

# Dr. Elbert P. Tuttle, Jr.

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## Obituary for Dr. Elbert P. Tuttle, Jr.

A memorial service for Dr. Elbert P. Tuttle, Jr. will be held Monday, April 23 at 11:30 a.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church, 634 W. Peachtree St., NW, Atlanta., the Revs Geoffrey M. St.J. Hoare, rector.

Dr. Tuttle dedicated his life to the teaching of medicine and the care of his patients, some of whom he served for more than 30 years. He was a leader in the treatment of chronic renal disease and a pioneer in the development of kidney dialysis. He spent his life trying, in his own words, to figure things out.

Elbert, known as Buddy or Tut for most of his life, was born in 1921, in Ithaca, NY. He was the son of Sara Sutherland Tuttle and renowned civil rights jurist, Judge Elbert Parr Tuttle, and brother to Jane Tuttle Harmon. The Tuttle family moved to Atlanta in 1923, and Elbert became one of the Buckhead Boys, graduating N. Fulton High School as class Valedictorian. He attended Princeton University, graduating Phi Beta Kappa in 1942. Following his service in the United States Marine Corps, he earned his M.D. from Harvard University in 1951.

Elbert was married to Virginia Ginny Bauer Tuttle for 58 years. They moved to Ansley Park in 1956, where they resided until Ginnys death in 2010.

Dr. Tuttle was on the faculty of Emory at Grady Memorial Hospital from 1956 until he retired in 1992. He was the first Division Director of Renal Disease and became one of the longest tenured members of the Emory faculty at Grady.

Elbert Parr Tuttle Jr. passed away peacefully at the age of 90 on March 18, 2012 with his family at his side.

Elbert is survived by his children Guy, David, Jane, Beth and Richard Tuttle; and four grandchildren Katie, Maggie, Amy and Jimmy. In lieu of flowers the family asks that gifts in memory of Dr. Elbert P. Tuttle, Jr. be made to the National Kidney Foundation, National Kidney Foundation Finance Department 30 East 33rd St. New York, NY 10016, [www.kidney.org/support](http://www.kidney.org/support) or to The Open Door Community, 910 Ponce de Leon Ave., Atlanta, GA 30306, [www.opendoorcommunity.org](http://www.opendoorcommunity.org).

Arrangements by Grissom-Clark Funeral Home, 227 East Lake Dr., S.E. (at Memorial Dr). [www.grissom-clarkfh.com](http://www.grissom-clarkfh.com) 404-373-3191.

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### GUEST BOOK

I worked with Dr. Tuttle for over 30 years at DCI. He was one of the most dedicated doctors I have ever met. He loved his patients and always had a kind word to say about them. He was so smart and was always thinking of some new idea for the future. He will be truly missed. My thoughts and prayers to his children and grandchildren.

- Diana Mangum

Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

- Leslie Hoyer

Guy, Just wanted to share with you how sad I am about your father. You and I worked together in 1978-9 at Servidyne. Your dad had my friend Karen as a kidney transplant patient and took very good care of her. He was always special to me because she lived to be 65. I am so sorry for you and your family's loss. Karen told me about meeting your mom when they were both in the hospital at the same time. She was really special too. Your dad couldn't have done it without her. Warm regards, Sadie Johnson

- Sadie Johnson

reported in Industry Week magazine, the dnimnaot operations strategy of US manufacturers has been Just-in-time (JIT) inventory control or lean operations.a0 Although producers have benefited greatly from these

- Maria

'Tut' was the ideal role model for a young physician and the embodiment of sacrifice and dedication to his fellow man, regardless of color or creed. When told I had received a year's military deferment for another year's training, he said "Tell 'em you'll be one of my renal fellows...I'll find the money somewhere." And he did... With utmost respect and deepest condolences to his family...

- Michael Shulman, MD