



## Dr. James Luther Clements, Jr. (Eatonton)

July 21, 1924 - September 27, 2010

Dr. James Luther "Luke" Clements, Jr. Passed away September 27, 2010 in his hometown of Eatonton, Georgia. He had moved back to Eatonton from Atlanta upon his retirement to live in his grandparents' home, a house that held so many happy memories for him. He was an eighth generation Eatonton, Putnam County Georgia native.

Dr. Clements graduated from Putnam County High school in 1941, attended Emory at Oxford and then graduated from Emory University School of Medicine in 1947. He completed his medical internship at Roper Hospital in Charleston, SC, where he met his future wife Margaret, a pediatric nurse. During the Korean Conflict, he served as a US Navy Lieutenant on the hospital ship USS Consolation, which later became the SS Hope.

Elected to the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society in 1984, Dr. Clements was also a past-president of the Atlanta Radiological Society and the Georgia Radiological Society. During his 43 year tenure on the faculty at Emory University Medical School, He published over 40 articles in national and international medical journals, contributed to 12 chapters in medical textbooks and presented over 30 papers at national and state medical meetings. He had many professional appointments, professional society memberships, accomplishments, honors and awards, too many to list in full.

Dr. Clements was a Fellow Emeritus of the American College of Radiology and a Professor Emeritus of the Emory University School of Medicine. He was honored by the creation of the annual "J. Luther Clements Lecture" at Emory University, now in its 19th year.

Dr. Clements was most recently honored in June 2005 with the most prestigious recognition ever given to a Radiologist in the state of Georgia, the "Gold Medal Award" of the Georgia Radiological Society. He was the first recipient for this award to be presented to the radiologist who is considered to be the most influential in contributions to the practice of Radiology in Georgia.

Dr. Clements was also greatly appreciated and admired by his Radiology residents as well as his colleagues. He was voted Teacher of the Year by his Radiology residents so many times, the award was finally named after him. The next year the Emory Surgery residents voted him Teacher of the Year, which almost always is awarded to a Professor of Surgery.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Margaret and two sons, Arthur Lewis and Ashley Howard. He is survived by his daughter Julia Anne and many loving friends and colleagues.

A celebration of Dr. Clements' life will be held on Saturday, October 9, 2010 in Williams Funeral Home of Eatonton, Georgia. Visitation will be from 2PM and a memorial service at 3PM.

Contributions in his memory may be made to Oconee Regional Humane Society, 6350 Lake Oconee Parkway, Suite 102, PMB 178, Greensboro, GA 30642. Phone 706 454 1508.

Williams Funeral Home of Eatonton in Charge of arrangements.  
706-485-3303



# Tribute Wall



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“ I am so sorry for your loss Julia. He was dearly loved by me, and I will miss him.  
My prayers are with you at this sad time.  
God bless,  
Love Virginia (cousin Sissy)##imported-begin##Virginia Luciano##imported-end##

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“ Julia, my thoughts are with you at this time.  
Dr. Clements, will be missed.##imported-begin##Eleanor WHEAT HUGHEY##imported-end##

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“ A True Gentleman, A Great Radiologist, and a Friend.##imported-begin##Dr. Bobby Thomas##imported-end##

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“ *Dear Luke, I know you enjoyed the DVDs of your guest lecturers at the annual James Luther Clements, Jr., MD speech at Emory University Hospital given annually here in Atlanta, with many distinguished speakers over the years. I will miss you terribly and you know how much we treasured your phone calls. Julia, thank you for calling today. Warmest regards and condolences, Virginia in the Department of Radiology, Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia.##imported-begin##Virginia Harrow##imported-end##*

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