



Dr. Percy Smith

April 4, 1935 - June 7, 2020

Jesus called Percy Smith, 85 years of age, to be by his side on Sunday, June 7th, 2020. He passed away at Saint Francis Hospital in Tulsa, Oklahoma due to complications of a blood disorder. Percy was born April 4, 1935 in Frederick, Oklahoma. He was a devout Christian, loving father, and had a passion to heal others. Christ, family, friends, and even strangers were the core of his life.

Percy is survived by loving wife, Vesta, children and family; Brad, Jenni, Maddie, and Brett Smith of Springfield, MO; Lisa and Nate Roper of Edmond, OK; and Scot, Linda, Stephanie, and Brooke Smith of Cheshire, CT. He is also survived by lifelong friend Drude Faulconer, of Richardson, TX. He is preceded in death by his mom and dad, Elsie and Robert Smith, his brother Bobby Lee Smith, and his sister Faye Beth Smith.

In Christ, Percy exemplified walking with Jesus in his heart. He often shared his faith with others and had great love for Asbury Methodist church for which he and Vesta have called their Christian home since 1973. His 'Happy Christians / Word Finder' family provided great bliss and joy. His dinner time prayers, although sometimes verbose, are cherished memories by his family.

Family was prominent in Percy's life. Percy and Vesta were married in 1963 and spent 56 devoted years together. Percy and Vesta together exemplified love for family. Time together, trips, and weekends at the lake are memories cherished. The positivity, encouragement to help others, and the example of working hard are attributes that we, as his children, will never forget.

Percy's love for healing and medicine was the heart of his life up until his passing. He began his 58-year medical career in 1961 and practiced up until earlier this year. His medical calling included family medicine for the community of Tulsa and finishing his career with the Cherokee Nation for which he was named Doctor of the Year. He also assisted Tulsa University Athletics for many years. Medicine was 24/7 for 'Dr. Percy'. No matter what day, time, year, if someone was sick, Dr. Percy would assist. He was also

known to stop by a house to either make a quick check of a friend or deliver some news that a phone call would not provide the care and personal touch he was known for.

Percy was a proud alumnus from the University of Oklahoma Medical School. While this began his medical career, it was also the beginning of a love for Sooner football. Attending countless games throughout his life. It was common to see Percy wearing red OU shirts, his go to for casual attire. His other favorite activity was life at Grand Lake, especially fishing and boating. It brought a level of closeness, peacefulness, and fun that could not easily be found anywhere else to our family.

The visitation will be 1pm-4pm, Sunday, June 14th at Moore's Southlawn Funeral Home. His memorial service will be held at the Asbury United Methodist Church Sanctuary at 10:00am, on Tuesday, June 16th. In light of the current circumstances, we ask that all attendees wear masks and practice proper social distancing inside the sanctuary. We also understand if you are unable to attend. Percy knows you are with him in prayer.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to Asbury United Methodist Church in his memory or your favorite charity. The church address is 6767 S Mingo Rd, Tulsa, OK 74133 or at asburytulsa.org. Moore's Southlawn 918-663-2233

Events

JUN **Visitation** 01:00PM - 04:00PM

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Moore's Southlawn

9350 E. 51st, Tulsa, OK, US, 74145

JUN **Memorial** 10:00AM

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Asbury United Methodist Church Sanctuaryl

6767 S. Mingo Rd., Tulsa, OK, US

Comments



“ Dr. Percy was a wonderful next door neighbor and family friend. So many good memories growing up around this precious family. At the visitation, I wanted to say how good Dr. Percy looked. I loved the American flag and Bible he held. I will be praying for the peace that passes understanding to envelope your family. Jim and Marty Randall, Jana Randall Elliott and Lorrie Randall Bradway

Lorrie Bradway - June 19 at 07:44 AM



“ Percy Smith was the best friend anyone could have ever enjoyed. Our story began in 1964 and will never end. I was introduced to them by his bride Vesta At their wedding. Vesta also introduced me to my Bride Earla of 56 years.

The four of us enjoyed good times together that will be remembered in our hearts forever.

Dick & Earla Anderson.

Dick Anderson - June 15 at 10:18 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Percy Smith.



June 13 at 04:41 PM



“ 11 files added to the album Family and Friends



Brooke Smith - June 13 at 02:05 PM



“ He is the best doctor I have ever met. Such a nice man. I always felt better when I left his office as a patient. He had to be a great doctor..the place was always full of patients waiting to see this man of God. He felt really bad one time because I had to wait so long...He said that he would be right back..he came back with a grocery sack of samples of medicine I needed. He will be missed. I was thinking about him yesterday while driving to McAlester. Later...I read my e-mails and found out that he had passed. I know 100% ..he is in Heaven and enjoying all the love and freedom that Heaven provides. Also...Jesus told me one time (inaudible voice) that Heaven has beautiful lakes. The Doctor will love catching fish that never die.

Larry Malcolm - June 13 at 08:22 AM



“ 22 files added to the album Family and Friends



Lisa - June 12 at 10:07 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Percy Smith.



June 12 at 09:40 PM



“ Percy was a true friend for over 70 years and was more of a brother than friend. Percy was the favorite of our class of '53 at Frederick High and has remained as such throughout the years. He and Vesta opened their beautiful lake complex to me and my family, summer after summer, never expecting anything in return. As to his medical career, he worked nights to put himself through medical school and was one of the last doctors who never “checked your insurance” before “checking your heart”. I truly mourn the passing of my brother and Nancy and I and all of my family will truly miss the “good doctor”. All of our love : Faulconer and Sutton families

Drude Faulconer - June 12 at 09:21 PM



“ Paula Coleman LPN lit a candle in memory of Dr. Percy Smith



Paula Coleman LPN - June 12 at 07:10 PM



“ 9 files added to the album Family and Friends



Lisa - June 12 at 06:12 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dr. Percy Smith.



June 12 at 04:51 PM



“ My heart is so sad to receive this news. Dr. Percy and Vesta have such a long history with our family. He was Granny's (Lorraine "Bill" Gregory), Mom's (Carolyn Anderson), and my doctor, all my life until his office retirement in Tulsa. We have so many memories and fond stories. Mom and I send our love and prayers to Vesta and the kids. May God give you peace and healing during this difficult time. Cherish all the wonderful moments you have shared over the years. Percy was such a blessing to so many. Thank you for sharing him with us. He will always live in our hearts and be the Gold Standard!

With love and prayers,
Sarah "Lori" Anderson-Meyer



“ 10 files added to the album Family and Friends



Scot Smith - June 11 at 09:42 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Family and Friends



Scot Smith - June 11 at 09:25 PM



“ Percy truly was the best! He was such a great friend to my grandfather, and we are all so blessed to have known him



Abby Sutton - June 11 at 08:26 PM



“ Bill and I are so sorry for your loss. Vesta we loved you both We loved being your neighbor. We also loved Percy being our Doctor until he retired. You both helped us raise our children. Thanks to Percy for being a mentor for our grandson to become a Doctor. We are thinking of you and all your family at this sorrowful time. Love to all of you Bill and Claudette Dragoun

claudette dragoun - June 11 at 07:34 PM



“ I am saddened by Dr Percys Death, He was such a wonderful man and Doctor,I had the priviledge of him being my Doctor for several years , When my Mom passed Dr Percy was such a kind soul in that Time.He would always come check on me to make sure I was doing ok..I was the Phone Operator at Cherokee Nation . He would tell me I had a wonderful phone voice when I would answer his calls at work..Ive never met a finer man.. Im sure gonna miss him..

Donnita Nipps - June 11 at 09:52 AM



“ GREAT MD,FABULOUS GUY, TRUE FRIEND,GOOD MEMORIES OF TU AND BRUCE George M

GMaurman - June 10 at 02:04 PM



“ Judie and Grover purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Dr. Percy Smith.



Judie and Grover - June 10 at 11:46 AM



“ We are so sorry to hear about the passing of our dear friend Percy. We have shared many good times with Vesta and Percy and have been friends for many years. Percy was a very special and caring friend and Doctor. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Vesta and the family at this difficult time.

Love,
Linda and Tom Groves

Linda Groves - June 09 at 04:51 PM



“ The Smiths Family,

Billy and I are so very sorry for your loss. Vesta you and Percy were in our lives for 15 years. I remember so many good times with our dear neighbors. You both are just wonderful people. I pray our Lord will give you strength to deal with your loss.

With much love,
Margie and Billy Moore

Billy & Margie Moore - June 09 at 03:51 PM



“ Rita W. purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Dr. Percy Smith.



Rita W. - June 09 at 02:48 PM



“ Dear Vesta,Brad,Lisa and Scott, my heart sank when I saw that Percy had passed. He was my friend and my doctor for many years. He was truly a caring doctor who would be at St Francis at 5:00 am in the morning checking on patients and at the office at 7:00 pm seeing patients. The last of the truly family doctors. For me: he even made house calls! Gina and I will never forget him. He was a good man and a great doctor. I am so sorry for your loss. Dick & Gina



Dick Mechtel - June 09 at 10:30 AM



“ Ina Morris lit a candle in memory of Dr. Percy Smith



Ina Morris - June 08 at 05:54 PM