



James Rorie

May 15, 1945 - May 15, 2005

James L. Rorie was born in Albemarle, North Carolina on May 15, 1945, to James W. Rorie and Raddie Ewing Rorie. James attended Kingville Elementary and High School of Albemarle and graduated second in his class in 1963. Dr. Rorie attended North Carolina Central University in Durham, North Carolina where he received his BS Degree. He did summer studies at the University of Northern Carolina did post graduate work at Columbia University in New York City He received his medical degree from S. U. N. Y. Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn, New York, after medical school he did his four year residence in OB/GYN in Metropolitan Hospital in New York City He was Board Certified by the American College of OB/GYN and a member of the National Medical Association. Before becoming a doctor he taught at Kitrell Grade School in North Carolina, St. Rita's Parochial School, Bronx NY, Nyack High School Summer School Studies, New York, and Washington Irving Jr. High School, New York, where he also served as assistant track coach. Growing up he was an eagle scout. He was a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, served on the Board of Directors of the Black Filmmakers Hall of fame. the board of directors for Boys and Girls Club of Oakland. He love to travel. He was a devoted brother, father, and friend he leave to mourn a daughter Raina Nicole Rorie, a son James Kahlil Rorie, brother elder Glen Rorie of Washington DC a sister Eleanor Harris of Wadesboro, North Carolina, a sister Shirley Rorie Thompson (Rev. Lee Thompson, Sr.), Sleepy Hollow, NY, and a brother Bobby (Pamela) Rorie of Kensington, MD a foster sister

Vangie Ewing of Albemarle, NC, William "Wink" Baity, Bowie, Maryland, a close friend of 40 years, medical staff of 10 years Ethel Ransom and Sharon Allen-Coleman of 17 years, an uncle, aunt, niece, nephews relatives and a host of friends, associates and colleagues.

Tribute Wall

RV

“ My heart was so sadden when I heard about Dr Rorie. What a fine gentlemen!!!!. I was a RN at Metropolitan Hospital in the ER 1976. He was kind, brilliant and soft. My biological sisters who have gone to be with the Lord loved him. We had much clean fun!!!! Wow. A stupendous African American obstetrician privileged to know. I'm so sorry. You have my condolence.

Roslyn Lawrence Veggacado - March 11, 2023 at 06:41 PM

SA

“ I was saddened to hear of Dr. Rorie's passing away. He was my OBGYN since high school. He delivered both of my girls who are ten years apart. I had complications after the delivery of my youngest daughter, and through Dr. Rorie's knowledge and humility, he sought a second opinion and together it spared me from needing a blood transfusion and a surgery. I'm very thankful to him and still miss him greatly.

sandy - December 17, 2021 at 01:50 PM

MD

“ I am so sorry to have learned of Dr. Rorie's passing. He delivered my daughter on March 26, 1983 and did an amazing job with a difficult birth. When I looked at her birth certificate today, I wanted to thank him again, thirty-three years later. My daughter has two beautiful children who would not be here but for him. Please know that your beloved family member is never forgotten and lives on through the lives of the many he has brought into this world.
Martha J. Dunham
Pleasant Hill, CA

Martha Dunham - April 29, 2016 at 02:26 PM

RB

“ I have the fondest memories of Dr. Rorie. I was his patient back in 1983-1984 when I was pregnant with my now 30 year old son. Dr. Rorie was a caring, enthusiastic, and knowledgeable doctor. He had the most appealing way of speaking with his southern drawl, that put you at ease. One day, while I was working at a local hospital in Berkeley, I saw him on the unit I was working as a Unit Coordinator. I'd not seen him in over 20 years, since having my son. Coincidentally, my son was there to take me to lunch. I greeted him, shook his hand, and introduced him to my son. We had a good laugh as he told us how young he was back then, and that he still had "milk on his breath" back then! I heard of his passing only recently, and was saddened by the news. My condolences to his family and friends. The world lost a truly caring and skilled physician. RIP Dr. Rorie!

Rene Bailey - April 18, 2015 at 03:23 PM