



Dr. Otis B. Michael Sr.

September 13, 1931 - May 2, 2014

DR. OTIS B. MICHAEL — Baltimore resident, father, medical doctor, politician and friend to so many — passed away on May 2, 2014. Otis was 82 at the time and is survived by his three children: Otis B. Michael Jr. (Redmond, Washington), Robin M. Earnest, Esq. (College Park, Maryland), and Nikkie L. Friedman (Long Island, New York). Otis is also survived by two loving grandchildren: Gavin Friedman and Sara Earnest. Otis was born on Friday, September 13 1931, as the first son of the late Otis Bentley Michael, MD and Nannie Patterson. However, for Otis, Friday the 13th was anything but unlucky. Like his father, Otis excelled at the art of medicine and attended Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee. After graduating from Meharry with honors, Otis went on to become an accomplished physician and politician in his own right. Notably, after graduating Otis returned to his hometown of Asheville, North Carolina and opened a thriving practice specializing in internal medicine and cardiology. Otis' medical career proved to be typified by extraordinary accomplishments. For example, he combined his love of flying with his love of medicine and created an air-ambulance service by which he flew patients to locations where they could obtain proper treatment. Otis owned and loved flying airplanes. His political career was equally stellar. Notably, Otis served as a commissioner on the Asheville Redevelopment Commission. In 1975 he ran as a Republican for Asheville City Council and won. Both Democrats and Republicans supported his candidacy. Otis was viewed as a solid, sensible hometown candidate who

believed in the idea that by working together people can solve their own problems. He served two terms on City Council. In 2000, Otis retired from his medical practice and moved to Baltimore to be near his sister and brother-in-law, Helen and Doward Patterson, and his daughters, Robin and Nikkie. Still, Otis continued to work in the field of medicine, lecturing and affiliating with the University of Maryland and Johns Hopkins Hospitals. In 2008 he was honored by Johns Hopkins Hospital and the Swirnow Charitable Foundation with a lectureship in his name to recognize life-long dedication to the medical profession. In 2006 he served as Chairman of Baltimore's Commission on Aging. Otis was well known for his laughter, optimism and folksy sayings like: "If the Lord be willing and the creek don't rise," and "Plant you now and dig you later." He enjoyed flying, golf, poker, bridge and having a good time with his friends. He was a faithful brother in Sigma Pi Phi and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternities.

Previous Events

Wake

MAY 15. 6:00 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Otis B. Michael Sr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Dr. Otis Bentley Michael was a Very Special Human Being Who Will Be Sorely*

Missed !

Sincerely,

J. Singleton (Former Asheville Resident And Shirley Singleton's Son)

J. SINGLETON - May 26, 2014 at 11:35 PM



“ *To the Michael Family*

Thinking of you during your time of grief. Sending our love and prayers. May God's Love strengthen and comfort you.

The Parham's- John, Margie, and Chanel

John Parham - May 14, 2014 at 10:48 PM

AA

“ To you and your family with deepest sympathy. You are cared about so very much at tis time of loss.

Albert & Shirley Anderson



Albert & Shirley Anderson - May 13, 2014 at 08:19 PM

JL

“ Johnny and Darcel Lloyd purchased the A Full Life for the family of Dr. Otis B. Michael Sr..



Johnny and Darcel Lloyd - May 13, 2014 at 11:51 AM

NI

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Nikkie - May 13, 2014 at 11:29 AM

JS

My name is J. Singleton-----My Mother, Shirley Singleton was a college classmate and very close friend of Otis and Lavie Michael. This is a lovely photograph and your Mother is still a VERY BEAUTIFUL LADY.

J. SINGLETON - May 26, 2014 at 11:31 PM

NI

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Nikkie - May 13, 2014 at 11:28 AM

DL

“ Our condolences to the Michael Family in the loss of their loved one. Dr. Michael was a dedicated and compassionate Physician. We will always remember him as our Doctor. But more than that, we will cherish our memories of him as Friend, Mentor and Godfather.

*The Lloyd's,
Johnny, Darcel, Godson Johnny G. and Jaron*

Darcel Lloyd - May 11, 2014 at 10:23 PM

TS

“ The SWAGS purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Dr. Otis B. Michael Sr..



The SWAGS - May 07, 2014 at 11:20 AM

SL

“ I am so sorry for your loss. We can find comfort from God's word the Bible. Most people who have died will be resurrected. Jesus promised that "those in the memorial tombs will... come out." (John 5:28-29) In harmony with Jehovah God's original purpose those resurrected as humans will have the opportunity to live on a paradise earth. (Luke 23:43) This promised future includes perfect health and everlasting life for obedient humans. The Bible says "The righteous will possess the earth and they will live forever on it."-Psalms 37:29. May Jehovah God of all comfort help you during this sad time (2 Corinthians 1:3-4).

For more encouragement please visit www.Jw.org.

sherries lee - May 05, 2014 at 11:54 AM

CA

“ Sorry for your loss, may Jehovah give you and your family comfort in your time of need. 1 Corinthians 1:3,4.

Carolyn - May 04, 2014 at 09:09 AM

LF

“ Our family would like to express condolences to The Michael Family. May you find comfort from Jehovah God's Word The Bible where He assures our dear loved ones of a resurrection to a restored beautiful paradise earth. He even promises us at 1 Corinthians 15:26 that "the last enemy death will be brought to nothing". Our prayers are with your family.

linn & family - May 03, 2014 at 04:40 PM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

March Funeral Homes - May 03, 2014 at 10:29 AM