



E. Graham Coates, MD Obituary

June 23, 1927 - March 8, 2008

E. Graham Coates, MD, 80, of Albany, died Saturday, March 8, 2008 at his home following an illness. His memorial service will be TUESDAY 11 AM at Albany Bible Church. Pastor Pete Daughtry will officiate. His remains were cremated. A native of Shorterville, AL, Dr. Coates had lived in Albany since 1966. He graduated with honors from Ft. Gaines High School in 1944 and was voted most likely to succeed. He then went to ASTRP at Clemson University and was one of two honor students out of 300. Dr. Coates served in the U. S. Air Force from 1945-1947 at Nichols Field outside of Manila, Luzon, Philippines. After military service, he returned to Clay County to farm. In 1952 he attended Tennessee Temple College in Chattanooga, TN, and graduated as Salutatorian in 1955. He attended Baylor University Graduate School and graduated with a degree in English literature with a minor in theology. From 1956-1958 he taught at Temple college and earned prerequisite credits for medical school. In 1958 he entered the Medical College of Georgia and graduated in 1962. He was a member of Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society. Dr. Coates interned at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital in 1962-1963. He served a residency in psychiatry at Tulane Medical School from 1963-1966. Dr. Coates began his private practice in Albany in 1966 and retired in 2000. He was a member of Albany Bible Church and the Dougherty County Medical Society. Dr. Coates is survived by his wife: Susan Coates, Albany; a daughter: Lara Coates, Albany; 2 sons: Chris Coates, Ronnie Coates and his wife Carmella, all of Albany; 3 grandchildren; 3 great-

grandchildren; a brother: Leon Coates, Ft. Gaines. The family will receive friends at Kimbrell-Stern on Monday from 5-7 PM. Those desiring may send memorials to the American Cancer Society, P.O. 1201, Albany, GA 31702, or to the Albany Community Hospice, P.O. Box 1828, Albany, GA 31702.

Tribute Wall



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“ *Dear Family,*

I am sorry for your loss but know he is in a better place.

Sabrina M. clark - April 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of the loss of a fine physician - I was working in Pathology @ Phoebe and Dr. Buckner the Pathologist and myself were in charge of the internship program - Dr. Coates was one of the first interns in the program- My thoughts and prayers go out to the family during this time.*

Deanie Browning Holland - April 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LB

“Graham was our Sunday School at Covenant for several years and we were very fond of him, as a teacher and as a person. He always gave us food for thought in Sunday School.

Laura Barnard - March 16, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LM

“I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Dr. Coates. I knew him as a young LPN student in the early 80's. My sympathy is with all of the family.

Lisa Middleton - March 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BH

“My heart goes out to his family during this time. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers. I will miss my buddy and he was honestly one of the nicest doctors I ever met or worked for at Phoebe. He will be missed by me and the many patients whose lives he touched. Thank you for all you did.

*Beverly Madden Hancock
Former 3E/4E Unit Secretary
(From 1996-1997)*

Beverly Madden Hancock - March 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JD

“Dr. Coates treated me for nearly fourteen years and he was a brilliant, giving and caring Psychiatrist. I'm sure he will be missed by many. My prayers are with the family. Dr. Coates really made a difference in many lives Warmest Regards, Joel Hugh Downs

Joel Hugh Downs - March 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Susan,Lara,
Our prayers are with you guys and we love you.
The Smiths

Gary Smith - March 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ I USE TO WORK IN THE LAB AT PHOEBE & GO TO THE 7TH
FOOR & COLLECT BLOOD. I WOULD ALWAYS ENJOY TALKING
WITH DR COATES.HE WAS VERY INTERESTING.I WILL KEEP
YOUR FAMILY LIFTED UP DURING THIS TIME OF LOSS,IN
JESUS NAME-SHERYL NICHOLS

sheryl (mclean) nichols - March 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TE

“ I had the pleasure of working with Dr. Coates and he was an
inspiration to me and to others. He will be missed greatly. His family
will be in our prayers.

Tina Eubanks - March 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ I have many wonderful memories and stories of my days spent with
Graham. They begin with our time at the Medical College where we
were neighbors. I convey my heartfelt condolences to all the family.
He was truly a great man and a good friend.
Fred

Dr. Fred McLean - March 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM