



Dr. Fulton W. Fite

May 16, 1928 - June 10, 2012

Fulton Williams Fite, M.D. (Col. USAF, Ret.)

Fulton Williams Fite was born May 16, 1928 in Muskogee, Oklahoma to E. Halsell Fite, M.D. and Elizabeth Williams Fite. He attended schools in Muskogee until 1944 when he went to Faribault, Minnesota to attend Shattuck Military School. He graduated from there in 1946 and then attended the University of Oklahoma where he pledged Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity. Fulton then transferred to the University of Virginia where he received both a Bachelor and Master's degree in Biology, and was an associate member of Sigma Xi (research fraternity). He then did graduate work in parasitology at the University of Georgia where he completed all but his thesis on a PHD. Fulton returned to UVA to attend medical school where he was a member of the Raven Society (Scientific Excellence), and the Phi Chi Medical Fraternity, from which he was presented the Eben J. Carey Memorial Award in Anatomy. He graduated from there with a Medical Degree in 1958. Dr. Fite did a rotating internship at Fitzsimons General Hospital in Denver, Colorado. He did a residency in General Surgery at Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center and then an Otolaryngology residency at Brooke Army Hospital at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. While in the Military he was Chief of the Department of Otolaryngology at the USAF Hospital, Clark AFB in the Philippines and then Chief of Otolaryngology at the USAF Academy in Colorado Springs. Dr. Fite then became Asst. Chief of Otolaryngology at Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center at Lackland AFB, Texas and Training Officer of USAF Residency Training

Program in Otolaryngology. In 1970 he became Chief of the Otolaryngology and Director of the Residency Training Program for the USAF. He was appointed as a Consultant to the Surgeon General in 1971 and was a Clinical Assistant Professor in Otorhinolaryngology at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio. While in the service he received the Air Force Commendation Medal for Meritorious Service and on retirement was awarded the United States Meritorious Service Medal. Dr. Fite was a Fellow in the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology, and the American College of Surgeons. He was a member of the South Texas Chapter of the American College of Surgeons, Society of Military Otolaryngologists where he served as President, Society of Air Force Clinical Surgeons, where he served as Secretary-Treasurer, Life Member of the Military Officers Association and member of The Deafness Research Foundation (Centurion Club), Life Member of the American Medical Association, the Oklahoma Medical Association, and the East Central Medical Association, Alumni Association at O.U., Alumni Association UVA. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and of the First Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Fite retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1977 and entered private practice in Muskogee. He retired from his private practice in 1992. Fulton married Francis Ann Woodard in 1952. This marriage ended in 1976. He married Shirley I. (Venus) Storts on March 5, 1977. They enjoyed traveling to all but two states in the U.S. and to Canada and Mexico. Fulton enjoyed bird hunting, antelope hunting in Wyoming, and deer and elk hunting. He also enjoyed reading and was a Civil War Buff.

Dr. Fite was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers, Coleman B. Fite and Edward H. Fite, M.D. He is survived by his wife, Shirley; his children, Cynthia (Cindi) and husband Gary Uecker of Kendelia, Texas, Kevin F. Fite and wife Lela of Tulsa, Kathryn (Kathi) and husband Steve Estes of Elgin, Texas; step-children, Richard Storts, Cheryl and husband Kurt Robinson of Muskogee, Linda and husband Scott Smith of Piedmont, OK; 13 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Please make any remembrances to your favorite charity.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN 13. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
500 W. Broadway
Muskogee, OK 74401

Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Fulton W. Fite*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *I am sorry to hear of the loss of Dr. Fite. He took care of my two children when they were little. He was a good man and physician.*
Elaine Alexander

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