



DR. TOM J. MITCHELL

Dr. Tom J. Mitchell passed away on November 17, 2008 in Columbus, Ohio, after a long illness. He was born in Grapeland, Texas, March 10, 1924.

Preceded in death by his mother Fannie Mae Pennington Mitchell and father Tom Mitchell Sr.; two sisters and one brother.

Survivors include one sister Mrs. Carsand Mitchell Williams, of Buna; three nephews and two nieces David Lund and Jay Garrison, of Orangefield, Stan Garrison and Carsienne Harvey, of Jasper, and Taunya Turner, of Liberty Hill.

He was a graduate of Hollis High School, Hollis, Oklahoma, where he was in the Honor Society and had Perfect Attendance. He also graduated from Oklahoma A&M College and Kansas City Medical School.

He served his internship in York, Pennsylvania, and residency in Columbus, Ohio, as anesthesiologist. He served in the United States Army Air Force during World War II and earned medals, First Oak Leaf Cluster to Air Medal and Distinguished Flying Cross, Asiatic Pacific Service Medal, Bronze Stars, Good Conduct Medal, and Overseas Bars. He was licensed to practice in 8 states in the US and in Vienna, Austria. He was a member of Mensa.

He belonged to the International Association of Anesthesiologists, AMA, Cleveland Area Heart Society, Phi Eta Sigma Fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega, Iota Tau Sigma Fraternity, and Masonic Lodge. At the age of 12 he was chosen as the representative in the Junior BYPU Memory Contest of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma. At the age of 13 he went to work to support his mother and 3 siblings after his father abandoned the family. To say he was a high achiever is an understatement.

Memorial Services for Dr. Tom J. Mitchell will be held Thursday, January 15, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church in Grapeland with Rev. David Bradley officiating. Military Graveside Services will follow in the Pennington Family Cemetery in Grapeland.

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