



Dr. Harvey Banks Wright, Sr.

May 23, 1936 - June 2, 2014

Dr. Harvey Banks Wright, Sr., affectionately known as "Hobby" by his grandchildren and friends, passed away on June 2, 2014 at University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, Miss. with his wife and children by his side. A celebration of his life will be held on Friday, June 6 at First United Methodist Church. Visitation will be at 2 p.m., and the service will follow at 3 p.m.

Harvey was born in Bastrop, La. on May 23, 1936 to the late Dr. Leonard Sr. and Ida Wright, He attended Central High School in Memphis and went on to attend Georgia Tech and the University of Mississippi. Harvey received his medical degree from the University of Tennessee. He practiced ophthalmology for 36 years at the Laurel Eye Center. Harvey was a member of the active medical staff of South Central Regional Medical Center and served as medical staff president in 1973.

Harvey was an active and faithful member of First United Methodist Church, where he served on the Board of Stewards, Staff Parrish, Council of Ministries, and enjoyed his Tuesday morning men's prayer group. He had a love for animals and previously served as president of the Laurel Animal Rescue League.

He is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Joy Turner Wright; a son, Dr. Hal Wright of Memphis; daughter, Dr. Mindy Ricketts and son-in-law Charles Ricketts of Memphis; daughter, Susie Fisher and son-in-law Dr. Keith Fisher of Laurel; brother, Dr. Leonard Wright and sister-in-law Peggy Wright of

Memphis; and sister Ida Mason of Hooksett, N.H. Harvey was "Hobby" and hero to his eight grandchildren, Turner Fisher and wife Claire Fisher of Memphis; Mary Grace Fisher of Alpharetta, Ga.; Joshua and Darby Fisher of Laurel; and Wright, Jordan, Rachel and Luke Ricketts of Memphis.

Harvey loved his God, his family, his friends and his farm.

Memory Chapel is in charge of the arrangements. To view and sign the family guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Tribute Wall

BP

“ *Grieving for my Friend Mindy.*

Brent Pattberg - October 31, 2014 at 07:27 PM

TW

“ *Iamsorryforyourloss-
IknowhewasawonderfulDoctor&humanbeing.Plantostopby&seeDrLeon
--Chris Wright*

thomas chris wright - June 26, 2014 at 06:43 PM

JW

“ *We are so sorry to hear about Harvey. We did not know. He and Jerry go way back in their friendship. I thought the world of him as well and enjoyed working with him in surgery years ago. Please let us know if you need anything. Sincerely, Jerry and Pam Welch*

Jerry & Pam Welch - June 12, 2014 at 03:13 PM

DT

“ *Our deepest sympathy and prayerful condolences to the family of Dr. Harvey Wright. May the Lord be especially be with Mindy in the loss of her Father.*

dr. and mrs Herb Taylor - June 06, 2014 at 07:50 PM

TF

“ *Harvey was greatly admired by us all. His family is in our thoughts and prayers.*

The Catron Family - June 06, 2014 at 04:42 PM

JS

“ *Your family is in my thoughts.*

Jamie Strebeck - June 06, 2014 at 12:47 PM

SC

“ *Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.*

Shelley Cook - June 06, 2014 at 12:46 PM

SC

“ *Dr. Harvey Banks Wright, Sr.*

susan cotton - June 06, 2014 at 12:23 PM

JW

“ *Sorry for your loss*

jamie west - June 06, 2014 at 12:22 PM

LN

“ *Joy, My thoughts & prayers are with you and the family.*

Liz Nicholson - June 06, 2014 at 10:07 AM

KJ

“ *I thought the world of this man. He always had something kind to say and was a joy to work with. He will be missed by many people who had the privilege of working with him. I believe that he enjoyed all of us, too.*

Karla Johnson - June 05, 2014 at 09:54 PM

AD

“ Hal and all of the Wright family, I am sorry for your loss. We are thinking about you all.

Ann Rogers Dillard - June 05, 2014 at 05:02 PM

BS

“ Dear Joy, Tommy and I were shocked to read of Harvey's death. We have such fond memories of our times together and always enjoyed your Christmas Cards with your beautiful family. Tommy and I join you and your family as we pray for the difficult days ahead.
Psalms18:6

B.J. & Tommy Swafford - June 05, 2014 at 02:31 PM

RM

“ I am so very sorry for your loss, Dr. Wright was such an important part of my grandmother's life for many years.

Ron Maxey - June 05, 2014 at 11:25 AM

BM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My deepest condolences and prayers go out to all of the family.
Much love, Brittany Moss

Brittany Moss - June 05, 2014 at 10:42 AM

GR

“ Wright Family, I am saddened to hear of Dr. Wright's passing. He was a wonderful friend. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Geri Duckworth Richie - June 05, 2014 at 09:05 AM

PB

“ Joy: Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. We are sorry for your loss.

PG & Machell Bernheim - June 05, 2014 at 08:28 AM

WL

“ I am so sorry for your loss. We are praying for you all. Love, The Ladner Family

Wendy Ladner - June 04, 2014 at 11:51 PM

PS

“ Joy & Family. Please accept our sincere sympathy for your loss. Our prayers and thoughts are with you at this time. Phyl & Austin

Phyl & Austin Simmons - June 04, 2014 at 11:39 PM

SW

“ Hal, My family and i are so sorry about the loss of your father. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time. Shawn Wansley

Shawn Wansley - June 04, 2014 at 08:13 PM