DR. HUGH McLEOD III

Dr. Hugh C. McLeod, III died at MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas on Friday, September 30 following a courageous fight with leukemia.

He was 61 and is survived by his wife of 31 years, Leslie, and his daughter Lauren. He was the son of the late Dr. and Mrs. Hugh C. McLeod, Jr. of Jackson and the brother of Dr. Dan McLeod of Yazoo City and Katherine McLeod of Jackson.

Hugh McLeod was born in Hattiesburg, he graduated from William B. Murrah High School in Jackson. Dr. McLeod was an honors graduate of the University of Mississippi and the University of Mississippi School of Medicine.

He conducted his surgical internship at the University of Utah and his orthopaedic residency at Georgia Baptist Medical Center and Scottish Rite Hospitals. He received a prestigious post-residency appointment as an orthopaedic fellow in Adult Joint Reconstructive Surgery at Royal London Hospital, where he also served as the orthopaedic lecturer at the London School of Medicine. Dr. McLeod was certified by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery and was a Fellow in the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons.

In 1991, Dr. McLeod founded Atlanta Orthopaedic Specialists in Marietta, Georgia where he served a range of patients from children and athletes to young professionals and seniors. He maintained active memberships in numerous medical organizations, including the Atlanta and Georgia Orthopaedic Societies and the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons

Dr. McLeod was known for his love of sports. He played varsity baseball for the University of Mississippi. In 1972, his team competed in the Collegiate World Series, which was the last time the University appeared in the tournament.

Dr. McLeod served as the Medical Director for the Bellsouth Golf Classic for over 18 years, and was a staple for the athletic program at Walton High School. Dr. McLeod established the school's Sports Medicine Program, and in 2001 the program was re-named The Hugh C. McLeod MD Wellness Complex and Sports Medicine Center.

Dr. Hugh McLeod was a man of great dedication and integrity. He was a loving and devoted husband to Leslie and a caring and thoughtful father to Lauren. He was beloved by his patients and staff.

He was steadfast in his service to his community and was a leader in civic responsibilities. He served on the Board of Directors of the Arthritis Foundation, Southeastern Region, the Leadership Board for the Osteoporosis Foundation, and was past President for the Phoenix Society. Dr. McLeod was a member of Atlanta Country Club.

Hugh and Leslie are known for their tireless efforts in supporting charities throughout Atlanta. He let his life speak more than his words, and his friends were enriched by his presence.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, October 6, 7 pm at Walton High School in Raider Valley, Marietta, Georgia. In lieu of flowers, his family asks that contributions be made to the Hugh C. McLeod Wellness Complex and Sports Medicine Center at Walton High School; or the Georgia Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation; or the Lymphoma and Leukemia Society.