



Dr. James R. Powell

May 27, 1927 - March 13, 2015

Dr. James R. Powell, 87, passed away on March 13, 2015, at Baptist Memorial Hospital-Golden Triangle in Columbus. Dr. Powell was born May 27, 1927, in Fulton, the son of the late Rupert and Effie Katherine Ernest Powell. He was a Baptist, but attended First Christian Church in West Point. He was a Medical Doctor at Ellis Clinic in West Point, specializing in Family Practice from 1956 until 1993. He was a United States Navy Veteran. He married Kay Wood on June 1, 1947, in Red Bay, Alabama, and they were married for 67 years. After retirement in 1993, Dr. Powell maintained his Medical License in order to fulfill mission work in Honduras, Belize, and Africa for the next 15 years. He and his wife traveled extensively. He was an avid golfer and loved water skiing. He held his private pilot's license. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister: Bonnie Lois Powell.

Funeral services will be March 16, 2014, at 2:00 P.M. from Calvert Funeral Home Chapel with the Reverend Dr. Stanley Ballard officiating, and assisted by Reverend Kirby Lloyd. Burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery in West Point. Calvert Funeral Home of West Point is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include His Wife: Kay W. Powell; His Two Daughters, Donna Powell Davis and Karen Powell all of West Point; Two Granddaughters: Jama Davis Killingsworth (Todd) of Brandon, and Sara K. Algood (Jesse) of Hoover, AL; and Two Great Grandchildren: James Davis and Katherine Maddox

Killingsworth both of Brandon; His Sister, Gladys Umfress of Bartlett, TN; and Several Nieces and Nephews.

Pallbearers will be Todd Killingsworth, Jesse Algood, Jerry Umfress, Charles Brand, Ted Berry, and Jack Elliott.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Men's 90 & 9 Sunday School Class at First Christian Church.

Memorials may be made to The American Heart Association, P. O. Box 16808, Jackson, MS 39236 or to Global Outreach International, Post Office Box 1, Tupelo, MS 38801.

Visitation will be Sunday 5:00-7:00 P.M. at Calvert Funeral Home.

Friends may leave an online condolence at www.calvertfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

IP

“ So sorry to hear of your Dad's passing, Donna. You and your family are in our prayers.

Imogene Fulgham Parker - March 19, 2015 at 08:44 PM

IP

“ Imogene Fulgham Parker lit a candle in memory of Dr. James R. Powell



Imogene Fulgham Parker - March 19, 2015 at 08:42 PM

JM

“ Kay, you and your family are in my Prayers. Love you, Marianne Middleton

janet Middleton - March 17, 2015 at 07:30 PM

LM

“ Lisa Montgomery lit a candle in memory of Dr. James R. Powell



Lisa Montgomery - March 15, 2015 at 04:22 PM

PH

“ Bob joins me in sympathy and prayer that you will feel God's love and comfort as you face this time of great loss. Christ's Peace.
Priscilla Allen Harper

Priscilla Harper - March 15, 2015 at 04:17 PM

ES

“ Dr. Powell was extra nice to my Aunt and Uncle, Pauline and William Rothert. They were his neighbors as well as his patients. I know they will meet again in heaven. Condolences to all his family and friends.

Emily Bedford Schepens

Emily Bedford Schepens - March 15, 2015 at 03:05 PM

FS

“ My most sincere condolences to all, particularly Karen.

Francis Springer - March 15, 2015 at 01:06 PM

RM

“ Dr. Powell was my doctor as a child/teen. He was always very comforting and had a great sense of humor. I loved him as my doctor. He will be missed but I have so many wonderful memories of seeing him at his office at The Ellis Clinic. Kay, Karen & Donna: Know that I am praying for you all.



Richard L Moore - March 15, 2015 at 12:02 PM

DF

“ Dear family, I was sorry to hear about Dr Powell's passing. We know where he is because the way he lived his life. He never faltered in his faith, his Christian faith he shared with everyone. He delivered both of my girls, I had some complication with my second one but with his tender hands and voice we got through it. Both oh my girls loved him even when they had to get a shot. He healed us through , measles , chickenpox, mumps, many colds. He made house calls when needed, he knew I was a very young Mother with very little to no money. If one of us was sick, unlike today he only charged for one Office call. He would put Melinda on one knee and Lou on the other, telling them what was wrong and what he had to do to get well. Lou was so accident prone, one Sunday, she stepped on a needle going in her foot the XRay showed it laying by her bone. He removed it, she stuck her finger in her daddy's AC fan in his truck, she ran to the car with door open tripped and split her lip open, she stuck her finger in some liquid Roach Poison thinking it was candy I guess, pumped her stomach. All of these happened on a Sunday morning for some reason. He was there for us, at that time you got to use your own Dr not just who ever was on duty. Mrs Powell I am sure there were times his need to be with a patient may have altered a plan you had for the day, God knew what he was doing when he put the two of you together.

I could go on and on but will share this little part, my girls were 14 months apart, befor I left hospital with Melissa (Lou) he came to my room leaned on the window and said in a voice I wasn't familiar with, said I don't want to see you here in next year with a Machille. A way to say we are going to start using birth controll because my body needed to heal. Ha

Our family loved him very much, and appreciated all of his services and his loving care, there were times I know my life hung on a line but he got me well.

Love to all of you,

Darrellene McNeel Fulgham

Darrellene McNeel Fulgham - March 15, 2015 at 11:27 AM

DF

“ I traveled with Dr. Powell and his wife Kay, daughter Karen for a month all over Europe in the summer of 1979. It was a great trip and we all became friends. We have kept in touch over the many years since that trip. Dr. Powell was a great man and I am so thankful to have known him.

My heart-felt sympathy goes out to Kay, Karen and Donna.

Love you all.

Doris E. Fox

Baltimore, Maryland

Doris E. Fox - March 15, 2015 at 10:47 AM

AB

“ My sympathy goes out to all of you. We have lost a good man here on earth. He was our family doctor and always knew what to do to make us well. He took phone calls at home, came by your house and met you on Sunday morning if you needed to be seen. This was always before church. Not only was he our doctor, he was in our church family and our friend. I know he was taken from his family many times so he could help others. Just know tha my thoughts are with you.

Anglyn Lytal Busby

Anglyn Lytal Busby - March 15, 2015 at 10:12 AM

TT

“ Our deepest sympathy to the entire family. We were so richly blessed by the years we were in West Point and knew Dr. Powell. He was one of the most gracious men we knew. Prayers of love to you all. Tim and Bonnie Teater

Tim and Bonnie Teater - March 14, 2015 at 08:03 PM

ST

“ *With sympathy and friendship,*

Susanne Allen Thomas

Susanne Allen Thomas - March 14, 2015 at 02:39 PM