



Dr. Marvin Tavaréz

January 16, 2018

Marvin Tavaréz, M.D.

Dr. Marvin Tavaréz, 90, passed away peacefully in his home on Tuesday, January 16, 2018. Marvin was born on September 13, 1927 in Mexico City, the son of Vicente and Margarita Tavaréz. He attended both grade school and high school at the Holding Institute in Laredo, Texas. He then attended the University of Texas at Austin from 1946-1950, where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Chemistry and Bacteriology. Medical school followed (1950-1955) at the University of Nuevo Leon in Monterrey, Mexico. In 1956, he completed a rotating internship at Sioux Valley Hospital, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, where he met Alice Elizabeth Mills. They married in Sioux Falls on June 24, 1957. From 1958 to 1961, he was a resident in Internal Medicine at Scott & White Hospital in Temple, TX. After four years in Temple, Marvin and Alice moved to McAllen where he started his private practice in February 1962. Three years later his younger brother Hiram joined him in the practice. In June of that same year, his older brother Vicente opened his own surgery practice and the group later became known as Tavaréz Medical Center.

Marvin was a member of the American Society of Internal Medicine and was very active in the medical community. He served as Assistant Professor of Medicine for the University of Texas Residency Program in McAllen. Marvin was Chief of Staff at McAllen General Hospital (1976-1977) and a member of the board of directors at McAllen Medical Center (1978-1987). He was also on

the Board of Directors at Rio Grande Regional Hospital from 1989-1998, serving as board chairman from 1990-1992 and Chief of Medicine twice. Marvin was active in the community in numerous organizations serving as an Elder at First Presbyterian Church McAllen, Rotary International, The Salvation Army Advisory Board Chairman, The McAllen Country Club Board of Directors and the Advisory Board of the South Texas Symphony Association. He and his brother Hiram were honored by the Muscular Dystrophy Association in 2006 were recipients of the Oscar Cardenas Humanitarian Award. Marvin quietly donated countless hours to McAllen ISD giving physicals to athletes and serving as team doctor for many years to the McHi football teams.

Marvin is survived by his wife of 60 years, Alice; son Marvin Jr. (Pleasanton, TX); son Ronnie and wife Eva and grandsons Vince and Ryan (McAllen, TX); brother Hiram and wife Kathe (McAllen, TX), sister Hilda Tavarez Menendez (Rio Bravo, MX), and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother Vicente and sister Mildred.

The family would like to acknowledge Tencha Irlas, Luis Posadas, and Ada Alanis for their compassionate, tender, and loving care for Marvin during the past several years.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, January 21st at Kreidler Funeral Home from 4 pm to 7 pm. Following a private family burial, a memorial service will be held on Monday, January 22nd at First United Methodist Church McAllen at 3 pm. Serving as pallbearers are sons Marvin Jr. and Ronnie, grandsons Vince and Ryan, brother Dr. Hiram, and nephews Vicente III and Hiram Jr. Honorary pallbearers are Ruben Cardenas, Bill Duck and Sally Brace.

The family suggests that memorial donations be made to the Salvation Army (1600 N. 23rd St, McAllen, TX 78501) or The Vannie E. Cook Jr. Cancer Foundation (101 W. Expy 83, McAllen, TX 78503).

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **21**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kreidler Funeral Home, Inc.

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Funeral Service

JAN **22**. 3:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church of McAllen

4200 N. McColl Rd.

McAllen, TX

Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Marvin Tavarez*

October 08, 2023 at 09:43 PM



“ *Dr. Marvin Tavarez*

November 29, 2022 at 06:40 AM



“ *First, my condolences to the Tavares family. I knew Dr. Marvin because Dr. Hiram was my doctor. On rare occasions when I was unable to see Dr. Hiram, Dr. Marvin stepped in. However, every time I was in the office, I was always taken by Dr. Marvin's smiles, kindness, & gentle laughs. I never saw him when he was not pleasant & kind & jovial. He & his brothers were a remarkable team...I saw them all as a patient & admire them greatly! I've missed them since I left the RGV in 1992!*

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“ I knew Dr. Marvin Tavarez, my uncle, for most of my life. He was a rock in our family. He always greeted me with a kind smile and I felt his strength comfort me through the ups and downs of life.

One of my favorite times with Marvin and Alice was in 2009 when I was visiting McAllen on business. Marvin, Alice and me travelled to San Padre Island to enjoy the Gulf breeze.

We were sitting at a table on a deck with a beautiful view of the beach. Marvin saw a new employee at the McAllen Medical Center sitting by himself in front of our comfortable deck. He said “Please join us for a beer and conversation.” The man did and we had a wonderful time.

Though Marvin didn't drink, he vicariously enjoyed our semi-sober laughs and stories. He told the man who joined us: “I know you are new here and I want to welcome you to our family.” Marvin saw every person as a member of his family.

Ken Mills - January 21, 2018 at 05:48 PM