



Marcus B. "Tommy" Dalkowitz

October 3, 1922 - October 26, 2009

MARCUS B. "TOMMY" DALKOWITZ

Marcus B. "Tommy" Dalkowitz born on Oct. 3, 1922. He was predeceased by his devoted sister, Hermine Dalkowitz Tobolowsky, who was the "Mother of the Texas Equal Legal Rights Amendment." Tommy was the son of Maurice Dalkowitz, a Lithuanian immigrant, who became a south Texas merchant, and his wife, Nora Brown, from Belton, Texas. Tommy graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School in 1939, where he was in the ROTC and marched in the band. He then attended the University of San Antonio, later part of Trinity University. He was drafted in 1942 and served in the U.S. Army Air Corps for 38 months. He toured the Pacific Theater. After the War, he earned a B.S. in business at St. Mary's. He attended the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas. After completing his residency in Louisville, Kentucky, Tommy was selected for a special fellowship at M.D. Anderson in Houston, where he learned pioneering surgical techniques to treat breast cancer. From 1967-2002, he maintained a medical practice in general surgery, where he focused on breast, trauma and abdominal surgery until his retirement at 80 years of age. Tommy was an honest person, hard-working doctor, and a very loving father. He was a talented surgeon who had a special gift for diagnosing an illness and successfully treating it. He treated many patients who survived for several years, sometimes decades, after his surgery.

He was also a very compassionate and generous doctor. Tommy is survived by his wife of 51 years, Lucile; two sons, John and David; and daughter, Anastasia Marie Stacy Sauerwein, and her husband, Steve Sauerwein; his grandchildren Kevin, Andrew and, Katelynn Sauerwein, and Maxwell Preston French; and his cousin Allan Smith. His loyal assistant Rosie Aguilar and his many colleagues and friends from the Downtown Baptist Hospital were considered his family as well. Pall bearers and honorary pall bearers include Genie Wright, Martha E. Martinez, Mary Martinez, Allan Smith, Kevin Sauerwein, Steve Sauerwein and the Tom C. Clark Cougar football team. Funeral services will be on Wednesday, October 28, 2009 at 1:00 P.M., at Oak Hills Mortuary. Interment to follow in Mission Retama Cemetery with Military Honors. In lieu of flowers, you can make a donation in his memory to the MD Anderson Cancer Center at PO Box 4486, Houston, Texas 77210-4486 or 1-800-525-5841 for donations over the phone. Donations to Susan G. Komen for the Cure in Marcus B. Dalkowitz' name are also encouraged.

Tribute Wall

MS

“ *My deepest sympathy to your family.*

Mary Sardo - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ *Dear Lucy and children:*

Larry was remembering all the antics Dr. Tom and he would do during all the PTA chicken dinners they attended.

May all the wonderful memories comfort you.

You are in my thoughts Lucy.

Charlotte and Larry Travis

Charlotte Travis - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *Dear Tommy I thank heaven for having had the privilege to live on this planet during the same centuries of you passing through here may you rest in paradise where you came from Dear Fellow sincerely Elaine and Angel Jimenez*

A.R.Jimenez MD - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *My sincere condolences to his family.
I will miss my friend.I will miss his smile,his wit and his enduring
optimism.
I will cherish the many times we spent working in late surgeries.To
all of them, he brought his knowledge and enthusiasm.
Rest in peace*

Dr. Al Madrid - October 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *Our condolences and prayers to the family. We will miss him very
much. The days will never be the same. He used to call every
morning just to see how we were. So caring.*

Delfino and Patricia Gutierrez - October 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ *Extending our heartfelt condolences on the loss of your loved one.
Directors & Staff at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North & Oak Hills
Mortuary*

Mission Park Funeral Chapels North - October 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Tommy was a wonderful father and a good friend. When visiting
David and Tommy, he was always in good spirts and an inspiration
to David. We'll will miss his many stories and his sense of humor.
He always thought alot about his family and would share*

John, Barbara, Megan & Corey Haines - October 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM