MS.

Service will be at 11:00 AM Tuesday at Good Hope Baptist Church (7676 Old Highway 80, Lake, MS).

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Hinds Community College, where Barbara and Ted met, in Ted's name.

Hinds Community College

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Tribute Wall

BS

“ I am sad to hear about Dr. Blanton. I was very fond of him. He was such a kind person. He was extremely intelligent and knowledgeable but was on the other hand very modest. I remember quite a few interesting conversations with him. My heart goes out to his lovely wife, Barbara, and his family.

Bob Scruggs - April 16, 2017 at 12:02 PM

WH

I, as well as the rest of my family, was a patient of Dr. Blanton. He was the most professional, knowledgeable, and compassionate doctor with whom we have ever come into contact. Above all, he was a true Christian gentleman who was always ready to pray for his patients. He was a rare treasure.

William Hudson
Formerly of Brandon, MS

William Hudson - August 16, 2019 at 02:48 PM

RW

“ Robin WRIGHT lit a candle in memory of Dr. Terrell Davis "Ted" Blanton



Robin WRIGHT - April 13, 2017 at 07:07 PM

DD

“ Lilly and Ted are sad they have lost the grand-papa. They remember how he taught them to drive the golf cart. Alllllll over his yard! And he didn't even get upset when they ran over Mimi's flowers. Although he did think about whether we should tell her or not...



Dan Dickey - April 13, 2017 at 02:25 PM

EH

“ Ted had a delightful humor, I loved hearing his stories. Thoughts and prayers are being sent to all the Blanons.
Elaine and Steve Hale

Elaine Hale - April 13, 2017 at 01:01 PM

RB

“ What a wonderful life Ted lived,he shared all his knowledge and exciting memories when ever I saw him, in the office or just talk on the phone.I learned something new every time.Ted was someone who took the time to listen, that made him very special. Rhonda B

Rhonda bissonnette - April 13, 2017 at 10:35 AM

DT

“ Doris Throneberry lit a candle in memory of Dr. Terrell Davis "Ted" Blanton



Doris Throneberry - April 12, 2017 at 09:14 PM