



Dr. Randolph L. Turner, Jr.

November 2, 2020

Dr. Randolph L. Turner, Jr., of Blacksburg, VA, passed away in his home on November 2, 2020 surrounded by a grateful and loving family.

Dr. Turner was a graduate of Hampton High School (Hampton, VA), where he was an Eagle Scout and president of his senior class.

After high school, Dr. Turner attended Virginia Tech. He was a member of the Corps of Cadets, and as a co-op student he worked every other quarter at the NASA Langley Research Center. He graduated with a BS in physics.

After graduating from Virginia Tech, Dr. Turner worked at the NASA Langley Research Center, contributing to many projects including Apollo and Voyager.

After NASA, Dr. Turner graduated from the dental and orthodontic schools at the Medical College of Virginia (MCV). He moved to Blacksburg in 1973, and practiced orthodontics from 1973-2019, serving patients in Blacksburg, Christiansburg, and Pearisburg, VA.

Dr. Turner was a member of the following professional organizations: College of the Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics, Southwest Virginia Dental Society (past president), MCV Orthodontic Foundation for Education, American Association of Orthodontists, Virginia Association of Orthodontists,

Southern Association of Orthodontists, American Dental Association, Virginia Dental Association, Delta Sigma Delta Dental Fraternity, and the Roanoke Valley Study Club. Additionally he held certifications from both the National and Virginia Boards of Dental Examiners.

Dr. Turner was a past member of the Blacksburg Rotary Club and a member of Blacksburg United Methodist Church, and a member of the Woodland Hills Inc. Board of Directors. He was a devoted and loving father, had a life-long passion for sailing, was an avid music enthusiast, and always enjoyed a good laugh with friends and family.

He is survived by his wife, Louise Fitzpatrick Turner; three children, Katherine Louise Turner, William Douglas Turner (Carolyn Muhlstein), and Fitzpatrick McGinnis Turner; two grandchildren: Alexander McGinnis Turner and McGinnis Aimee Muhlstein Turner; his brother, Charles Andrew Turner; and brother-in-law, Hamilton Douglas Fitzpatrick, Jr.

Due to COVID, the family conducted a private burial at Sunrise Burial Park, Radford, VA. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Dr. Turner's memory to the New River Valley Community Health Center (chcnrv.org), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

Tribute Wall

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“ I had a nice talk with Ranny Lee at my moms 90 th birthday celebration several years ago. I found him to be very engaging, and enjoyed our talk about mutual interests,mainly professional interests. Condolences and love to his family.
Dr. Paul Turner and wife Shannon

paul turner M.D. - November 06, 2020 at 01:31 PM

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“ Thanks for turning my Smile into a 7,000\$ one 😊❤️ Forever great full

jessica - November 04, 2020 at 09:14 PM

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“ So sorry to hear it.
Dr. Turner was a great Orthodontist and he did good by me.
May God bless and comfort the family now and in the days ahead. 🙏



Teresa Short - November 04, 2020 at 04:24 PM