



Dr. William James Durio Wells

September 9, 1936 - November 24, 2007

Heading: Dr. William J. Wells

Dateline: Reidville

Dr. William James Durio Wells, 71, formerly of Greer, S.C. died at his home in Reidville, S.C. on November 24, 2007 following a lengthy illness. Dr. Wells was born in Zanesville, Ohio, the son of the late Hazel Marie Durio Wells and the late William Widney Wells. He was a graduate of Jesuit High School and Loyola University, both in New Orleans, and received a PhD from the University of London, England. Dr. Wells taught at private secondary schools in New York City and New Jersey and was Headmaster of Woodmere Academy on Long Island. He had been retired for many years due to failing health.

Dr. Wells was a former communicant and vestryman at St. Francis Episcopal Church in Greenville. He was active in church affairs, and instrumental in the establishment of the Irish Children's Summer Program in Greenville.

Dr. Wells is survived by his wife, Linda Cotton Wells of Reidville; four step-children, nine grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Margaret Pearson of Grand Junction, Colorado; a nephew; and three nieces; grandnephews and grandnieces.

He was predeceased by a sister, Mrs. Diana Large of Altamonte Springs, Florida and a son, Adam James Widney Wells.

A private memorial service will be held on December 1. Dr. Wells will be interred at a later date in Breaux, Louisiana.

Memorial donations may be made to Winyah Community Hospice Care, 880 Pleasantburg Drive, Suite 1A, Greenville, S.C. 29607 or to American Cancer Society, 154 Milestone Way, Greenville, S.C. 29615.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

Tribute Wall



“ Linda,
I guessed that Bill had died since I haven't heard from him in a while, and also because he came to me in a dream in Nov 2007. I had the sense that he had left his mortal body and was free. May I offer late condolences at your loss and remembrance in prayers for Bills' family.##imported-begin## Richard Stoltz##imported-end##

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“ Linda,
Sorry to hear of Bill's passing. May you continue to have strength to bear this, too. May your boys & their families gather around you and provide comfort. May peace embrace you. Penny##imported-begin##Penny Larson##imported-end##

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