



Dr. Ralph J. Brown

March 9, 1925 - February 8, 2023

Dr. Ralph James Brown, 97, went to be with the Lord on February 8, 2023. A life long resident of Greer, SC, he was the son of the late Grover and Evie Mitchell Brown. After serving in the United States Navy during WWII, he graduated from Furman University and the Medical College of Virginia. Ralph became a dentist serving the Greer Community for over 35 years.

Dr. Brown was a member of Greer First Baptist Church since 1946 where he served for many years as a deacon, Sunday school teacher and basketball coach. He served on the original board of directors for Greer Community Ministries, The Furman University trustee board, The General Board of the SC Baptist Convention, Board of Greenville Hospital System, and was a member of the Greer Lion Club. He was a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather who delighted in his family.

Surviving are his beloved wife of 76 years, Erlene Harvey Brown; two daughters, Karen Beason (Sam), and Kathy Lenser (Craig); four grandchildren, Katie Beason Tuten (Will), Emily Beason Vidovich (Aaron), Kyle Lenser, and David Lenser; two great-grandchildren, Owen and Campbell Tuten; one brother, Hugh Brown; one sister, Dot Forrester (Reynold); and numerous nieces and nephews.

Dr. Brown was predeceased by five brothers, Mac Brown, Arnold Brown, Preston Brown, William Brown, and Ben Stokes; and four sisters, Sue Jenkins, Lois Reece, Iva Brown, and Merzie Brown.

The family wishes to give special thanks to our wonderful care givers, Interim

Hospice, and Dr. Lynetter Guirao who have all given exceptional and compassionate care to our dad.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 pm Monday, February 13, 2023, at The Wood Mortuary Chapel conducted by Dr. Stewart B. Simms, Jr., Dr. Steve Crossland, and Dr. Doug Mize.

Visitation will be held 12:30-1:45 pm Monday, February 13, 2023, at The Wood Mortuary.

Webcasting of the service will be available at www.thewoodmortuary.com.
The family will be at the home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Greer First Baptist Church, 201 W Poinsett St, Greer, SC 29650 or Greer Community Ministries, PO Box 1373, Greer, SC 29652.

Online condolences may be made to www.thewoodmortuary.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 13. 12:30 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

The Wood Mortuary, Inc.
300 West Poinsett Street
Greer, SC 29650
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Service

FEB 13. 2:00 PM (ET)

THE WOOD MORTUARY CHAPEL
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Tribute Wall



“ *The Wood Mortuary created a Webcast in memory of Dr. Ralph J. Brown*



The Wood Mortuary - February 13, 2023 at 12:32 PM

JS

“ *Dr. Brown was my first dentist! He was always welcoming and gentle. His personality was such that I remember him well in a good light! Being a child/teenager, I certainly was assured by him that all was well...I was in good hands! I'm now 79. Jean Montgomery Stewart!*

jean montgomery stewsrt - February 16, 2023 at 03:47 PM

FS

“ *Sincere prayers and sympathy for your family at this sad time. My husband and I were patients of Dr. Brown for many years before his retirement. He was such a gracious and kind man. It was like visiting a friend when we had an appointment with him!*

Frances Southerland - February 11, 2023 at 03:29 PM

MH

“ *So sorry for your loss. I was his pt.the whole time he was in practice.wonerful person. Maxine Howell*

Maxine Howell - February 10, 2023 at 03:31 PM

DK

“ To the family of Dr. Brown, I am so sorry for the loss of Dr. Brown. My mother went to him until he retired and she also took my sister and I until we were grown. I will be praying for your family and friends as I know he was well loved by family and all of Greer. I pray for peace and comfort for you all.



Darlene Ross Key - February 10, 2023 at 08:20 AM

ML

“ Dr Brown was my dentist growing up. One of the nicest people I've ever met. A great neighbor also and loved our visits together over the last years. He will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with his family



Mary Hudson Lachapelle - February 09, 2023 at 06:59 PM

RK

“ Dr Brown was our family dentist for years. So sorry for your loss. He was a very nice man. Prayers lifted for you all....Richard King

Richard King - February 09, 2023 at 12:59 PM