



William D. Culpepper Obituary

October 30, 1928 - May 30, 2010

Dr. Culpepper, son of the late Lee Roy Culpepper, Sr and Gladys J. Culpepper was born October 30, 1928 in Albany, Georgia and had lived in Atlanta, Georgia all of his adult life. Dr. Culpepper graduated from Albany High School . Dr. Culpepper entered Emory University for his pre-dental education and attended Emory University School of Dentistry (EUSD) until 1951. He then joined EUSD faculty in 1951. Dr. Culpepper served in the U.S. Air Force dental corp for two years and then rejoined EUSD's faculty. In 1951, Dr. Culpepper received a Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) from Emory University School of Dentistry. In 1958, he received a Master of Science in Prosthodontics, also from Emory. Dr. Culpepper was a Professor and Chairman of the Department of Fixed Prosthodontics at Emory University School of Dentistry from 1957 to 1988. He was Treasurer and Past President of the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics. He was Secretary and Past President of the American Board of Prosthodontics. He was ABP 's first Executive Director, a position he held from 1990 until he retired in 2001. Dr. Culpepper published several articles on prosthodontics in the Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry, and the Journal of Dental Education and Dental Clinics of North America. He was a Fellow in the American College of Dentists and the American College of Prosthodontists; and was Editor of the Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry for the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics for several years. Dr. Culpepper loved his precious dogs, Poco, Heidi, Max and Cody. He enjoyed traveling, good food, music and great friends. His laugh was

contagious and will be remembered by so many. Dr. Culpepper is survived by his sister-in-law, Nell Hautman Culpepper, niece, Brenda Griffin(Bunk), nephew, Lee Culpepper III (Sherry), all of Macon , Georgia niece, Joy Crawford(Stan) of Leesburg , Georgia . His brother, Lee Roy Culpepper, Jr, preceded Dr. Culpepper in death.

Tribute Wall



“ *William D. Culpepper Obituary*

May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *As a former student, I am very saddened to hear the sad news. Dr. Culpepper was a tremendous teacher, mentor and leader in his field. I feel blessed to have had him as my professor at EUSD*

Sheini Mamdani Bhaloo, DDS - July 19, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *I greatly benefited from Doctor Culpepper's fine teaching during student years at Emory University School of Dentistry(1954-1958). He was an inspiration to many students.*
Ray Davis

Walter Ray Davis Jr - July 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *I remember Dr. Culpepper as a wonderful teacher. He was not easy or tolerant of poor work, but always fair and clearly out to make us the best possible.*
I am so sorry for the loss, and I hope my fond memories will help ease the pain
Jeffrey S Gold DDS '85 Dental '81 College

jeffrey gold - July 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ I am sorry I never had a chance to thank you for your help and advice. Your kind words and support were of great help to me. I hope I have accomplished my profession to the level you felt I was capable of

Dr Edward Chapin - July 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

WD

“ Dr. Culpepper was my advisor while I was at Emory School of Dentistry. I was kind of a wild child, being from California, so he knew how to work with me as a junior dental student. The news of his passing saddens me yet I know he lived a full, rich life. See you on the other side, Dr. Culpepper. Wendy Bailey - class of D'85

Wendy Bailey Crisafulli, DDS - July 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Former student who through the years hence, as an oral pathologist and dental school professor at Tufts, greatly appreciated my education at Emory and particularly from Dr. Culpepper and his dept. faculty. They were excellent instructors and great mentors. He was an outstanding clinician, scholar and gentleman. Please take comfort in the great legacy he has left behind.

Mike Kahn

Michael A. Kahn, DDS - July 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ DON WAS ONE OF MY FAVORATE PROFESSORS.

ROBERT M. ATKINS DDS' MPH - June 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Don was one of my favorite dental instructors of the Class of 1963, Emory School of Dentistry. We will miss him.

Dan Stinson - June 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ I am so saddened to learn of Don's passing. He was one of my favorite instructors while I was at Emory. He was always so giving of his knowledge to students and highly respected by all.

CBC DDS '64

Dr. C.B. (Charlie) Christian - June 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ He was a terrific teacher and was a very helpful instructor to the students. I had lost touch with him and am sorry to learn of his passing. George Slappey Class of '63

George Slappey, DDS - June 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM