



Dr. James Holston

August 1, 1951 - June 24, 2016

James Mallard Holston, 64 years old, of Laurel, MS, died of cancer at home on Friday, June 24th, 2016.

James was born to Mallard and Geraldine Holston, in Laurel, on August 1, 1951. He attended Laurel Public Schools and graduated in 1969 from R.H. Watkins High School. He earned a B.S. in Biology from Millsaps College in 1972 and an M.D. from the University of Mississippi School of Medicine in 1976. He earned an M.B.A. from Auburn University in 2004.

Dr. Holston practiced pediatrics in Laurel for thirty years, and served as Vice President and Chief Quality Officer at South Central Regional Medical Center from 2004 until 2016. He was a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church and served as an elder and clerk of the Session.

Dr. Holston was preceded in death by his father, Mallard Dee Holston. He is survived by his mother, Geraldine Perry Holston, of Ellisville, his wife, Kelli Ervin Holston, of Laurel, sons, Joel Scott (Michelle) Holston, of Navarre, FL, and Adam Ross Holston, of Laurel, daughter, Erin Kate (Jim) Goode, of Clinton, MS, six grandchildren, brother, David (Melanie) Holston, of Laurel, five nieces and nephews, and a host of cousins.

The memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 28, at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Laurel, followed by visitation in the Fellowship Room. Interment will be at Lake Park Hills at a private family service prior to the memorial service. Elders of Westminster Presbyterian Church will serve as pallbearers. The family requests that memorials be

directed to Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Cemetery Details

Lake Park Hills Cemetery

2806 Emmy Dr.
Laurel, MS 39440

Previous Events

Service

JUN 28. 11:00 AM (CT)

Westminster Presbyterian Church
1200 Hwy 15 North
Laurel, MS 39440

Tribute Wall

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“ Dr. Holston was my sons pediatrician after he had his liver transplant in 1990. He was very attentive to my concerns as an overprotective nervous mother and he was very patient with me. He was always good about following advice from Joshua's doctors in Chicago where the transplant was done. Dr. Holston was a wonderful doctor to my son and I was unaware that he passed away. He took excellent care of Joshua in the 8 years that we knew him. My son passed away in 1999 and Dr. Holston was unable to come to the funeral but expressed his condolences to me and my family. He was a wonderful man.

Erin Skidmore - March 24, 2017 at 12:30 PM

SS

“ Thinking of you and praying for your family.

Steve and Denise Shuman

Steven Shuman - July 01, 2016 at 04:22 PM

DB

“ I have so many great memories of James both in med school and working together at UMC during our residencies. He will be greatly missed.

Donald H. Butts, M.D.

Donald Butts - June 28, 2016 at 09:13 PM

GC

“ *Dr. Holston was one of my all time favorites!! He will be greatly missed! So glad to have known him for all these years...May God bless...*

Gary Cooper

gary cooper - June 28, 2016 at 09:35 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. James Holston.*



June 27, 2016 at 02:18 PM

DE

“ *Kelli,*

I am so sorry to hear about James. You and your family will certainly be in my prayers.

Debbie Burgess (now Mizell)

Debbie - June 27, 2016 at 09:45 AM

LW

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you Kelli, Joel, Erin, and Adam!
This news came as a shock to me! James was a very cheerful guy!*

Linda Gail Walton - June 27, 2016 at 07:24 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. James Holston.*



June 27, 2016 at 01:18 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Dr. James Holston.*



June 26, 2016 at 06:28 PM



“ *Another tribute to James....he told his church family about his diagnosis during church last year. He urged others to get their colonoscopy if they had not done so. A dear friend of mine who is a member of the church made her appt the next day, had her test the next and received grim news. She has been through a lot in the last year and currently has no evidence of disease. I think the angel that urged James to witness in church is the same who urged my dear friend to get tested. Thank you, James. You shared your bad news and like a great doctor and healer, urged others to take precautions. My friend is still here today. She and those who love her thank you for being friend, Doctor, teacher, preacher and now...angel.*

Becky Huston Jenner - June 26, 2016 at 03:24 PM



“ *Sweet Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. James Holston.*



June 26, 2016 at 03:19 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. James Holston.*



June 26, 2016 at 03:02 PM



“ *Spring Has Sprung Mixed Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. James Holston.*



June 26, 2016 at 01:42 PM



“ *Kelli, Brian and I are so sorry to hear that James lost his battle with cancer. You, Mrs. Holston, David, your Children and all of their families are in our thoughts and prayers. James was a wonderful man and he will be deeply missed. God's blessing and peace for you all. Perri and Brian Wood*

Perri and Brian Wood - June 25, 2016 at 09:51 PM

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“ *Achyutha and Sudhir Pujari M.D purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Dr. James Holston.*



Achyutha and Sudhir Pujari M.D - June 25, 2016 at 05:48 PM