



Jack R. Gardner

October 5, 1932 - April 24, 2009

Jack Reed Gardner, M.D., died Friday, April 24, 2009 at his home.

Dr. Gardner was born October 5, 1932 in Memphis, Tennessee to Ruby Reed and James L. Gardner, who preceded him in death.

He was raised in Wynne, where he graduated from Wynne High School. Dr. Gardner went on the University of Arkansas and received his medical degree from the University of Arkansas School of Medicine in 1961. He interned at St. Vincent Infirmary, did a fellowship in surgery with Dr. Henry Hollenberg, and an OB/GYN residency at UAMS.

In 1964, Dr. Gardner and his family moved to Searcy where he practiced medicine for 42 years. Dr. Gardner was instrumental in the building of White County Hospital where he served as 4th Chief of Staff.

Dr. Gardner was a member of Pi Kappa Fraternity. He served in the United States Air Force and was a faithful member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Searcy, where he served on the vestry for many years.

In his retirement, Dr. Gardner ran a gynecology clinic for St. Vincent Infirmary at St. Francis House in Little Rock.

He is survived by his wife Anne; daughter, Libby; son, Reed and his wife, Joy; granddaughters, Meg and Kate. He is also survived by a brother Gen. James L Gardner of Charleston, South Carolina; a sister, Jan Gattis of Little Rock.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be sent to the Trinity Episcopal Church Building Fund, The Winthrop Rockefeller Cancer Research Center; or the charity of your choice.

Visitation will be at Powell Funeral Home in Searcy on Sunday from 5 to 7 pm.
Funeral services for family and close friends will be Monday April 27th at 2 pm
at Trinity Episcopal Church in Searcy.

Arrangements entrusted to Powell Funeral Homes.

www.powellfuneralhome.net

Tribute Wall



“ Dr. Gardner was my Doctor thru two of my pregnancies. Now those two children are Jalesszia 21, She has a daughter of her own and my youngest son Johnathan 17. I was sadden to hear of his passing. He was such a nice person. I now he will surely be missed.

December 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I was saddened to hear of the death of Dr. Gardner. I first met Dr. Gardner in 1973 and he delivered my first child, Amanda, on January 7, 1974. He remained my friend throughout the years and he was my personal doctor at the time he retired. I thought a lot of Dr. Gardner. He was always so kind. May God comfort all of you during the difficult days ahead.

May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Ann, our prayers are with you and your family. I enjoyed working with DR. Gardner for many years. He was a wonderful physician and a great person. May God give you peace and comfort in the days ahead.

April 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Ann, Greg and I send our deepest sympathy for your loss. We have enjoyed getting to spend time with you both at the River cabin. He was a very special man and will always remain alive in our hearts. Maybe after you get things squared away we can share a glass of wine on either your deck or ours. Greg could cook us a steak. Love from both of us

April 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I am Mary Gath's daughter who was the sister of Lillian Laws and Martin Bradley. Cornelia Bradley was Jim's oldest sister and my Grandmother. She was Jack's aunt. I would visit Janet and always see Jack and Jim. Haven't seen him for years but wanted you to know that my thoughts and prayers are with you. From what I have heard Jack was a wonderful Doctor and did so much good for others.

April 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Libby & family,

I was so sorry to hear about the loss of your dad. You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers. May God bless you all during this difficult time.

April 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Loving you, Ann. Makes me smile that Jack delivered Holly thirty-eight years ago and more recently had such a fun connection with DY. I'm not sure who entertained the other more - Jack or David. Probably a tie! And the circle of life goes on.

*Our family is thinking of you and yours -
Jo Ann*

April 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dr. Gardner will always have a special place in my heart. He delivered both my daughters who are now 25 and 20. I will never forget him. He was such a kind, caring and compassionate doctor. Sending prayers to his family.

April 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I will never forget Dr. Gardner. On March 19, 1965 Dr. Gardner was called to Rogers Hospital to deliver my oldest daughter, Libby. I was having trouble delivering her and Dr. Gardner was called as I needed an obstructed birth specialist. Libby grew up married and now has 8 children of her own. I have thanked God many times for Dr. Gardner. I send much love and prayers to his family.

April 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM