



## Dr. Wayne P. Hyatt

December 17, 1914 - January 26, 2015

Dr. Wayne Paris Hyatt died peacefully at Burns Nursing Home in Russellville, Ala., on January 26, 2015, at the age of 100.

Dr. Hyatt was a staff member at Helen Keller Hospital and Russellville Hospital, where he served on the Board of Trustees. His Russellville practice included being medical director for all three nursing homes and Franklin Apartments. He was a physician for the Russellville High School band and football team, as well as the Boy Scouts.

Dr. Hyatt had a solo internal medicine practice in Russellville following his association with the Russellville Clinic from 1958 to 1975 and with the Medical Arts Clinic. He retired in October 1999 at the age of 84, after limiting his practice to bariatrics in 1997. Before moving to Russellville in February 1958, he maintained a medical practice in Marks and Hattiesburg, Miss.

His professional memberships included the American Geriatric Society, American College of Angiology, American Bariatrics Society, American Medical Association, Alabama State Medical Association, and the Franklin County Medical Society, where he was secretary and treasurer for 20 years.

Dr. Hyatt was born near Tazewell, Tenn., on December 17, 1914, and graduated from Carson Newman College in Jefferson City, Tenn., in 1939. In

1944 he graduated from the University of Tennessee Medical School in Memphis. After an internship at Delaware Hospital in Wilmington, he completed a three-year residency in internal medicine at John Gaston Hospital in Memphis and participated in international medical studies in Europe, Asia, Australia and South America.

He was a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason, member of the Franklin County Shrine Club, and life member of the Cahaba Shrine Temple in Huntsville, Ala.

Dr. Hyatt was a Civitan Club member and president of the Russellville Lions Club. He was also a charter member of the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce and Twin Pines Country Club. He participated in school, police, and fire department projects, and many health-related drives benefiting such charities as the American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, and the March of Dimes.

His military service included duty in the U.S. Army, Navy and Marine Corps. He was stationed at the Naval air Base, Bremerton, Wash., Camp Shoemaker and Stockton Naval Base in California and Kaneohe Bay, Oahu, Hawaii. He was also a member of The American Legion.

He was an active member of the Russellville First United Methodist Church since 1958 and served for many years on the Administrative Board and Finance Committee.

Dr. Hyatt's hobbies included photography, reading, golf, raising African violets, and traveling. He had visited all 50 states and at least 35 foreign countries.

He married Louise Windham on March 2, 1946 and was father of two children.

He leaves behind a son, Wayne P. Hyatt, Jr. M.D. and wife Fran, Trussville,

Ala.; a daughter, Carolyn H. Samelson and husband Les, Eagle, Colo.; three, grandchildren Jenna Samelson Browning and husband, Dave, Lee E. Samelson III, and Hallie W. Hyatt, and great-grandchildren Alexander W. and Bryson H. Browning.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Virgil and Vinnie Hyatt; his wife, Louise Windham Hyatt; his sister, Zella Hyatt Mills; and his brother, Norman Lyle Hyatt.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, February 4, 2015, from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. at First United Methodist Church Russellville, Ala. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. in the church with entombment in Franklin Memory Mausoleum.

# Cemetery Details

## Franklin Memory Mausoleum

2710 Waterloo Road  
Russellville, AL 35653

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 4. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church-Russellville  
311 Jackson Avenue North  
Russellville, AL

## Funeral Service

FEB 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church-Russellville  
311 Jackson Avenue North  
Russellville, AL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Lee Samelson lit a candle in memory of Wayne Hyatt*



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**Lee Samelson** - January 26, 2023 at 10:25 PM



“ *Lee Samelson lit a candle in memory of Dr. Wayne P. Hyatt*



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**Lee Samelson** - January 27, 2018 at 12:42 AM



“ *Lee Samelson lit a candle in memory of Dr. Wayne P. Hyatt*



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**Lee Samelson** - January 26, 2017 at 06:21 PM



“ *Lee Samelson lit a candle in memory of Dr. Wayne P. Hyatt*



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**Lee Samelson** - January 26, 2016 at 11:19 PM

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“ *Lee Samelson lit a candle in memory of Dr. Wayne P. Hyatt*



Lee Samelson - July 12, 2015 at 07:59 PM



“ *Dr. Hyatt you will be missed. I loved working for you. You and Louise were so good to me and everyone that worked for you. Now you have gotten your Angel wing's so may you Rest In Paradise. God gave me time to work with you and the mentoring I learned from you and Mrs. Hyatt will never be forgotten just as neither of you will be. I want to thank God for allowing me the opportunity*



Dana Greene-Davis - February 03, 2015 at 01:00 AM

KT

“ *What a remarkable life he lived! Prayers for all the Hyatt family.*

Kathy Thorsen - February 02, 2015 at 06:00 PM

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*Dr. Hyatt was a brilliant Dr. And a wonderful person. We need more like him.*

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*Dear Carolyn, Wayne & Family,*

*I was so sorry to hear about your Father. We were out of town or would have attended the funeral. He lived a good, long life.*

*We go way back to when you first moved to Russellville. I remember your big home on Cotaco; playing in the neighborhood; Girl Scout activities & going to church together. I always thought your Mother was so neat. She had such fun ideas & things for us to do. Having lived in Hawaii was fascinating to me as a child. Your Dad always seemed quiet, nice, pleasant, smiling and intelligent. He pierced my ears (when Mother finally said I was old enough)!*

*Later we all moved to Woodland Hills & grew up from there. Many good memories. I enjoyed being a bridesmaid in your wedding, Carolyn.*

*I was privileged to have a little visit with your Mother & Dad a short while before she passed away. He was at the table eating...still quiet & smiling.*

*They were wonderful people in every way and gave you all the time and love good parents should. They will be missed. I believe we will always miss our parents. We are all fortunate to have had many years of good memories to cherish.*

*All of you are in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Beverly Clark Wiginton*

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**Beverly Clark Wiginton** - February 13, 2015 at 09:30 AM