



## Samuel T. Hart

August 23, 1920 - December 7, 2010

Samuel Turner Hart, a resident of Trinity Oaks Retirement Community in Salisbury, NC died December 7, 2010.

Born on August 23, 1920, Sam was the son of Henry Howard and Fannie Turner Hart. He grew up in Mooresville, NC in a large happy family with 7 brothers and sisters. He was a graduate of Mooresville Central High School, Lees-McRae College and Emory University Dental School.

In 1943, Dr. Hart reported to Carlisle, Pennsylvania for Officers Basic Training. He was sent to England and France via Omaha Beach. He served in the 395th Regiment Dental Office 99th Infantry Division and was a recipient of the Purple Heart. He was cited in 1944 for bravery with a Certificate of Merit.

After WWII, Dr. Hart moved to High Point, NC where he practiced dentistry for 38 years. He was instrumental in organizing the High Point Dental Society and served as its first president. During this time he was a leader in promoting the fluoridation of the High Point water supply. He was also active in the Guilford County society, serving as its president during the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the American Dental Association. He was very active as an Elder and Deacon of the Presbyterian Church. He served his community as a member of the Rotary Club, Jaycees and the Masons.

Sam led a life that embodied acts of selflessness, integrity, and honesty. He loved and respected others deeply and never failed to reach out to those around him. He extended his heart to his family and friends with acts that exemplified his strong faith and character.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 34 years, Mary Johnston Hart, his first wife Genevieve Hart and their daughters Elizabeth Hart Harris and Patricia Hart Carstensen, son-in-law Laurence William Carstensen, grandchildren: Tyler Harris, Sarah Harris, Emily Carstensen, Betsy Carstensen, and Evan Carstensen, brothers, Harry and Donald Hart and sisters, Helen Barber and Virginia Edmiston.

A service honoring Sam's life will be held on December 10th at 2:00 Friday afternoon in the assembly room at the Trinity Oaks Retirement Community, 728 Klumac Road, Salisbury NC.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Hart Scholarship Fund at Prospect Presbyterian Church, 425 W. NC 152 Highway, Mooresville, NC 28115, or the Trinity Oaks Scholarship Fund at Trinity Oaks, 728 Klumac Road, Salisbury, NC 28144-5714.