



Dr. Herbert S. Harper

May 8, 1932 - March 26, 2011

Augusta, GA—Private Family Graveside Services for Dr. Herbert S. Harper, 78, of Henry Street, Augusta, Georgia, who entered to rest March 26, 2011, will be conducted Tuesday. Dr. John M. Younginer, Jr. officiating.

Dr. Harper was a native of Wray, Georgia, a former resident of North Augusta for 18 years, having made Augusta his home for the past 33 years. He was a member of Grace United Methodist Church and preceded in death by his wife Mary Senn Harper and a son, Gregory Allen Harper. Dr. Harper was a beloved pediatrician who cared deeply for his patients and their families, having practiced for 35 years, retiring in 1995. He was an avid supporter of the Georgia Bull Dawgs.

Survivors include his wife of 30 years, Sara Miller Harper; four sons and daughters-in-law, Scott and Kathleen Harper, Milton, GA, Mike Harper, North Augusta, Chris and Margie Harper, Marietta, GA and David and Jeanette Routledge, Rome, GA; two daughters and a son-in-law, Susan Routledge, Augusta and Ellen and Mark Allmond, Mills River, NC; thirteen grandchildren; a brother, Ernest Harper, Douglas, GA; a sister-in-law, Shirley Holmes, Laurens, SC.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home Monday evening from 5 until 7.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 1899 Central Avenue, Augusta, GA 30904.

Posey Funeral Directors of North Augusta in charge of arrangements (803-278-1181). Visit the registry online at www.poseyfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **28.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Posey Funeral Directors
1307 Georgia Avenue
North Augusta, SC

Service

MAR **29.**

Private Family Services Will Be Held

Tribute Wall



“ Posey Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Dr. Herbert S. Harper



Posey Funeral Directors - March 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dr. Herbert S. Harper

October 06, 2023 at 06:29 AM



“ Dr. Herbert S. Harper

September 24, 2022 at 12:12 PM



“ I was sadden to learn of Dr. Harpers passing as he was my daughters Doctor and had such a graet approach to his patients as well as calming their parents. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family during this difficult time.

Bill Burch - March 31, 2011 at 09:13 PM

KW

“ Karen Williams lit a candle in memory of Dr. Herbert S. Harper



Karen Williams - March 30, 2011 at 04:08 PM

KW

Dr. Harper was a beautiful person that gave everything he could to his patients. He was my children's pediatrician from 1984 until he retired. I was blessed to have known him. He was awesome. My prayers are with his family.

Karen Williams - March 30, 2011 at 04:09 PM

RH

Herb was a special friend to us . Married to my cousin, Sara he was a quiet, gentle man--- so perfect to be a pediatrician. We always felt that he was sometimes overwhelmed by the happy,boisterous Scott family, We think he really enjoyed sitting back and taking it all in when the family got together.We will miss him.

Loyce and Raymond Hargrove

Raymond Hargrove - March 31, 2011 at 10:54 AM

CB

“ He was a very special gentleman and it was a privilege to know hi

Carolyn Benning

Carolyn S. Benning - March 29, 2011 at 04:43 PM

DD

“ *Debi Drummond lit a candle in memory of Dr. Herbert S. Harper*



Debi Drummond - March 29, 2011 at 08:00 AM

KT

“ To Sara and the boys, Our deepest sympathies are with you and your families in the loss of your husband and father. He was such a great person as well as Doctor in all the 45 years that I've known him and was a family friend for many years before I came to know him. He was my pediatrician of choice for my children as they came along. Just recently while attending my daughter to my granddaughter's pediatricians appointment, I made some comment referring to the days she & her brother were Dr. Harpers patients. She looked at me and said "Mother there aren't any more Dr. Harpers". What a true statment that was. His dedication, his love, his gentleness, his compassion were and never will be again in todays age of medicine. I couldn't tell you how many nights and weekends you would see him at University checking on his patients. Once when a drowning came in he happened to be on his way back to his office and met the EMT's as they were wheeling the child into the ER entrance. He reached over and immediately began giving this child CPR for the EMT...it was flawless, not a beat missed, as if rehearsed. He stayed with that child the rest of that day until there was nothing else he felt he could do and the child was safely in ICU. This wasn't one of his patients, it was just a little boy who needed help and Dr. Harper was there. There are so many stories of the patients he treated over these many years but he not only treated the patient, he treated the patient and family as a whole. All this at the loss of time with his own family. Oh what a debt of graditude we owe each one of you who shared your father and husband with us for so many years. May God hold each of you in his loving arms and give you the comfort you will need to face these days ahead. This world is a much better place because Dr. Herbert Harper was here. He will be greatly missed because he was greatly loved.
Wilbur and Kathy Thigpen
Shannon and Sissy

KATHRYN ROBERTS THIGPEN - March 29, 2011 at 06:01 AM

DC

Your words are echoed in my heart and mind. Dr. Harper was one of a kind. 30 years ago he saved my son's life. I have and will always be grateful.

Denise Campbell-Gartrell - January 12, 2021 at 06:12 AM

AM

“ *In Loving Memory, from Thomas, Margaret, Becky, and Amy Little.*



Amy Little Murphey - March 28, 2011 at 08:39 PM

RN

“ *The 1948 Class of Ocilla High School sends their deepest sympathy and love to Sara and all of the family. We all cherish the fond memories of our school days with Herbert.*

*Rose Morris Norton
Class Secretary*

Rose Morris Norton - March 28, 2011 at 08:10 PM

GB

“ *Dr. Harper was my pediatrician as a child. I had kidney problems for years and was so sick all the time. He would actually come to our house to check on me before and or after work. I loved him so much! I've always wondered about him since I've been grown and wanted to look him up to say hello and see if he'd remember me, but never did. I'm sorry for that. I hope he hears me now. His wife and family are so blessed to have had him in their lives. There will never ever be a doctor like him. Good bye Dr. Harper, my childhood friend. Heaven is lucky to have you!*

Gaye (Lott) Brady - March 28, 2011 at 07:30 PM

PB

“ It was my pleasure to work for Dr Harper part time for about 2 years when my daughter, Sharon , was about 2 years old. He was her doctor from the day she was born, as well as my son, Wade's. He was the greatest! Our condolences to all the family. God bless!
Pauline Banks and family

Pauline Banks - March 28, 2011 at 06:57 PM

SM

“ There will never be another pediatrician that could take the place of Dr. Harper. I, my children, and entire family trusted him completely. He was always so loving, gentle, kind, and compassionate. I remember him staying at the hospital all night with my family and me when my middle son was born and something was wrong. He also stayed when our oldest son had to have emergency surgery trying to get to the bottom of the problem. He truly loved his patients and they loved him! He would always kid around and say, "Don't you ever get them mixed up?Bradley, Brian, and Beth. We have so many wonderful memories. Not one of the kids ever minded going to see Dr. Harper. We all were so sad and cried when he told us he was retiring. It was hard to believe that we would no longer be able to see him as our pediatrician. Our family sends our deepest sympathy and condolences to the family. Rest in peace Dr. Harper. We love you!

Sylvia C. Martin and Family
Grovetown, GA

Sylvia C. Martin - March 28, 2011 at 03:52 PM

NP

“ Nancy Pierce lit a candle in memory of Dr. Herbert S. Harper



Nancy Pierce - March 28, 2011 at 03:44 PM

RM

“ I was so saddened to see the sweet face of Dr. Harper smiling from the obituaries. He came highly recommended to me with the birth of my daughter in 1973, and with the subsequent births of my 3 sons, I never regretted selecting him. Thankfully his services were only necessary for routine checkups as my children all enjoyed good health. I always arrived for appointments prepared to wait, but I did so willingly knowing that when it was our turn, Dr. Harper's time and attention were all mine for whatever questions and concerns I had. Linda and Laura who worked for him then were so kind and helpful as well. I wish to convey my deepest sympathy to the family of this kind, gentle man.

Ramona Mobley - March 28, 2011 at 02:59 PM

EB

“ Evelyn Blalock lit a candle in memory of Dr. Herbert S. Harper



Evelyn Blalock - March 28, 2011 at 02:48 PM

CM

“ *Dr. Harper was my pediatrician and then he took care of both of my children. We were truly blessed to be cared for by this kind and wonderful doctor. He was more than our doctor; he was our friend. My condolences go out to Miss Sara and the whole Harper family. Sincerely,
Cheryl Womack Powell Mobley*

Cheryl Mobley - March 28, 2011 at 12:42 PM

JC

“ *Dr. Harper was a great man.. He was not just your Doctor he was your friend and truly loved and cared about all the children he took care of. I am so glad that I knew him. My thoughts and prayers are with the entire Harper family.
Joni Craven*



Joni Mintz Craven - March 28, 2011 at 12:19 PM

JB

“ *To the entire Harper family you have my condolences. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Dr. Harper took care of my three sons. He was was wonderful doctor - patient, kind, understanding. Always a calming force. We always felt our boys had the best care. I was heartbroken when I learned that Dr. Harper was closing his practice. I brought my boys with me to pick up records and say goodbye. I made a wonderful picture of them together which I still cherish. I know you are proud of such a kind man who took care of so many.*

Jackie Butts

Jackie Butts - March 28, 2011 at 11:25 AM

MP

“ *Mary Poss lit a candle in memory of Dr. Herbert S. Harper*



Mary Poss - March 28, 2011 at 10:14 AM

JC

“ *Jeanne M Carver lit a candle in memory of Dr. Herbert S. Harper*



Jeanne M Carver - March 28, 2011 at 03:30 AM

JH

“ *Joyce Hall lit a candle in memory of Dr. Herbert S. Harper*



Joyce Hall - March 27, 2011 at 09:11 PM

MB

DR.Harper was a very caring and dedicated DR. where i saw him for those 30 of those 35 yrs. he worked. He was always the same person, he never changed under stress. You could tell he A godly man. I will never forget his kindly manerism and how everyone loved him. We all missed him greatly when he did retire. Mary Burke lpn

mary jane burke - March 28, 2011 at 02:23 PM

JH

“ Dr. Harper was my children's Dr. until they turned 18 he was not only a wonderful Dr. but he treated us like family. Dr. Harper we love you very much rest in peace.

Joyce Hall - March 27, 2011 at 09:10 PM

CL

“ Dr. Harper was the greatest pediatrician ever and I was so heartbroken the day he retired. I remember when he admitted my 2 year old daughter to the hospital in 1984 he would work all day in the office and then make his rounds at the hospital. He would sit in the chair by my daughter's bed and just watch her. There will never be another doctor like him. He was such a compassionate, loving man. He will be greatly missed by all! The family is in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Cheryl Litchfield - March 27, 2011 at 01:25 PM

MC

“ My husband and I were so blessed to have such a wonderful man to care for our boys when they were young. He was the best doctor! His own boys and my husband all grew up together in the same neighborhood. My husband stated that he and Mrs. Harper (Mary) were so kind and good to them all. What a legacy he has left us in this world. The Herbert Harper family is in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

*Mr. and Mrs. Phillip L. Clark
North Augusta*

Mary Ivey Clark - March 27, 2011 at 01:00 PM

KC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. Kathy Frazier Callaway

Kathy Frazier Callaway - March 27, 2011 at 11:49 AM

RK

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of a gentleman. Peaceful rest Dr. Harper. Rocky and Donna King

Rocky King - March 27, 2011 at 09:55 AM

SW

“ Sally Strayhorn Wertz lit a candle in memory of Dr. Herbert S. Harper



Sally Strayhorn Wertz - March 27, 2011 at 09:03 AM



“ I remember the first time I met Dr. Harper. He was so soft-spoken and gentle, but I trusted every word he said. When he retired, I cried. I want to cry today, but I know that he has a special place in heaven. Thank you, Dr. Harper, for all the ways you blessed our family. I know God has blessed you and your family. I know He will continue to bless all of you.

Susan Brown - March 27, 2011 at 07:21 AM

GH

He was a real hero and great person Always kind and loving toward all. I will always remember him making his rounds with a smile. Gail harville

gail harville - March 27, 2011 at 08:58 AM

GP

We will miss Uncle Herbert very much! He was always the soft spoken & gentle uncle. We are all been so blessed to be in the family of such a wonderful man, that I got to call my Uncle Herbert with lots of bragging behind that statement.

GINA PURVIS - March 27, 2011 at 11:20 AM

BP

One of the kindest people I have ever had the pleasure to be acquainted with. Much appreciation for that kindness being extended to my family. He will surely be missed and remembered with with a smile by all who crossed his path.

Bobbie Pague - March 27, 2011 at 12:27 PM

LF

Dr. Harper.....The best pediatrician you could ever ask for...he was my 2 sons dr....and I really appreciate everything he did for them.....He treated us like family...He would call us at home at night to check on my oldest son....Not only was he a great Dr. He was a wonderful man....He will be missed....

Linda Brown Fuller - March 28, 2011 at 09:41 AM

YT

all i can say is so sorry for the family. i was just a mother of children he treaded and i loved dearly. now heaven is blest with one wounderfull person. thanks dr. harper there never be another

yvonne turner - March 29, 2011 at 07:41 AM