



## Dr. John H. Holliday

November 5, 1918 - August 21, 2014

Dr. John H. Holliday, 95, of Travelers Rest, passed away on Thursday, August 21, 2014 at his home.

He was born in Toney Creek, SC , which later became Belton, SC on November 5, 1918, to Robert H. and Lonie Ellison Holliday.

During World War II, he served in the European Theater as a First Lieutenant Medical Service Corps in the 771st tank Battalion, 84th Infantry Division which participated in the Rhineland, Ardennes (Battle of the Bulge) and Central European Campaigns. He was awarded the Purple Heart and Combat Medical Badge, and authorized the Bronze Star Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster.

After returning from service in World War II, he graduated from Furman University with a B.S. degree and went on to graduate from the Medical University of South Carolina. In 1951, he started his medical practice in Travelers Rest. Dr. Holliday was a member of the Greenville County Medical Association, South Carolina Medical Association, American Medical Association, and served as Treasurer of the Greenville County Medical Society for three years. He was a Board Certified member of the American Academy of Family Physicians. Dr. Holliday practiced medicine until 1993. Dr. Holliday was an active member of his church and community. He was a communicant and former Vestry Member of St. James Episcopal Church. He was a forty year member and Past President of the Travelers Rest Lions Club; Past President of the Travelers Rest Elementary PTA; and served two four-

year terms on the Greenville Area Mental Health Board.

He and his wife loved to travel and traveled extensively throughout the world visiting all of the 50 states, much of Canada and Europe, the Middle East, the Caribbean and South and Central America. They loved hiking and canoeing and were active with the Greenville Natural History Association for many years. They canoed many rivers throughout the US until they were in their 80's. They enjoyed Bridge and belonged to several Bridge Clubs throughout their lives.

He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

Surviving are his wife of sixty-six years, Ilse Kramer Holliday, four children: Bob (Judy) Holliday , Carol Holliday, Mike (Dondi) Holliday , and Danny (Maryellen) Holliday ; grandchildren: Holly (Chuck) Smith, Erin Banonis, Kelly Holliday, Lindsay Holliday, Andrew (Valerie) Holliday, and LCPL Patrick Holliday, USMC; and great-grandchildren: Ashton Smith and Summer Smith. Dr. Holliday was predeceased by two sisters, Geraldine Cantrell, Williamston, SC and Audrey Campbell, Belton, SC.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday Morning at 11 o'clock at St. James Episcopal Church. Burial will follow in Mountain View Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends Monday evening from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at the Howze Mortuary.

Memorials may be made to the Furman University Endowment Fund, C/O Furman University Development Office, 3300 Poinsett Hwy., Greenville, SC 29613.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.thehowzemortuary.com](http://www.thehowzemortuary.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Mountain View Memorial Park formerly Grand View Memorial Gardens

7 Duncan Rd.  
Travelers Rest, SC

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **25**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary  
6714 State Park Rd./P.O. Box 369  
Travelers Rest, SC

## Church Service

AUG **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. James Episcopal Church  
301 Piney Mountain Rd.  
Greenville, SC 29609

# Tribute Wall

LP

“ To the entire Holliday families, we're so sorry for your loss. May God bless each of you .

*Lee & Marie Poole*



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**Lee Poole** - August 31, 2014 at 10:19 AM

TH

“ My deepest sympathy goes out to the Holliday family. I would not have come into this world without Dr. Holliday who also mended my many cuts and scrapes. He always had such a kind and gentle spirit!

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**Tena Foster Headden** - August 26, 2014 at 10:18 PM

LS

“ Carol - my deepest sympathies on the loss of your father. I remember him and your mom as very sweet, dear people. Tom McAbee was kind enough to let me know about this. I'm so sorry for your loss.

*Lynda (Burton) Sappington*

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**Lynda Sappington** - August 26, 2014 at 10:06 AM



“ *Dr. Holiday is now with--The Great Physician--What a homecoming around the throne in Heaven. A legacy in Travelers Rest Family Practice has departed us but memories live on, from early childhood we The Spencer Children (Joann, Joyce and Tommy) will always remember Dr. Holiday. A long productive life and our sincere sympathy is extended to the family.*

*Mrs Hazel Spencer (now 100) Ronald and Joann Jones, George and Joyce Fisher*

*Tommy and Jacque Spencer*

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**Joann Jones** - August 26, 2014 at 07:57 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dr. John H. Holliday.*



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August 25, 2014 at 06:37 PM



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August 25, 2014 at 05:14 PM

TR

“ *Danny I am sorry to hear about your Dad. You and your FAMILY are in my THOUGHTS and PRAYERS!!!*

*Terry Reeves*

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**Terry Reeves** - August 25, 2014 at 01:36 PM

SW

“ *Dear Holliday family, I am so sorry for the loss of your beloved father. He was my first doctor when my family moved to South Carolina. He was a wonderful man and a great physician. He had the kindest and most gentle spirit. He was so easy to talk to and I'm sure I gave him much to laugh about. I have missed him all these years that he wasn't at Travelers Rest Family Practice. And now, I will miss him more. May your wonderful memories and the joy you once shared comfort you in this time of great sadness. My sincerest condolence to each of you, you are in my thoughts and prayers.*



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**Sherry Maden Williams** - August 25, 2014 at 08:31 AM

BB

“ *Dr. Holliday was a great humanitarian and friend to all who knew him. He has taken care of several generations of my family and even though some of those times may have hurt a little (stitches), we have all loved the times we spent being treated by a caring soul like Dr. Holliday. God gained a wonderful man! Just think of all the people he has helped over the years! You will be in our prayers and Jesus will certainly give you peace! God bless you all and my family and I thank God for allowing us to have such a wonderful doctor to take care of us!*

*Barbara Kelley Bracken  
Kelley Bracken Rainey*

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**Barbara K. Bracken** - August 24, 2014 at 07:38 PM

KM

“ *Once a week uncle John and his sister aunt Geraldine would come visit their sister Audrey who is my grandmother and Audrey and Geraldine would cook lunch but both had their own style of cooking so there would always be two of every dish(esp. The okra) on the table and uncle John thought me to mix them together so we wouldn't have to choose who cooked them better*



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**krystal mahon** - August 24, 2014 at 07:15 PM

DM

“ My deepest sympathy to the Holliday family. Dr. John Holliday was our first doctor, while we were growing up in Travelers Rest, SC; he was an excellent physician and kind spirited to our family. We will cherish his memory; all of you are all in our prayers.

Sincerely,  
Diane Rodgers Masters

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**Diane R. Masters** - August 24, 2014 at 06:34 PM

PN

“ Paula Mangones & David Neveleff purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dr. John H. Holliday.



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**Paula Mangones & David Neveleff** - August 24, 2014 at 06:24 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. John H. Holliday.



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August 23, 2014 at 11:52 PM

LL

“ *Holiiday family,  
Your father was a great man and doctor. He will be missed. Sorry  
for your loss.  
The Kay girls,  
Libby  
Lorie  
Lisa*

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**lorie lopez** - August 23, 2014 at 02:14 PM

DA

“ *Once upon a time, John & Ilse were hiking with the Greenville  
Natural History Association when Ilse made a wrong turn and got  
lost. Nobody missed her until after lunch when John said, "I'm ready  
for my cake now. Where's Ilse?" We did a brief search and found  
her and John's cake in a short while.  
Don & Jean Arthur*

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**Don Arthur** - August 23, 2014 at 10:08 AM

JJ

“ *Dear Holiday family, Our sympathy to you in the loss of your  
husband and father. He was such an integral part in the Travelers  
Rest community and served the people of the area with compassion  
and skill. What a heritage of caring and active partipation he leaves.*

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**Jimmy and Norma Jones** - August 23, 2014 at 09:24 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for  
the family of Dr. John H. Holliday.*



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August 22, 2014 at 05:32 PM