



# David Ashby Whiting



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**D**avid Ashby Whiting, MD aged 86, renowned dermatologist and expert in alopecia, died peacefully at his home on February 19, 2018, surrounded by his loving family. Born and educated in South Africa followed by the United Kingdom, David qualified as a medical doctor at age 22; he and his family relocated to Dallas in 1977. David's professional life mirrored that of his personal life with a zest for learning, a quick wit, and an amazing depth of understanding and intellectual curiosity. As a practicing dermatologist much loved in the community, he amassed a sizable curriculum vita, and over his lengthy career achieved international recognition while earning 10 medical degrees and qualifications from three different countries including a PhD. He was an active member of the medical and academic community until the age of 86—attending and presenting at conferences, editing, reviewing, and publishing scientific books and over 115 peer reviewed articles and book chapters. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather. He was married to his soul mate, Harriet, for 45 years. Between them, they brought five children to the marriage: three from his prior marriage and two from hers. He loved and treated them all equally. He was gregarious, witty, quick with a pun. He never met someone with whom he couldn't talk and laugh. Jazz, dancing, theatre, classical music, fine wine, and bridge with close friends filled his free hours with his beloved wife Harriet. He was loved by many and will be sorely missed. His memorial service will be held at 1:30 pm on Thursday February 22nd, at Stern Chapel at Temple Emanuel, 8500 Hillcrest Ave, Dallas, TX, 75225. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the North American Hair Research Society (<http://nahrs.org/OpportunitiesForSupport.aspx>) or the SPCA of Texas (<https://www.sPCA.org/>) (David loved dogs.)



## Tribute Wall

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**Theodore J Daly, Md** posted:

Dr. Whiting was a mentor to me early in my career as a Dermatologist interested in hair loss. He was the first to describe Chronic Telogen Effluvium among his many other accomplishments. He always had a smile and time to talk to a young Doctor interested in hair. He also had a great way of explaining things, especially why some people thought of hair issues in a different way, and why they were sometimes wrong! I loved that about him and enjoyed his antics and lectures. He was someone I always liked to chat with at meetings as he was unpretentious while also being a leading authority. He will be sorely missed by me as well as by the academic community. God bless you, Dr. Whiting!

October 13 at 3:50 PM



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