



Dr. Howard David Homesley

November 22, 1940 - April 19, 2022

Dr. Howard David Homesley, 81, of Mooresville, passed away on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at his residence.

He was the third child of Essie and Troy C. Homesley and was born in Cherryville, NC on November 22, 1940. After finishing Cherryville High School, he was a Phi Beta Kappa graduate from UNC at Chapel Hill and then graduated from the UNC School of Medicine. In 1966, he married Jane Blackwelder also from Cherryville. Together they went to Nashville, Tennessee where at Vanderbilt University Hospital he completed training in obstetrics and gynecology followed by a fellowship in gynecologic oncology at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York, New York. He then served two years in the United States Air Force at Travis Air Force Base. From 1975 to 1996, Dr. Homesley was the Director of Gynecologic Oncology at Wake Forest University School of Medicine.

From 1996 to 2004, Dr. Homesley was in private practice in Winston-Salem, NC and Nashville, TN. Following this he was Director of Gynecologic Oncology at the Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University in Greenville, NC until his retirement in 2009.

Dr. Homesley was president of the N.C. Obstetrical and Gynecological Society, president of the Forsyth Stokes County Medical Society, president of the Society of Memorial Gynecologic Oncologists and served in many positions in the Gynecologic Oncology Group.

His passion throughout his medical career was dedicating as much time as

possible to clinical research toward improving the care of women with gynecologic cancer.

As a graduate of Cherryville High School, in 2010 he was the founding Board Chairman of Cherryville High School Education Foundation whose mission is to enrich the educational experience of all students and teachers at Cherryville High School.

He was most fortunate to dedicate his retirement years at Lake Norman primarily to his family and grandchildren to whom he was known as "Unkie" or "Grando". He also served as president of the Lake Norman Lions Club.

He is survived by his wife, Jane; son, Dr. Howard "David" Homesley, Jr. and his wife, Natalie and their sons, Jack and Alex; son, John Homesley and his wife, Alana and their daughters, Ella and Maeve. Also surviving close relatives are, his sister, Shirley Smith; his brother, TC Homesley, Jr. and his wife, Jacquie B. Homesley.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Hoyle Smith.

Per Howard's wishes no services will be held.

Memorials may be made to Cherryville High School Education Foundation, PO Box 301, Cherryville, NC 28201 or Hospice & Palliative Care of Iredell County, 2347 Simonton Road, Statesville, NC 28625 or a charity of your choice.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Homesley family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Tribute Wall

TK

“ I was very sad to see the passing of Dr. Homesley. i worked with him at Wake Forest and he was a hard worker and really a good friend. I am the director of the emeritus academy and we have a monthly newsletter. i put his announcement in our newsletter and hope that more people will respond. I will keep my thoughts and prayers for his family and friends. Dr. Tim Kute

Tim Kute - May 03, 2022 at 09:03 PM

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“ The Cherryville community and, in particular, Cherryville High School will be forever grateful to Dr. Howard Homesley for his vision and leadership in founding the Cherryville High School Education Foundation (CHSEF). Through this foundation, Cherryville High School faculty and students have received grants totaling more than \$250,000 in the last 10 years. Dr. Homesley will always be an example of someone who was generous with his time and talents. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family. He will truly be missed.

Cherryville High School Education Foundation Board

Nan Davis - April 26, 2022 at 11:56 AM

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“ Jane and family I'm sincerely sorry on hearing of Howard's death. A few years ago we were reacquainted and were ale to share our high school days and football. I know that he and Harold talent will or already have, meet up and they are sharing the things that Howard and I talked about. I know that the last years have been difficult and after all of the caring he gave, it was his turn to receive. He and my son Blake shared Blake's Daily Tibits , and Howard seem to enjoy them encouraging Blake to make a book out of them. Jane I pray that God will give you peace and mercy not only now but in all future life.

Carroll Carpenter - April 25, 2022 at 05:10 PM

DR

“ Dear Jane,
I am so sad to hear of the passing of Howard. We had a great class at unc for 8 years. He was always a star !. Fun, funny, smart, and a great friend. Condolences to all the family, and prayers for good memories and comfort. Al

Dr Al Roper - April 22, 2022 at 04:35 PM

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“ Our sympathies go out to all of the Homesley family for this time of grief & loss. I just spoke with T. C. Homesley, Jr at memorial & celebration of life services for my mother, Mary Rogers Brawley, who died April 1st, 2022 & who worked for the former Eddie Gaines & alongside T. C. for over 40 years. We too are grateful for Gordon's Hospice House in their devotion to our mother's final journey. God speed Dr. Homesley. We reach out to your family in memory & honor of our relationship with T. C. & Jacquie over these many years. You have our prayers for comfort & peace one. & all.



Kelly Brawley Stutts & Stanley
Mark E Brawley & Nancy
Charles Eric Brawley

Kelly Stutts - April 21, 2022 at 07:34 PM

TJ

“ Also my condolences to Jane and family and many blessings. It is a difficult time but time will heal!



Tullie H. Johnson - April 21, 2022 at 02:17 PM

TJ

“ My earliest memory of Howard was when we both along with others took "Ballroom Dancing" lessons at the Woman's Club Building on Mulberry Street. We all were either in middle or freshman in high school.

Tullie H. Johnson - April 21, 2022 at 02:14 PM

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“ *Condolences to T.C. and the Homesley family.*



Jen Kinion - April 20, 2022 at 06:30 PM