

# Dr. Gregory "Dr. Greg" Porter Grantham

May 4, 1937 - February 15, 2019

Dr. Gregory Porter Grantham, age 81, passed away Friday, February 15, 2019 after a short battle with Pancreatic Cancer. A native of St. Petersburg, FL, Dr. Grantham moved to Panama City in 1973 beginning his 45+ year practice of oral and maxillofacial surgery, as the first oral surgeon to serve Bay County. Dr. Grantham was a long-time member of First Baptist Church of Panama City. As an Eagle Scout, a Lt. Colonel (Retired) Q88 silver United States Army, and an active member of the Republican party, Dr. Grantham lived his life as a patriot and an active member of his community.

Dr. Grantham had a passion for being involved in the fabric of his community, providing his expertise to those people in need, supporting the education of Bay County students, and facilitating the availability of fine arts to Bay County residents. A few of the organizations to which he belonged in support of these passions include Bay Cares (Volunteer Physician), C.A.R.E (Board Member), St. Andrews Medical Center (Volunteer Physician of the year 2016), Give Kids A Smile, Panama City Music Association (Board Member, Past President), Rotary Club, and Lion's Club (Past President).

Holding dental licenses in the states of Florida, Kentucky, South Carolina, and New York, Dr. Grantham's professional achievements and contributions include career membership of the Bay County Dental Society (President 1983), Northwest Florida Dental Association (President 1987/1988), Florida Dental Association (Delegate 1986-1990), American Dental Association, Diplomat International Congress of Oral Implantology, American Academy of Implant Prosthodontics, (Fellow), American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (Fellow); Southeastern Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, and the Florida Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (President 2004/2005)

Dr. Grantham is preceded in death by his parents Mr. and Mrs. Oscar P. Grantham and granddaughter Lydia Ann Saenger. He is survived by his wife, Sandra Pate Grantham; his sister, Gail G. Hall; his two daughters Laura G. Davidenko (Brian) and Susan G. Saenger (Chuck); and his step-son, James McClain. Together, Dr. and Mrs. Grantham share six grandchildren: Carson Davidenko, Anastasia Davidenko, Audrey Saenger, Leo Saenger,



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Taylor McClain, and Kyra McClain. Funeral services for Dr. Grantham will be conducted Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 2:00 PM in the First Baptist Church of Panama City with Rev. Clyde Ellison officiating. Interment will follow at Lynn Haven Cemetery with full military honors being accorded at graveside. The family will receive friends one hour prior to

services at the church. The following gentlemen will serve as active pallbearers: Brian Davidenko, Chuck Saenger, Carson Davidenko, James McClain, Mark Nobles and Bryan Gandy. Honorary pallbearers will be: Dr. Howard Fisher, Mr. Hugh Roche, Congressman Neal Dunn, Dr. Edward Meszaros, Dr. James Campbell, Mr. Barlow Magee, Mr. Royce Scofield and Mr. Tom Mudge. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to C.A.R.E. in memory of Dr. Gregory Grantham