



S.W. Webber, Jr., D.D.S.

-Note of Thanks-

The kindness of friends softens the difficult times and makes rough paths easier to trod. We are most grateful for your prayers, sympathetic expressions, and thoughtful practical acts of support you have extended.

**THE FAMILY OF THE LATE
SPURGEON WILLARD WEBBER JR.**

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Celebrating the Life of Dr. Spurgeon W. Webber, Jr

January 26, 1934 - December 6, 2011



Saturday, December 10, 2011

10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Visitation
10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Alpha Phi Alpha
Charlotte Chapter (Omega Service)
Sigma Pi Phi Beta Delta Boule (Omega Service)

11:00 a.m. Service

Johnson C. Smith University Chapel
Charlotte, North Carolina

The Reverend H. Lynn McDowell, Officiating

Obituary

Dr. Spurgeon W. Webber Jr. went home to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on the morning of December 6, 2011 at Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Dr. Webber Jr. was born January 26, 1934 in Gastonia, North Carolina. He was the only child of the late Spurgeon and Dorothy Webber of Kings Mountain, North Carolina. He grew up in a Christian home with his first cousin Earl Hugh Webber, who he considered his brother. He continued his ties to the Kings Mountain (Lincoln Academy) community throughout his entire life as a member of First Congregational United Church of Christ, where he served as past Chairman of the Trustee Board and past President of the Churchmen's Fellowship. He was also named Father of the Year.

Dr. Spurgeon W. Webber Jr. served the Charlotte community for over 50 years as a dental practitioner. He is well-known for his community service and business endeavors. Dr. Webber Jr. served as a Captain in the United States Air Force Dental Corps at Dover Air Force Base in Dover, Delaware before going into private practice.

While in private practice, he established associate opportunities for over 30 dentists. Many of his associates now have their own practices.

Dr. Webber Jr. was the first African American to serve on the North Carolina Board of Dental Examiners and was the Past President of the Old North Dental Society, which honored him with its Distinguished Service Award. Dr. Webber Jr. is a life member of the American Dental Association and holds memberships in the National Dental Association, the North Carolina Dental Society, the Charlotte Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Society and Fellow of the Academy of General Dentistry.

Several of Dr. Webber Jr.'s business affiliations past and present were extensive. They include ownership of University Park Medical Center, Inc., founding partner in Metro-Crescent Communications, WJZY, Channel 46, AMICO (computer card manufacturing company) and chairman of the board, American Healthcare Supply Company.

Due to his dedicated service as vice-chairman of the board at Central Piedmont Community College, the college named their Dental Laboratory after him. The city of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County have recognized him for his years of civic involvement. Dr. Webber, Jr. earned the rank of Eagle Scout as a youth and served on Mecklenburg County Eagle Scout Award Committee. He was the campaign Chairman for the Hawkins for Governor Campaign in 1972.

He served on the Metro Charlotte Advisory Board of Wachovia Bank, as a board member for Delta Dental Plan of North Carolina, the Dental Foundation of North Carolina, the Board of Trustees at Central Piedmont Community College (Vice-Chairman), Winston-Salem State University (Chairman) and Laurinburg Institute. He was an active member of the Roberts, Borders, Howell, Briggs and related families reunion committee, in which his daughter Diedre Webber Humphrey is the current President.

Dr. Webber Jr. along with his wife, Jean established student scholarship programs and endowments at Central Piedmont Community College, Hampton University, Johnson C. Smith University as well as unrestricted gifts to Meharry Medical College and Winston Salem State University.

Dr. Webber Jr. received his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from Meharry Medical College School of Dentistry, where he received the President's Award, an award for Outstanding Service and Dedication to the field of dentistry. Hampton University conferred its Outstanding Alumnus Award on Dr. Webber Jr. He also received the Alumni Merit Award and North Carolina Region Hamptonian of the Year Award, the Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund Award of Excellence, the Urban League of Central Carolinas-Outstanding Community Champion Award, the Harvey Gantt Award-Patron of the Arts & Civic Leader Award and the Charlotte, Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Society's Life-Time Achievement Award. The Governor of North Carolina bestowed the state's highest honor to a civilian to Dr. Webber Jr., The Order of the Long Leaf Pine.

Dr. Webber Jr. was a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, the National Association of Guardsmen, Inc. and a Life Member of the NAACP.

He is survived by his devoted wife Loretta Jean (Hill) Webber and two adult children Deidra Webber Humphrey and husband Hubert Humphrey, Spurgeon Webber III, who is continuing his father's legacy in the dental profession and wife Sterlin Benson Webber, two grandchildren Hubert Tolison Humphrey, a junior at Duke University, Durham, North Carolina and Symphony Bouvier Webber a freshman at Providence Day School in Charlotte and first cousin/brother Earl Hugh Webber and wife Pat of Baltimore, Maryland, other cousins Karen Webber Ndour.

Dr. Webber Jr. and his wife, Jean have traveled all over the world to destinations in China, Japan, Hong Kong, West Africa, South Africa, South America, Cuba, Europe and throughout the Caribbean. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends and was an avid Charlotte Bobcats and Carolina Panther fan.